

Wilma F. Hulbert

July 23, 2020



Wilma F. Hulbert passed away peacefully Thursday, July 16, 2020 in her home from natural causes. She was born Wilma Wells Feike on December 8, 1925 in Portland, Oregon. She graduated from Jefferson High School and went on to Oregon State University where she received a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics. She joined the Alpha Chi Omega sorority while at OSU. She was proud to have recently received her 75-year member pin from them. She married John Read Hulbert Jr. in Portland in 1947. They moved to Crescent City in 1950 where they enjoyed many friendships from the Elks, playing bridge, and community projects. They lived on Cooper Street until 1958 when they moved to the home they had built on Pebble Beach Drive where she lived until her death. She loved that location!

She divorced in 1974 and then married Drexel Swanson in 1983 until his death in 1997. In 1999 she developed a loving relationship with Ray Schach that started over their joint love of dance and travel. That continued until Ray passed in 2006.

Shortly after moving to Crescent City Wilma joined the Women's Club and remained an active member. Early on she got involved with bowling and was actively involved for over 60 years. She was a key figure in

supporting youth bowling, Special Olympics, various leagues and was an officer for the California Women's 500 Club for many years. She loved to play bridge and played on a regular basis with many friends.

Wilma lived by positivity and the Disney adage, "If you do not have anything nice to say about someone, do not say anything." Much to the benefit of her family and neighbors, she was a multi-decade champion in baked goods contests at the Del Norte County Fair. Fortunately, her daughter Donna and granddaughter Collien shared her love of baking and continue her legacy! To satisfy her taste for good food and friends, Wilma made the weekly trip to Hiouchi Café for her favorite eggs Benedict with extra sauce and lots of chatter with the staff. She loved to share her view of the ever changing Pacific Ocean from her kitchen table, where she recently mastered her skills of using a Kindle reader. The world could use many more people like Wilma.

Wilma was preceded in death by her spouses (JR Hulbert, Drexel Swanson & Ray Schach) and son Clint. She is survived by son Greg (Sallie), daughters Dee Seward (Skip) and Donna Mitchell along with 12 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

No services will be held. A small family gathering will be held when possible at some point in the future to spread her ashes in the ocean in front of her house.

Cremation was handled by Wier's Mortuary. Please sign the family's online guest book at www.wiersmortuary.com . Memorial contributions may be made to Del Norte Senior Center. Go to www.delnorteseniorcenter.org, select "Support Us," scroll to "Monetary Donations" and click the "In Memory of Wilma Hulbert" button, or mail to: Del Norte Senior Center, 1765 Northcrest Drive, Crescent City, CA 95531.