



# Muriel Cordell Thompson

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**B**orn November 8, 1920 a resident of Sunnyvale, California Muriel transitioned on February 8, 2024 of natural causes.

Muriel was born in Newark, New Jersey, to Sarah Elisabeth Allen Blanks and Thornton Herbert Blanks. She was the eldest of eight and is survived by her youngest brother Leonard Blanks. She graduated in 1939 from Barringer High School where she

had participated in: hockey, science club and the Athenaeum (yearbook) Board it was noted that she had, “A twinkle in her eye, a saucy little nose, and always full of mischief,

wherever she goes.” Muriel was always well liked and began serving the Lord at a young age when attending Bethany Baptist Church. It was during those formative years

that her love of God blossomed, a flame that would guide her for a lifetime. Muriel enjoyed mentoring beginning at the YWCA and taught many to pray, design, and care

for family. She had the gift of hospitality.

The story of Muriel and Robert D. Thompson began amidst the whirl of a USO dance in 1945. He was in the Navy, and on January 26, 1946 they began a remarkable journey together as husband and wife - a journey that spanned seventy-six (76) years filled with children, careers, support, and love for each other.

Active members in every church they called home, Muriel and Bob’s faith was not just a belief but a vibrant part of their lives. She would often wheel her young children to

prayer services in a red wagon, imparting the timeless value of faith and the power of prayer. Muriel loved music and enjoyed singing praises to the Lord. As her memory



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faded she often just said “Praise the Lord!” She was an active member of Peninsula Bible Church for over 40 years. After a move to Fresno, California to provide more care

Robert transitioned to heaven in June of 2022, leaving behind a legacy of love and faith.

Muriel wore many hats throughout her vibrant life - a designer, a tailor, a beloved school community liaison, and gold-bonding in the fledgling semiconductor industry. Yet,

it was her role as the director of the Crisis Pregnancy Center now known as Real Options Obria Medical Clinics, located throughout the Bay Area. What began as a modest operation in downtown Mountain View, along with Marian Recine, blossomed

into a beacon of hope for countless women. With a heart full of compassion, Muriel guided, taught, and nurtured, always directing those in need towards the solace of prayer and the wisdom of the Bible.

One of the many things we will miss is her annual birthday calls. Muriel would always take a moment to sing “Happy Birthday” to family and friends, always leading

with her favorite verse: This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it.

On Tuesday, February 8, 2024, Muriel went to be in the presence of the Lord at the age of 103. She is survived by her children: Robert and Tana Thompson, Rhoda Parhams, Sarah Blanks, Roger and Brenda Thompson, Sheila Thompson-Berry; her 11

grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews throughout the country.

You are invited to attend funeral services on March 15, 2024, at noon, Skylawn Memorial Park Highway 92 and Skyline Blvd. San Mateo, CA.

OR

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Instead of flowers please make donations in Muriel's name to: Real Options Obria

Medical Clinics: <https://www.friendsofrealoptions.net/ways-to-give/>



## Tribute Wall

**Muriel Cordell Thompson**



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Thompson family.



March 12 at 6:15 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Muriel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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