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Marilyn May Anderson Hunwick entered Eternal Life on February 17, 2017 at the age of 86.

Marilyn was born on September 2, 1930 to Gustaf and Bertha Anderson. Her family traveled from Sweden to Nebraska. They were active members of their local Lutheran church where Marilyn was baptised as a child.

Marilyn graduated from high school at a young age, and attended Weber State University in Utah. She was a member of the La Dianaeda Social Club, and graduated with honors. Marilyn received a B.A. in Early Childhood Education from San Francisco State University, and studied for her M.A. in Religious Education at Berkeley Baptist Divinity School.

It was in seminary that she met her future husband, The Reverend Lynn Hunwick. They were married at Grace Baptist Church in San Jose, California, during a candlelight service, surrounded by a loving family and supportive friends. Shortly after that, they moved to Palo Alto, where her husband, Lynn, was a graduate student at Stanford University, and a Stanford University Chaplain .

Marilyn and her husband worked in India for ten years with American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Their adventure began as they traveled across the North Atlantic Ocean on the RMS Queen Mary. Marilyn gave birth to her three children in India. She was a consummate hostess, organizing Christian events, conferences, mission retreats, and she enjoyed entertaining Catholic Sisters, who worked for a local Catholic mission.

Upon returning to Palo Alto, Marilyn worked for United Campus Christian Ministry, at Stanford Memorial Church, until her retirement. She was a CCIS President at Stanford Bechtel International House, where she established a program for foreign wives and their



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children. Marilyn hosted countless Stanford Foreign Students throughout her years in Palo Alto.

Marilyn loved genealogy, and published two books chronicling her Swedish family history, dating from the 1600's. She enjoyed her visits with Gerard Bennet of Rosendals Slott Castle in Sweden, where her ancestors had lived and worked. Marilyn and Lynn were members of the Palo Alto Sister Cities Neighbors Abroad, and Honorary members of the Hunwick Cricket Club in England. Their wanderlust never ceased, and after their retirement, they continued to enjoy touring England, Europe, Sweden and Asia.

Marilyn is remembered for her deep devotion and love for her family and it's historical roots. She lovingly volunteered her time to Christian charities in her church and in her community. She was known for her intelligence and her compassionate Christian values and principles.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Lynn, her brother, Harold Anderson, her children, Elizabeth Hunwick, Brian (Sita Wendroff) Hunwick, Keith (Sheryl Kendall) Hunwick, her grandchildren, Marc MacDonald, Bradley (Nicon) MacDonald, Chloe Hunwick, and great grandchildren, Connor MacDonald, Kaylee Mae MacDonald, Maxwell Remington MacDonald and Angelina Marie MacDonald

A Memorial Service and Reception for family and friends has been held in Palo Alto. A private Catholic Committal Service, officiated by Deacon Dominick Peloso for the family, was held at Skylawn Funeral Home and Memorial Park in San Mateo, California. Memorial donations in honor of Marilyn, may be made to Ecumenical Hunger Project in Palo Alto.

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