Pearl Jennie Raty

January 3, 1929 ~ April 3, 2019

We lost our Mother Pearl Raty on Wednesday April 3, 2019, suddenly with no warning. She was the glue that bound our family together. She raised my brother, sisters and I to be kind, honest, hard working, people. She taught us to care for others while maintaining our own self-value. She was directly responsible for setting at least my brother and I on our course forward through life and kept all of us afloat at one time or another. She instilled in us a sense of curiosity, wonder and a desire to experience the world and travel. The best mom a person could hope for.

She was an early flight attendant, an artist, educator (20 plus years at juvenile detention) a counselor and mentor to many, till the end.

You are missed already; your life, lessons and love will go on forever.

Love you Mom.

Pearl Jennie Raty, born Jan 3, 1929, passed April 3, 2019 she is preceded in death by her husband Larry Raty, infant son Richard and granddaughter Brittney Reese. She is survived by four children Cynthia (Van) Dunham, Tom, Robert and Melissa (Phil) Townsend, Seven magnificent grandchildren and nine beautiful great grandchildren. Pearl led a long and fruitful life. Military spouse, BA in Education with a Master's in Psychology nearly completing her PhD course work. She saw two children follow with Masters of their own, one completing a career in the Air Force and following her into Special Education.

She often told stories of sleeping in the orchards and star gazing while growing up in Payson, Utah. She spent part of her youth working as a life guard, model and later as Flight attendant for United Airlines. She met Larry at the U of U and the two were married, she bore 5 children. She and Larry with a varying number of children resided in Utah, Washington, North Carolina and Germany in service with the Army. She loved taking the kids for long drives often along the coast or Strawberry picking. She was active in the LDS church for most of her life. And even while no longer attending services continued to serve her community as a marriage counselor. She was proud of her service and recounted that she never lost a marriage.

The family gratefully acknowledges the support of Pearls in home care-givers: Claudine, Kim, Laura, and Heather.

A private family internment will take place at 10:00 am, Saturday, April 13, 2019 at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery, Sandy, Ut followed by a memorial service 11:00 am, at the Parkview LDS Chapel located at 9855 Eastdell Dr. Sandy, Utah.