

## Jean Holderby Ihde (1924 - 2016)

### Obituary

Jean Holderby Ihde

July 18, 1924 - February 20, 2016



In loving memory of Jean Holderby Ihde, age 91, who passed away peacefully February 20, 2016, at Desert Regional Hospital in Palm Springs, surrounded by her family. Jean was born to Jean Francis Laidley and Bertie McIntosh on July 18, 1924, in Richmond, Virginia. She was raised in Barstow, California where her father worked for the Santa Fe Railroad. As a young woman, she enjoyed riding the train with her sister Edith back to Virginia each summer and going to the horse races at Santa Anita race track. After graduating from Barstow High School, where she excelled in track and field, Jean attended Mercy School of Nursing in San Diego and earned her RN degree. While in San Diego, she met her future husband, Ralph H. Ihde, who was in the US Navy. The couple settled in Barstow and later Apple Valley where they raised three daughters. While Ralph worked as a post master, Jean was a foster mother for over 30 infants for San Bernardino County Social Services. Jean was also a long-time member of the Third Order of St. Francis. She is survived by her daughters Sandra Cude (Jesse), Janet Ihde MD, and Shirley Barnett (Steve), as well as six grandchildren: namely, Jesse, Michael, Kelly, Craig, Kayla and John and two great grandchildren, Sierra and Violet. She is also survived by her sister, Edith Ewing, and niece Patricia Ouimette. Graveside services will be held at Mt. View Cemetery in Barstow.

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