Ruth Noreen Jentzsch Krupa

November 19, 1933 ~ April 16, 2018

Passed away peacefully April 16, 2018 at 84-years old surrounded by family, after a 39 year battle with Parkinson's Disease in Salt Lake City, UT.

Noreen was born on November 19th, 1933 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Born to Ruth Kingdon and Helmer Gerald Jentzsch (now deceased.)

She was predeceased by her first husband, James Wayne Andrews, married February 11th, 1952, sealed in the Salt Lake Temple, Salt Lake City, UT. Second husband, John J. Krupa, married June 17th, 1972 in Rhode Island.

She is survived by her 3 siblings, Gerald Jentzsch (Karen), Shirley Deane Jentzsch (Pat), Linda Webster (Rhue), 8 nieces and nephews, 6 children: Janelle Noreen Gugudan (Jimmy), James Wayne Andrews Jr. (Cindy), Cindy Joy Haver (Scott), Jennifer Lee Anderson Ballard (Glen), Jody Lin David (Sol), Joel Troy Andrews (Adriana), her adoring 23 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

She was an alumni and graduate of South High School in 1952. She was an avid golfer, a big New England Patriots fan, and she enjoyed investing.

Places of residence were San Diego, CA; Salt Lake City, UT; Minneapolis, MN; Cincinnati, OH; and Cranston, RI.

She worked at Pott's Drugstore as a soda jerk; Sears, Roebuck and Company in sales; as a lab tech and assistant for an orthodontist; a security guard for ZCMI and Paris Co. in the Cottonwood Mall in Holladay, UT; as a receptionist for Marriott Hotels and Stouffer's in Minneapolis, MN; a Dunkin Donuts manager; and she managed American Rings, a jewelry company in Providence, RI; and worked for a mail order magazine while lovingly nurturing and raising her six children.

If you were to ask her, what is your greatest achievement and joy in life, she would say, with the biggest of smiles, her family.

In meeting her, she would leave a mark of love and happiness in your life forever. This was her true legacy. She touched so many lives throughout her earthly journey. She was the giver of all things: sewing clothes for her children, including a wedding dress for a daughter and various items for welfare recipients, and as well as curtains and draperies. She lovingly made quilts for her grandbabies and great grandchildren, and aprons for her granddaughters. When her children were young, they would come home each day to the smell of freshly baked bread. She was a wonderful cook and baker, always from scratch. Family favorites were her Nana's banana bread, her spaghetti, enchiladas, and burritos, to name a few. She loved to sing and could harmonize with the best of them. Singing with her in church was like singing beside an angel from heaven.

Her passion was loving and serving others. Her genuine kindness to others and her zest for life was special. She was happiest whenever she was with her family. She was loved by all in her assisted living community, and known

for her thoughtfulness. She served as the ambassador at one community until she couldn't physically anymore. In her later years, in her assisted living, she was known as "the hat lady." She had multiple hats to match her outfits.

As a grandmother, she had no problem getting on the floor just to play with her grandchildren. Her life evolved around family events, traveling across the country to see them perform at school functions, being there for their baby blessings, and baptisms, helping to support their missions, and celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. Weddings were special because she was there. She loved to dance, from her youthful years at Saltair to learning the latest dance moves with her daughters. Mom loved making lifelong friends like her best friend Marlene. She even made friends in unexpected places such as her many airplane flights. She kept in touch with friends through Facebook.

Her sense of humor was such a fun part of her personality, not to be forgotten, from sticking her tongue out at you to memorable lines such as when she was given a compliment she would remark, "I didn't just go to school to eat my lunch!"

She was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. She taught her children and grandchildren the importance of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and His gospel, and the Plan of Salvation, which was a labor of love to her. Throughout her life, she served in a Primary Presidency, as a CTR Teacher, a Beehive Teacher, a Second Counselor in Relief Society, a Visiting Teacher Supervisor, a Second Counselor Stake Relief Society, in a Stake Nursery, and Librarian in her ward. She loved reading scriptures, enjoyed temple work, and going to church until her disabilities would no longer allow her to. She kept personal journals. She showed us the importance of thinking of others, of forgiveness, and of kindness-relationships were everything to her. Her example of patience throughout her own trials touched us all deeply.

You're home now mama, free to run and do those cartwheels in fields of flowers. We know you are forever watching over us. Thank you for your love and example. Until we see you again.

Love Eternally, Your Children, Grandchildren, and Great Grandchildren

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, April 29th at 11:00 a.m. Friends may greet the family at the viewings on Saturday, April 28th, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and again on Sunday, April 29th from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. All services will be held at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 S.) Sandy. Interment will be private for loved ones following the funeral services at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery.

Our family would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many expressed kind words and sympathy so tenderly extended during our bereavement, and for your attendance at the funeral. Thank you to those who so lovingly served our mother at Chateau Brickyard Senior Living, Atria Assisted Living, and Sunridge Assisted Living and Hospice. You made a difference in her life. You were the hands when we couldn't be there.