

Barbara L. Stewart

August 17, 1943 ~ March 9, 2025

Barbara L Stewart, age 81, of Holladay, Utah passed away at Spring Gardens Holladay An Avista Senior Living Community on the evening of March 9, 2025. She was born on August 17, 1943 in Ephraim, Utah to her late parents, Lyle and Ruth Blain.

She is survived by her husband Richard S. Stewart and children Paul L Stewart (Carole), and Amy S Weber (Tony); a sister, Diane L Osborn (Richard), a sister Charlene R Peters (George) and a sister in law Leslie Stewart Elliott; a deceased son-in-law, David Ensslin; grandchildren: Drew Ensslin (DeeAnn), Hailey Longmore (Blake), Kaitlyn Greenwell (David), Justin Stewart (Lauren), Mahki Stewart (Austin), Sky Stewart; great-grand children: Adaline, Archie, Calum, Declan, Everly, Hadley, Holland, Konrad, Lucus, Nathaniel, Porter, Rhett, Sage, and Violet.

Barbara attended local schools and graduated from East High School, Salt Lake City, in 1961. She married Richard S Stewart in 1963. Her first employment was with Mountain States Bell in Salt Lake City. In 1965, her husband accepted a teaching position in the Central Valley of California and they settled in Porterville, California with their son, Paul. Amy was born in 1968. Barbara and Richard returned to Utah in 2010 to care for Richard’s parents and to manage the family’s affairs. Barbara became a resident of Spring Gardens in Holladay, Utah in 2023.

Barbara was employed most of her adult life. She had excellent secretarial and medical billing skills. She was the office manager for two medical practices, an ophthalmologist office and a physical therapist office. Her skill was bringing patients into the office and keeping the office schedules full and busy. A mention needs to be made about her penmanship and typing abilities. Many patients said they never saw her in the same outfit twice. With all the work outside the home, she managed to care for her family. She sent her husband off to his school with a ironed, starched shirt every school day for thirty-six years.

Later in her life, Barbara endured some debilitating medical problems resulting in eight complicated leg surgeries. Her health declined to the point that her family and friends did not think she had long to live. By a miracle she found Spring Gardens Holladay, Utah. From February 1, 2023 she became a different person. She was living a renewed life. She thrived at Spring Gardens making numerous friends, embracing the staff and the activities offered. Somehow, Barbara attracted the attention of several, cultured and strong women both in California and in Utah. They befriended her and she constantly spoke of their friendship and guidance. The family wishes to thank Spring Gardens Holladay for the care given to our mother. She was happy there.

The funeral service will be held Friday March 21, 2025 at 12:00 pm at Larkin Sunset Lawn, 2350 E 1300 S, Salt Lake City, Utah. A viewing will be held prior to the service from 11:00-11:45 a.m. For those unable to attend, services will be streamed via Zoom. Please click on the "Watch Services" link above or follow the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/hGu4aCKpLFIo7V6W9y9YtPz3lW1UMT6Jzsh-_zIdeXdvHVgwjfi1pJ6I3Ii-BocK.CJlSGj

Interment will take place at Mount Olivet Cemetery.