Arleen Hedberg Beckstrom

April 9, 1935 ~ April 28, 2016

Arleen Elizabeth Hedberg Beckstrom, age 81; Wife and sweet mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and friend died April 28, 2016 with her family around her. Born April 9, 1935 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Neils Gustav and Edith Elizabeth (Lisa) Ahleen Hedberg. She married her best friend Gordon McKell Beckstrom June 7, 1957 in the Salt Lake Temple. Arleen was a mother to five children, four girls and one boy that she loved dearly. Arleen enjoyed sewing, reading, gardening, shopping with her girls and spending time with her lunch bunch friends. Many describe her as one of the sweetest people they know. Whoever met her felt instantly loved. She always was serving others, even up until the end she would offer to come help you with anything. Her home was filled with many parties and showers as she loved to host and bring joy to others. She was sweet, optimistic, and happy. She often could not control her laughter as she was quick to find humor in most anything, including herself. Arleen was a hard worker and entrepreneur. She started several successful businesses, a wedding business and two cleaning businesses to help support her family. She also served in the church, which included two missions to Sweden, one at age 19, and later at age 62 with her husband, Gordon. After returning from Sweden they served three additional missions in Salt Lake. Arleen had an unwavering faith in God and the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Arleen is survived by her husband; Gordon, her children; Laurie Funston, Brock (Kristie) Beckstrom, Christy (Russ) Harris, Jane (Chris) Emery, LaNae Jensen, brother; Allen (Jan) Hedberg, 20 grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 12:00pm at Union 3rd Ward, 1535 E Creek Rd in Sandy. A viewing will be held on Friday from 6:00-8:00pm at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E Dimple Dell Rd in Sandy and on Saturday from 10:30-11:30 at the church.

A very special thanks to her two sweet caretakers Crista Emery and Gina Villacreses.

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