

KISTENMACHER

CATHERINE KISTENMACHER
February 4, 1927 - October 3, 2008



It's so much fun to paint, I can hardly stand it!" - Catherine Kistenmacher
Catherine Kistenmacher
Burial
Kistenmacher
passed from this life on Friday, October 3, 2008. She had been a resident of El Paso since 1931 and was well known as a local artist and civic volunteer. Kitty graduated from The Texas College of Mines & Metallurgy Fine Arts. She met George G. Kistenmacher during her years in college and they were married in 1951. The couple had four children, Kathy Kistenmacher, Julie Kistenmacher, Karen Kistenmacher, and George Kistenmacher, Jr. For almost 30 years Kitty served in numerous leadership positions in the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, the American Association of University Women, the Texas Society of Professional Engineers Auxiliary, the Chi Omega Alumni Association and many Beauty El Paso campaigns. After her husband's death in 1990, Kitty became increasingly involved in El Paso's fine arts community. She served numerous terms as president of the El Paso Art Association and was also a past president of the International Association for the Visual Arts and the Rio Bravo Watercolorists. She was integral in establishing the International Museum of Art and for the past ten

years taught a popular class in experimental art techniques at UTEP's Center for Lifelong Learning. Kitty was profiled in The El Paso Times in 2001 and was inducted into the El Paso Commission of Women's Hall of Fame in 2007. In June 2008, a new display space at the El Paso Art Junction was named the Catherine Kistenmacher President's Gallery. Survivors include daughters, Kathy Mayer and her husband Scott of Abilene, Julie Fuller and her husband Gary of Dallas, Karen Kistenmacher of Charlotte, NC and son George Glen Kistenmacher Jr. and his wife Doris of El Paso. Dallas. Grandchildren are Diane Mayer of Lubbock, Monica Fuller of Houston, Stearns of Abilene, Daniel Mayer of Blaine Fuller of Baton Rouge, LA and Yvette Lucero of El Paso. Kitty had one great grandchild, James Robert Stearns of Abilene. Visitation will be held on Monday, October 6, 2008 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Harding-Orr & McDaniel Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church, 1340 Murchison, El Paso, TX 79902. Services entrusted to Harding-Orr & McDaniel Funeral Home, 320 Montana Ave., El Paso, TX 79902.

