Joan C. Erskine 10 July 1938 - 5 May 2013



Joan C. Erskine, 74, passed away on Sunday, May 5, 2013, at Waccamaw Community Hospital, Murrells Inlet, SC, with her husband, Alan, and daughter, Heather, by her side. Joan had fought several different debilitating medical problems during the past 8 years, but always maintained a fighter's perspective and a positive outlook.

She was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and moved with her parents to San Francisco at a very early age. Joan attended The Mission Dolores School, Notre Dame High School, UC Berkeley (B.A.), and the University of San Francisco (M.A.). Joan was a dedicated member of the San Francisco Unified School District for 40 years, serving as a teacher and mentor to elementary and junior high school students. She taught for 3 additional years at The Quarry Lane School in Dublin, and was instrumental in helping them achieve state accreditation. She met Alan, her beloved husband of 39 years, while he was stationed at Hamilton AFB near Novato, CA. She is survived by her husband, who resides in Bemus Point, NY, and Murrells Inlet, SC, according to the seasons, and daughter, Heather, who resides in the greater Boston area.

Joan's greatest moments in life were teaching children and relishing in the joy of her family. She also enjoyed being involved in activities at the 129th RQW, and brought several of her school classes to visit the unit. Joan loved her numerous rescued pets, painting ceramics, traveling to new places, and her winters in South Carolina.

Donations can be made to the American Red Cross or your local animal shelter.