



Olivia "Maxine" Costa Santos

September 14, 1919 - September 28, 2016

Olivia "Maxine" Costa Santos passed away on September 28, 2016. Maxine was born September 14, 1919 to parents Vericmo and Frances Costa in Fort Jones on the family ranch. Maxine lived in the Azores with her grandmother until she was 12 years old, and she returned back to California.

Maxine graduated from Fort Jones High School in 1940, and later graduated from Healds Business College in Sacramento with an accounting certificate. On December 5, 1959 Maxine married Joseph Santos.

Maxine kept the books for the family ranch for most of her life and was known for always feeding anyone who came to their home. Maxine was known for her love of baking and enjoyed spending time in the kitchen teaching her grandchildren to cook. She was an avid canner and seamstress in addition to helping her husband and brother Arland run the family ranch. Maxine loved to garden and was always willing to share the product of her toils with friends and family. Maxine loved flowers. Her flower gardens that she grew each summer were her pride and joy. She had a green thumb with flowers and could even get poinsettias to bloom in July. Maxine was best known for being a hard worker.

Maxine was a member of Siskiyou County Cattlewomen for over 50 years. In 2001, Maxine, along with three other women, were honored as the first

Pioneer Beef women from the Siskiyou County Cattlewomen's Association. The award is given to women that have dedicated more than 25 years of service to the beef cattle industry in Siskiyou county. Their dedication to the cattle industry is seen in many different forms, including cattle management, farming and other day to day ranch activities. Maxine especially enjoyed working in the Cattlewomen's Sandwich booth at the fair each summer. Maxine also served as an Etna 4-H community leader for 2 years with her husband.

Maxine is survived by her daughter Caroline Luiz (Joe) of Fort Jones; step-daughter Carla Loring (Mike) of Longview, WA; grandchildren Nicole Stevens (Ross), Keri Luiz, Elyse and Natalie Loring; and great grandchildren Tylinn and Oakley Loring, Mason Stevens, and many nieces and nephews scattered throughout CA, OR, WA and MA. She was predeceased by her parents Vericmo and Frances Costa, husband Joe Santos, brother Arland Costa, and sisters Sylvia Marx and Mary Ferreira.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Fort Jones with a recitation of the rosary beginning at 12:30 p.m. Interment will follow in Fort Jones Cemetery. The family would like to thank caregiver Gwen Robinson who has been helping with her care for the past five months. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Madrone Hospice or another charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Fort Jones Catholic Cemetery

Eastside Road
Fort Jones, CA 96032

Previous Events

Rosary

OCT 7. 12:30 PM (PT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
101 Carlock Street
Fort Jones, CA 96032

Memorial Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 7. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Al & Renee Ernst & Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Olivia "Maxine" Costa Santos.*



Al & Renee Ernst & Family - October 05, 2016 at 11:33 PM

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“ *I am torn that I can't be there for Aunt Maxine's service. Caroline I know how difficult it is to lose your parents especially ones mother. Aunt Maxine always made me laugh. She was generous and I smile remembering her giving Uncle Joe a hard time. Your family and parents were a blessing to my childhood. My prayers are with you and my heart is heavy.*

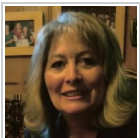
*Love,
Al Ernst*

Alfred Ernst - October 05, 2016 at 10:43 PM

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“ *Caroline, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember the summer times when your Mom would be on the tractor. She was such a hard working lady!*

Rebecca - October 05, 2016 at 06:58 PM



“ *A very sweet lady, I met her when I was a girl. She was very devoted to her church and family. I will miss seeing her walking across Hwy 3 over to see Carolyn. Bless your family with this loss.*
Vonita Hicks Bishop

Vonita Bishop - October 05, 2016 at 02:39 PM