



## Frances Marian Scelzi

August 7, 1921 - July 15, 2015

Frances Marian Scelzi (Yenger/DeWitt) passed away in Saint George, UT on July 15, 2015. She was born in Fresno, CA on August 7, 1921. God will keep her happy for us.

Early on Frances worked for the Visalia newspaper, covering social news for Exeter. Later Frances had a fulfilling career as an Inventory Management Specialist, with the Department of the Air Force at McClellan AFB. For over 37 years Frances was an enthusiastic member of her Airstream club, Nor Cal Unit WBCCI. She loved going on and leading Airstream rallies. She treasured her memories of dancing, parades, tours and friendships, especially those with her long term companion Ben Barrow. She was very proud of her ability, as a single woman, to hook up her trailer and take to the road.

Frances enjoyed her family and friends, traveling, pulling slot machine handles, reading, cooking, crafts, and card games. She loved and spoiled her dog, Charlie Brown. She loved life and had the energy and desire to be involved in lots of fun activities, including her garden. In more recent years she enjoyed sharing her memories, "of the good old days".

Frances was one of eleven siblings, nine surviving to adulthood. She is survived by: her brother, Richard Dewitt and sister, Rebecca Hackney. Her surviving children are: Marie Gravelle, Barbara Nielsen (Gilliam, McLagan),

Frances Mullennix, and her step son Jerry Scelzi. She leaves behind many wonderful grandchildren and great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and their families. She always enjoyed the support and friendship of her in laws. Donald Russler, her only surviving brother in law, remained a good friend for over 70 years.

She was preceded in death by both of her husbands: John Robert Yenger and Joseph Alfred Scelzi; her parents Adolphus Marion DeWitt and Grace Mae Gibson. She raised four Yenger daughters, her oldest daughter Mary Elizabeth Yenger Tanaka passed away last year. She was a true Californian, a member of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

A memorial service will be held at The Boice Funeral Home, Clovis, CA at 10:30 am on Saturday, August 8, 2015.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 8. 10:30 AM (PT)

Boice Funeral Home

308 Pollasky Ave

Clovis, CA 93612

<http://www.dignitymemorial.com/boice-funeral-home/en-us/index.page>

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ *David Gravelle and Kirk Gearhart purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Frances Marian Scelzi.*



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**David Gravelle and Kirk Gearhart** - August 07, 2015 at 04:48 PM

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“ *With Love, Dwayne and Betty purchased the Fair est of All for the family of Frances Marian Scelzi.*



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**With Love, Dwayne and Betty** - August 01, 2015 at 02:19 PM

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“ *In October 1952 I met my Best Friend, Barbara Yenger, and her family. I was so impressed by how glamorous Frances was. She was always dressed so beautifully and was so sophisticated. Because Frances was a working mom, we didn't have much of a connection on a personal level while I was young, but I grew to know her better in later years. I admired her zest for living a full and active life. Every time we saw each other, she would be so tickled remembering when Barbara and I were teenagers and it pleased her so much that we have continued our long relationship. Frances will always be an inspiration to me and everyone for her long full life and showing us how to grow old with grace.*

*With Love, Betty Smith Zajic*

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**Elizabeth Zajic** - August 01, 2015 at 02:06 PM

JS

“ *Frances was a true lady and leaves a void in my heart that will never be forgotten. I will miss her. Jerry and Susan Scelzi*

jerry scelzi - July 21, 2015 at 02:06 PM

 David Gravelle

“ *We'll think of you fondly and often. With love, David and Kirk*

David Gravelle - July 21, 2015 at 01:45 PM

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