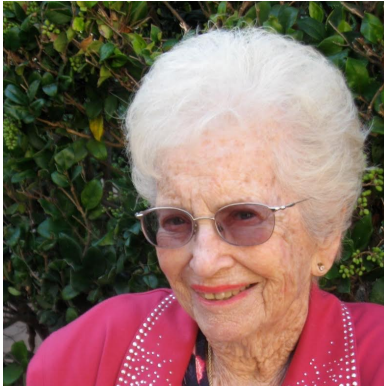


Annabelle Pope - 1926 – 2016



Annabelle Pope, the first MAFCA Executive Secretary (1966-1975) and Life Member (1977) of MAFCA passed away on February 4, 2016, four days shy of her 90th birthday. She is survived by her husband, George Pope, President in 1964-65 and also a Life Member. George and Annabelle joined MAFCA in 1959 and have been members for 57 years. They have been members of the Bakersfield, Pomona Valley, and Visalia Charter Oak A's Chapters. Annabelle served many officer positions in all of these chapters.

Annabelle served as Executive Secretary from 1966 to 1975. Annabelle handled all the membership functions (including 10,000 renewals in the month of January that included typing all membership cards individually), correspondence between MAFCA Directors, mailing MAFCA merchandise, and chairing the MAFCA booth at many of the MAFCA National Meets.

Together with George, she attended nine National Meets: 1964 Louisville, 1966 Albuquerque, 1968 Dallas, 1970 Milwaukee, 1972 Seattle, 1974 Long Beach, 1980 Reno, 1990 San Diego, and 2002, Riverside. They also attended many of the National Banquets.

Annabelle will also always be remembered as one of the hardy First Ladies of the H&P Not-So-Rapid Transit Bus Trip from Pomona, CA to the 1964 National Meet in Louisville.

Annabelle and George attended the Grand Opening of the MAFCA Museum at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI in 1913 to see their Huff & Puff.

Annabelle was also well known as a Model A "driver." She participated in any driving events at meets and often came away with a 1st Place Award. She will always be remembered as a great Model A Lady and she will be missed by all that knew her.

