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Ione Virus passed away Tuesday May 15, 2018 at the age of 90. Born March 31, 1928 in Madera, CA. Ione grew up in Santa Ana, CA, but spent several summers, as a little girl camping with her family near Bass Lake, while her father was quarrying rock for bridges and buildings at Yosemite at a nearby quarry.

Ione held several jobs in her early twenties working for several attorneys. After her son John was born, she decided to become a full-time wife and mother. She sold Avon and eventually became president of the Parent Teacher Association. Starting in 1968, Ione spent three years as the caretaker for the San Francisco Fly Casting Club on the Truckee River, near Glenshire. She loved working there, but eventually moved back to town and became a nurse's aid at Tahoe Forest Hospital. After a year she moved into a job as a physical therapy aid, where she stayed for eight years.

Her last job was a care taker for her mother, which she did for more than 20 years. She and her mother were extremely close and used the time to reconnect.

lone is survived by her son John and her niece Claudia Casteel and her family. lone is preceded in death by her mother and father, Leona and Max Hieber, her three brothers, Clayton, Max and Donald Hieber and her husband Glenn Virus. lone was a loving wife, mother, aunt and friend. She loved her life, her garden and her family. In her later years she enjoyed working in her garden and doing new things.

There will be a memorial service June 9, 2018 at 11:00 AM. It will be held at Sierra Bible Church.