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The vote is in. The World's Best Mother, Patricia Connor Shroyer, will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She returned to her Heavenly Father on March 4, 2010 - one day before her 88th birthday.

Patricia was born on March 5, 1922, in Denver, Colorado, to Patrick and Grace Connor.

From the time she was seven years old, she lived in California. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a bachelor's degree in sociology in 1944. She was awarded a full-ride scholarship and was awarded membership to Phi Beta Kappa in her junior year.

She survived her three husbands - Dr. Frederick Shroyer, Dr. Henry Van Slooten, and Dr. Daniel Amneus.

She was a talented writer and had a great sense of humor.

She loved her family deeply.

She is survived by her only child, Madeline Shroyer Christophiades; son-in-law George Christophiades; and grandchildren Frederick Wells Christophiades, Patricia Julia Christophiades, and Daniel Connor Christophiades. We were all so thankful she was our mother and grandmother. One of her greatest legacies to her daughter was instilling the belief that she could do anything her father, Dr. Frederick Shroyer, could do.

Millions of thanks to Mountain Ridge Assisted Living in South Ogden, Utah, and Hospice of Utah for their wonderful and kind care of Patricia.

Patricia's first husband, Dr. Frederick Shroyer, used to say, "Death is a long sleep from which you awaken whenever someone thinks of you." If this is true, Mom, don't expect much rest in the decades to come! Safe journey, Mom! Private graveside services were held on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, in Decatur Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Zwick and Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur.

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