



## FLORA KOMES

Flora Springs Winery is named after two life-giving forces: the springs that flow unceasingly from the hills behind the winery and Flora Komes, the matriarch of the family.

Flora will celebrate her 99th birthday in November and don't even begin to imagine her as a decrepit old woman. Flora has a sparkle in her eye, a jaunt to her step and a mean game of dominoes. Flora will lure you into a domino game at the drop of a hat and then show no mercy whether you are one of her 3 children, their spouses, her 8 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren or just a friend!

Flora who was born in Honolulu, Hawaii in 1911 has always lived up to her name. She loves to garden and always has green plants thriving around her. She left Honolulu after her high school graduation to become a nurse. It was as a student at St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco that she met the love of her life on a blind date. Jerry Komes knew he met "the one" but Flora refused to marry him until she successfully graduated and had secured a nursing position. While she eventually gave up her career to raise their children, she is still a nurse at heart and it shows.



Jerry and Flora were quite a team. She was his greatest supporter and he was always quick to tell you that his accomplishments were not his alone but possible because of Flora. They were married 67 years when Jerry died at the age of 89.

If you have the good fortune to meet Flora, you won't soon forget her. And, if you want her secret to longevity, she'll say it is the Merlot... Flora Springs, of course!

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