## Interview With Barbara Shaw

## Chief Editor of "Glover's A Go Go" In-house Magazine at The Terraces of Los Gatos

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Why move to The Terraces?

"To downsize and be near our daughter Betsy who lives in Los Gatos," Barbara said. "Living in a smaller space is a challenge but we're getting used to it."

"I love people and I love to write. Being chief editor keeps me on my toes and fully connected with other residents and the community. I'm now back doing what I love—writing." She is a journalism major from the University of Nebraska.

Editor's note: This was my first tour of The Grove memory house and I was impressed. Beautiful décor, airy and modern with an incredible number of daily activities and programs to keep residents active and engaged.

I had to meet Barbara Shaw. After all, we writers have to stick together.

She's a former feature writer for the San Francisco Examiner and former ad agency executive. Her background in journalist and advertising is similar to mine, although I worked for the San Jose Mercury News.

Barbara, 82, and her husband Tom, 85, reside in the Grove, the new memory support community at *The Terraces*. She's sharp, charming and dresses like a fashion queen. After spending some time with her, I thought: "why is she here?"

It turns out that her husband Tom, 85, does have memory issues and he would not move to The Grove without her. Married for 58 years, they are inseparable. Both lived previously in the residential living units at *The Terraces*.

Tom was a starting quarterback at Stanford University in 1948. His brother George was an All-American football quarterback and played for the Baltimore Colts and three other NFL teams. Tom and Barbara are big 49er fans. Prior to moving 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  years ago to The Terraces, they lived in Lucas Valley in Marin for 43 years.

The Terraces of Los Gatos nine-acre campus features 175 Residential Living apartments, including 10 patio homes, 45 Assisted Living apartments, 16 Memory Support and 59 Skilled Nursing Care residences. For more information about The Terraces of Los Gatos, call 1-800.673.1982. Visit: theterracesoflosgatos.com.

