

Brenda Helen Ruoho Ormond

March 3, 1939 ~ January 20, 2025

Brenda Helen Ferrin Ruoho Ormond passed away peacefully on January 20, 2025, after a long and wonderful life. She was a beloved mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Brenda was born on March 3, 1939, in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, to Rudgur and Dorothy Ferrin. Tragically, she lost both parents as a teenager and moved with her sister to Hansen, Idaho, where their aunt and uncle lovingly cared for them.

After high school, Brenda married Ronald Ray Ruoho and settled in Idaho Falls, where they raised two sons, Alan Ruoho (Idaho Falls, ID) and Michael Ruoho (Saratoga Springs, UT). Brenda loved skiing, dirt biking, fishing, camping, college football, and the Mariners.

Brenda showed incredible strength and courage when her husband, Ron, passed away unexpectedly on December 14, 1973. Despite the challenges, she worked hard to support her two sons while continuing the family traditions they all loved.

On January 4, 1977, Brenda married Lee Clair Ormond, a man who brought healing and love to her family. Together, they built a new life in Shelley, Idaho, embracing a blended family that included 10 children: Alan Ruoho, Michael (Karyn) Ruoho, Cevin (Carol) Ormond, Lynn (Taunna) Ormond, Donna (Lyle) Michaelson, Nancy (Robin) Spencer, Wendy (Thayne) Nelson, Raelene (Dan) Gibson, Jana (Jerry) Adams, and Kayla Ormond. Brenda and Clair shared a beautiful marriage, which lasted until Clair's passing on December 4, 2021.

As a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Brenda’s faith was a cornerstone of her life. She and Clair proudly served three missions together, which brought them great joy and strengthened their bond. Brenda embraced her in-laws and always sought to include them. She delighted in playing "Bumblebee" with her grandchildren, a cherished memory they will forever hold close.

Brenda is survived by her sons, stepchildren, sister Rudell White, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. The family extends gratitude to Ivybrook Assisted Living and Generations Hospice Care, especially Brice and Amanda, for their incredible and compassionate care. Special thanks go to Cevin (Carol) Ormond and nephew AJ (Jordan) Ormond for their loving support during Brenda’s final years. A graveside service will be held in the spring in Idaho Falls, Idaho where her ashes will be laid to rest next to Clair and Ron.

While our hearts are heavy with grief, we find comfort in knowing Brenda is joyfully reunited with loved ones who have gone before her. She now watches over us, and though we miss her dearly, we are forever grateful for the time we had with her. Enjoy the family reunion, Mom. We love you!