

# MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

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# MESSENGER

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About the Cover - Beach Party Fun



Residents of Artesia Christian Home's Assisted Living community enjoyed a lively Beach Party this week, bringing the sunshine and sand right to our backyard! The event featured fun sensory games, including digging for hidden treasures in kinetic sand — a favorite among our residents for its soothing texture and playful surprises.

To help beat the heat, everyone sipped on refreshing piña colada mocktails, complete with tropical garnishes that made the afternoon feel like a day at the beach. The laughter, conversation, and cool treats made for a wonderful time of connection and summertime fun.



Even on the hottest days, our residents know how to make memories together — one beach ball, one mocktail, and one smile at a time!

Events like these remind us how important it is to create joyful moments that engage the senses and spark conversation. Whether reminiscing about past beach trips or sharing stories of family vacations, our residents found connection, laughter, and a little bit of paradise right here at home.

A Fresh Look for the Cottages at Artesia Christian Home



The cottages at Artesia Christian Home are looking better than ever thanks to the generous support of our wonderful community! This summer, each cottage received brand-new doors and security doors. This meaningful improvement made possible by the Artesia Christian Home Ladies Auxiliary. Their thoughtful gift not only enhances the beauty of our campus but also adds comfort, safety, and convenience for our residents.

We'd also like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to Tom Tuning for his generous donation of door sweepers, which he personally installed on every new door. His time, care, and attention to detail are deeply appreciated and reflect the spirit of service that makes ACH such a special place to call home.

These improvements have already brought smiles to many residents who are enjoying the fresh breeze through their new security doors and the added comfort of secure, well-fitted entries. Small updates like these make a big difference, creating a more welcoming, home-like environment that reflects the love and care our community is built upon.

Together, the kindness of the Ladies Auxiliary and Tom's helping hands remind us how powerful community support can be in making a lasting difference in the lives of our residents.



Born and raised in Egypt, Yvonne Daoud carried her culture, faith, and warmth with her throughout her life. After moving to the U.S., she became a devoted member of Archangel Michael Coptic Orthodox Church in Simi Valley, where her faith continued to flourish.

She built a lifelong career as a talented seamstress in the fashion industry, known for her skilled hands and artistic eye, but her greatest pride and joy has always been her family. Her three children, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, who bring light and laughter into her life. To know Yvonne is to know love, faith, and a heart forever devoted to her family.



Lee Wangerin is a proud U.S. Marine Corps Veteran and UCLA graduate who went on to build a successful career with the Federal Aviation Administration — a journey defined by discipline, dedication, and integrity.

A devoted member of St. Cyprian's Catholic Church, Lee's faith has always been at the heart of his life and continues to guide him every day. He enjoys sharing stories about his first trip to the Grand Canyon and can talk cars with anyone who shares his passion.

Lee's life is a testament to service, faith, and finding joy in the people and experiences that matter most.



Beth Reisner grew up in Iowa and earned her AA degree at Long Beach City College, and worked as a professor of interior design. She also brought her creative touch to Knott's Berry Farm, working in the costume department.

Don Reisner was born and raised in Bell, California, and spent his career as a skilled carpenter.

Together, they've shared a life rooted in faith as longtime members of Emmanuel Reformed Church. They raised three children, and now delight in their growing legacy of six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. In retirement, she enjoys making jewelry, while he has developed a love for computers. Proof that their creativity and curiosity continue to thrive.



Marjean Swann joined our community in August. She is a proud native of Sanborn, Iowa. With a master's in education, she dedicated her career to being a math and science teacher at Whitney High School.

A devoted member of New Life Community Church and the proud mother of three children, grandmother to eleven, and great-grandmother to six!

In her free time, she finds joy in the garden, singing church hymns, and expressing her creativity through painting. A warm cup of tea, a cookie, and a good country tune make her afternoons just right, especially while she follows her favorite tennis and volleyball matches on TV.



Loida Santos, CNA. Recently a discharged resident wrote a heartfelt letter to our Executive Director, recognizing Loida as an Outstanding CNA. In her message, the resident praised Loida's caring and understanding nature, her quick response to every need, and her constant smile and positive attitude. She shared that Loida made her stay at ACH truly pleasant and comfortable, and she deeply appreciated the compassion and attention she received.

Thank you, Loida, for going above and beyond to make our residents feel seen, valued, and cared for. Your dedication makes a lasting difference. We are so proud to have you on our team!



Josh De Luna, CNA. Josh has been recognized by several coworkers and supervisors for his exceptional work ethic and compassionate care. His gentleness and kindness with our residents truly stand out; from meeting their daily needs to taking the extra time to honor their personal preferences, like helping a resident with her makeup just the way she likes it.

This level of thoughtful, individualized care is what sets us apart here at ACH, and Josh embodies it beautifully. Thank you, Josh, for taking pride in your work and in our ACH culture. We appreciate your dedication and your willingness to go Above and Beyond and Then Some for our residents.



We were delighted to welcome Sherman & Ardelle Kredit to our community in August. Ardelle was born in Lynden, WA, graduated from Calvin College, and spent her career teaching at Valley Christian and caring for her home. Sherm was born in Harrison, South Dakota, is a proud Air Force Veteran, and retired as a Battalion Chief in the Fire Department.

Married for 63 years, they are devoted members of Bethany CRC and share a loving family of 3 children, 10 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren. She enjoys reading, gardening, puzzles, and playing dominos, especially with some chocolate nearby, along with hymns and The Sound of Music. He now spends his time restoring motorcycles, a passion that keeps him busy and smiling.



Born and raised in Artesia, Lucille Christoffels was deeply connected to her hometown, with family roots in the Artesia Reformed Church in Artesia. She later became a devoted member of Leisure World Church, where her faith remained central throughout her life.

Driven by compassion, she pursued a career as a registered nurse at Riverside County Hospital, dedicating herself to caring for others with kindness and skill. A proud Dodgers fan, she loved watching games and relaxing with audiobooks in her downtime.