

Annabea Wayman Anderson

May 4, 1922 ~ August 14, 2021

Our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, Annabea Anderson passed away on Saturday, August 14, 2021.

Her parents were Hugh Sylvester and Beatrice Davidson Wayman. Annabea was the wife of Vernal Lemore Anderson and married him on a beautiful sunny Valentine's Day in the Salt Lake Temple, 1947.

Annabea was born on her mother’s birthday, May 4, 1922, in Evanston, Wyoming. She was her mother’s only daughter. They were very dear to each other, talking to each other on the phone at least once every day. Annabea followed her mother’s example of compassionate service and love for her family and all those around her.

Annabea lived in 12 different houses before she was married. Her favorite home however was the one her husband built for her in Sandy where they lived together for 62 years. It was so hard for her to leave the place she and Vernal raised their family. Her daughter felt it such a privilege and an honor for Annabea to finally consent to move in with her and her husband.

Annabea graduated from Murray High School where she became interested in writing poetry while in a Creative Writing class. She went on to write many beautiful, thoughtful and expressive poems. She was a member of the Utah State Poetry Society and one of her poems was published in the book Utah Sings.

Annabea loved to collect dolls. Many family members brought her a doll when they returned from a trip. She was so excited whenever she received a new one.

Annabea’s greatest accomplishment was her family. She loved them all so much. Visiting with her family was her greatest joy in life.

She was a devoted member of The Christ of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Some of the areas she served: Gleaner teacher, Young Women’s President, Relief Society President, Genealogy specialist, Ward Librarian and Ward Newspaper editor.

Annabea was a voracious reader of books. She loved books about or by church leaders, historical books, books about famous people and poetry. Sometimes she would read the last few pages of the book first.

Annabea enjoyed sending birthday cards and thank you notes to her friends and family and had quite the collection of cards ready for her signature.

Annabea is survived by her children Wayne (Beverly), Sharon Bea (Leon) Kotter, Tim (Caralun) and Karen (Gary) Koford, 20 grandchildren and 61 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death, by her sweetheart Vernal Lemore Anderson and her sons (Little) Hugh Morris Anderson, DeMar Anderson and a daughter in-law Sharon.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 28, 2021, beginning at 12:00 noon at the Riverton 8th Ward building, 12340 South 2700 West in Riverton, Utah. A viewing will be held at the same location Friday August 27th, from 6-8 PM and an hour prior to the services on Saturday. Interment to follow at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery in Sandy.

Recorded Funeral services may be viewed by clicking the blue box “Watch Services” button at the top of Annabea's obituary.