

June 20, 2012

Sad note from Terry Derfield's brother Frank.

-- To all my Sisters' friends and colleagues:



It is with sadness that I have to report that my sister passed away yesterday at Mills Memorial hospital. We knew she had not long to live but we thought it would be months or at least weeks and were preparing for her stay at a comfort home. As I informed you before, one lung had failed completely and she was in much pain. Her morphine dosage had been increased .

My son Sean and his wife Erika, were with her when she passed. My other son Frankie came shortly after her death. Although I was undergoing medical treatment at the time and could not be with her during her final hours, I had spoken with her on the phone the night before., The staff at Mills was very caring and competent and I know her final hours were peaceful, She had previously indicated that she wished to be cremated and her ashes interned with our mother at Holy Cross cemetery in Daly City. These wishes will be fulfilled,

We will be having a memorial for her sometime in the future and all of her friends will be invited It will most likely be in Fair Oaks (Sacramento) We hope that many of you can attend and can once more talk of the glory days of Ice Capades and the adventures of the past. I know Terry would like that.

Frank Derfield (Son) and Family,

Please no flowers, but if you would like to offer something in her memory, a contribution to the American Cancer Society or to her favorite charity Saint Anthony's Dining room in San Francisco would be in order.,

PS Please inform Terry's other friends as I do not have a complete list.

Obit.

Theresa Elizabeth Derfield (Terry) born in 1928, passed away June 20 th 2012. She was an avid skater who performed in Ice Capades productions from 1947 to.1960. In her later years, she taught ice skating at various California ice rinks and served also as a skating Director. Her last skating gig was at Moscone Center Ice Skating rink in San Francisco. She retired from there at age 77. Many of her students went on to their own careers in Ice Shows. She loved skating and she enjoyed life. to its fullest (especially shopping in Hawaii) She will be sorely missed by her friends, relatives, and colleagues