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Was born in San Francisco, California on November 17, 1933 and passed away peacefully in her home on December 18, 2012 at the age of 79. She was born to Elizabeth Bird and Alfred Roysum. Gloria had one brother Ronald Roysum. She grew up in Reno, NV and attended the University of Nevada at Reno, where she met her future husband James Straight. They were married on August 22, 1954. They started their family and moved to Southern California. Gloria had always aspired to be a teacher so after marriage and having four children she continued college at Cal State University, Los Angeles, where she graduated in 1966. She began her teaching career at Jurupa Hills Elementary, Fontana, as a first grade teacher. She was also a Program Manager and District Resource Teacher and later taught 2nd grade and Kindergarten at North Tamarind Elementary. Gloria returned to college and earned a Master's degree in School Administration at Cal State San Bernardino in 1982. Gloria had a passion for literacy and began storytelling

as Mother Goose. She visited classrooms, libraries, children's bookstores and other pub