## A sad note

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Hi All,

I am sorry to tell you that Pat Astier passed away yesterday. Pat was in her mid 80's. She was a superb bridge player who had a multitude of partners including Ruth Aronsohn, Helen Galnick, Pat Stein, Nahid Mahdavi, Arlene Traub Simon, et. al. They all always wanted to play with Pat because they became winners a large majority of time. She was born and raised in the Rancho Santa Fe area. As a young woman she moved to France and there met a wonderful Frenchman, Jean Louis. They married and lived in France and Italy before migrating back to the US. She lived in the Rancho Santa Fe house she grew up in until her final days. Pat and Jean Louis were a terrific bridge pair. They played the Precision system that they were the only ones who could easily understand it. Jean Louis was a stone carver and if you were invited to their home you would have seen a huge array of stone carvings decorating their home. Jean Louis passed away 10+ years ago. Pat is survived by two sons and two daughters and a number of grandchildren.

Pat was a wonderful person with a huge group of friends. She had been in failing health for the last few months and took some nasty falls. BUT....she was always back at the virtual bridge table; many times playing twice or more on a given day. She was good, very good!!!!! She amassed about 1000 master points. My experience with Pat is that above everything else, SHE WAS A LADY, A VERY FINE LADY. She will be missed.

No arrangements have been made public. Her home address is:

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