



Resa Kaye King

October 25, 1959 - May 30, 2026

Resa K King, age 66, of Menlo Park, CA returned home to the Lord on Saturday, May 30, 2026 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. She was surrounded by loved ones at the time of her passing at Atherton Park Post-Acute in Menlo Park, CA. She was a beloved wife, mother, and cherished friend to many.

Born on October 25, 1959, in Los Angeles, CA to Lawrence W. Rink and Donna R. Strite, Resa faced numerous challenges in life from the beginning. Including hearing loss from birth and a diagnosis of Parkinson's in her late thirties. Despite all the challenges she faced, Resa remained cheerful and optimistic throughout her life and was an example of resilience and perseverance to all those she met.

She attended the University of San Francisco and received a degree in computer science. Of the numerous and varied jobs she would go on to have, one was a position at Scientific Microsystems in the 1980s, where she met - and later married - R. Clyde King. She lovingly took on the role of stepmother to Clyde's son, Darren, and later welcomed a son, Derek, and a daughter, Jessica, to the family.

Resa was known for her love of animals and nature. Pets were always a part of her life, thus also part of her family's life. She kept horses, snakes, birds, and the more usual cats and dogs. Her special fondness for horses and puffins (her favorite bird) created a bonding point for many friendships. In line with her interests, Resa became a San

Francisco Zoo docent and shared her knowledge of California flora, fauna, and history as a classroom educator. Moreover, her joy and zeal in sharing her passions with others lead to many adventurous outings with family and friends in the form of hikes in the redwood forests, camping, days at the beach, whale watching, and walks at the bay lands for bird watching.

Even more adventurous travels included a trip to Peru and going to Greece and Switzerland to visit her father when he lived abroad. She also got to make a special trip to Lourdes, France with the Knights of Malta as a malade for her Parkinson's.

While Resa was raised a christian, it was upon meeting Clyde that she started attending RCIA classes and got to know the Catholic faith. She became an on-fire convert and was actively involved at Church of the Nativity in Menlo Park. She formed many great and enduring friendships at church and the connected school. Resa held a job as receptionist at the rectory for many years. She partook in bible studies, prayer groups and enjoyed attending talks on the faith and prayer retreats. When her husband started going to evening masses during the week, she faithfully attended with him, where she was a welcoming and kind figure to fellow parishioners. Especially those who were also converts and those new to the area. Prayer remained a constant source of light during her life's trials. Even when her Parkinson's worsened to dementia, Resa remained faithful and trusting and kept up a nightly rosary with her daughter. To the end, people remarked on Resa's sweet smile and kind nature.

Resa leaves behind a lifetime of fond memories to her husband, Clyde; stepson and son Darren and Derek; daughter, Jessica; her older brother Joseph Rink; cousins Jennifer and Susan; and many more relatives, friends, and parish family.

A funeral mass will be celebrated for Resa King on Friday, June 12, 2026 at Church of the Nativity, 210 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025

Starting with a rosary said in her memory at 12:30 and the mass at 1pm. Followed by a reception for all family and friends at the church. Resa's remains will be privately interred in company of relatives at Holy Cross Cemetery, 1975 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park CA 94025

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Society of St. Vincent de Paul or St. Anthony's, or Catholic charity of choice

Upcoming Events

Rosary

JUN 12. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Church of the Nativity
210 Oak Grove Ave
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Memorial Mass

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Catholic Church of Nativity
210 Oak Grove Ave
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Tribute Wall

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Jennifer Irani - Yesterday at 11:04 PM

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“ Dear cousin Resa you will be very missed. I loved walking with you and learning about all the birds. Parkinson’s took so much of you away from me. But you’re resilience and strength was remarkable you were able to tolerate the deep brain stimulation surgery manage all the medications, and all the side effects from Parkinson’s with grace. I’m so grateful I got to spend time with you a few weeks ago and meet some of your wonderful friends. I enjoyed walking with you in the redwood forest, and I’ll never forget how special it was when you pointed out the birds and remember their names and all their details. Though always remember how you saying, Mary had a little lamb with Susy my sister, who was the closest cousin to you of all you looked at her with such trusting eyes and repeated every little line of that song I wish you didn’t have to struggle with so many things your whole life I remember when you were young and the hearing aids would make this loud buzzing sound and they would fall off your ears and they were big and clumsy and awful but you dealt with it all with grace Rest in peace, dear Resa



Jennifer Irani - Yesterday at 10:52 PM



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Menlo Park Funeral and Cremation Services - Yesterday at 09:28 PM