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Biography

Eleanor Flores, Author



Born and raised in Los Angeles, Eleanor Flores is the oldest of nine children. They all lived in a 2-bedroom loving home with her parents, Jerry and Celia. Thanks to Jack L. Wright, college advisor at Franklin High School, Eleanor received a four-year academic scholarship to Pepperdine University in Malibu. As fate would have it, in the dorms, she met her soulmate, Delmar L. Jose, Jr., this striking 6'-5" gorgeous kind man, who was the oldest of eight children, and also had earned an academic scholarship to Pepperdine.

Delmar was of the Quechan and Pima Tribe and lived on the Quechan Reservation in Winterhaven, CA, until he moved to Pepperdine in Malibu, also. Both Delmar and Eleanor left Pepperdine after two years due to a family emergency, were married, lived on the Quechan Reservation, and relocated to San Dimas, CA.

Sadly, Delmar passed away at age 43, and Eleanor feels blessed to continue to have close ties with his family. Her relationship with his two sisters led to the publication of her first book, *Bird Dance*, in 2019. Eleanor became a certified court reporter in 1992 and worked for the Los Angeles Superior Courts for over 25 years before retiring in 2024. Her core consists of her amazing daughter, Jena, who is a registered nurse, and her adorable grandson, Ethan. They both own her heart.

Eleanor enjoys spending time with her family and dear friends and writing books about captivating stories and people. A couple of years ago, one of her brothers, Jerry, mentioned his friend, Gustaaf Van Dalm, who has had quite a life story that he felt might make a good book. After meeting Gus and his wife Diana, she agreed that there was something unique about this man. Eleanor also felt many readers may relate to some of his life's events, or benefit from lessons learned, as Gus talks about his many adventures in his 84 years of living, and he is still going strong. *Rewind: Memoirs of Gustaaf Van Dalm* is his story and Eleanor's second book, published in late 2022.

She hopes you enjoy reading *Bird Dance* and *Rewind*, both books having accomplished the status of "#1 Best Sellers International" on Amazon. Eleanor plans to write more books and looks forward to meeting you at book signings, Native American Gatherings, and other events to be announced.