



## Irene Josephine Kalla

February 14, 1930 - October 12, 2022

Irene J. Kalla, loving mother and grandmother, passed away on October 12th, 2022 at the age of 92 in Reedley, California.

Irene was born on February 14, 1930 in Circle, Montana, to Christian and Christina Schmitt. After high school, Irene moved to Seattle where she met and later married William V. Kalla Sr. Sometime after the birth of their son, William V. Kalla Jr. the new family moved to Orcas Island where they started an electrical company. After the death of her husband in 1964, Irene held a few different jobs but the one that she spoke about most often was her job as a Controller for Rosario Resort on Orcas Island. In everything that she did, whether as a real estate agent, CPA, bookkeeper, or mother, she did with her whole heart.

In 1990, Irene moved to Kingsburg, California to help take care of her granddaughters. She was an active member of her church and eventually became the choir director at First Lutheran Church, in Dinuba. Irene is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Rosy; granddaughters Rachel (Friesen) and Cameron (Rogers); great-grandchildren Jacob, Liam, Noah, Kaelen, and Bridgette; and many other family members that will miss her dearly.

A graveside service for Irene will be held at 11:00 am on November 4th, at the

Kingsburg Cemetery and will be followed with a reception/ Lunch in the Fireside Room at Concordia Lutheran Church in Kingsburg.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Previous Events

## Graveside

NOV 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Kingsburg Cemetery  
12782 E. Clarkson Avenue  
Kingsburg, CA 93631