

Carma Jeanne Johnson Brown

May 14, 1936 ~ June 3, 2024

Carma Jeanne Johnson Brown passed away June 3, 2024 at her care center in Riverton, Utah. The night before her passing all of her six children were at her bedside along with sons- and daughters-in-law, three of her twelve grandchildren, and two of her fifteen great-grandchildren.

Carma Johnson was born to Elva Rose Covington and Ross Harold Johnson on May 14, 1936 in Rexburg, Idaho. She was the first of their eight children. Her family moved several times before settling in North Ogden, Utah where Carma attended Weber High School. She graduated from Weber State College which allowed her to teach children at Hooper Elementary School which is where she was teaching when a mutual friend encouraged her to blind date Edwin Garth Brown from American Fork, Utah. He held her hand on their first date and she always said her hand felt like it belonged there in his. Carma and Ned were sealed together in marriage in the Salt Lake Temple on June 6, 1958.

Carma gave one hundred percent to Ned and their children, moving their family from Salt Lake City, Utah to Topeka, Kansas then on to Chicago, Illinois and back to Salt Lake City. She was very creative and kept busy canning fruit and vegetables and was a great seamstress. She served people in many ways through her volunteer callings in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Some examples of Carma serving are her visiting the sick and lonely that she felt needed her comfort, directing the children's singing time in the Primary organization, teaching them gospel stories of Jesus Christ, and serving as the Primary president. She and Ned were asked to sing duets often, he with his tenor voice and she, harmonizing beautifully with her alto voice.

While her first three children were attending elementary school, she attended Chicago State College, receiving a Home Economics degree in the late 1960's. She always told us what good vitamins each nasty vegetable contained in order to encourage us to eat them. Carma attended the Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Utah in the late 1980's participating in an internship in Wyoming.

Throughout her life she volunteered at the YMCA and at the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Museum and devoted numerous hours doing genealogy work for her lineage and others. She truly loved to research the genealogies of her ancestors.

Carma was preceded in death by her husband Edwin "Ned" Brown, and her daughter-in-law, "Solo" Brown. She is survived by their children, Laura (Troy) Tate, Michael (Solofifiloi Matavao) Brown, Melanie Brown, Rosanne "Rose" Brown (Robert Samuels), Benjamin (Susanna Diana Gordon) Brown, Angela H. Brown (Fletcher Booth) and her twelve grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her brother Larry "Ross" (Ann Ashby) Johnson. She is survived by her brothers and sisters, Rose "Lorraine" (Clair) Jones, Roiden "Keith" Johnson, Luana Ruth "Leslie" Johnson, Julie Eileen (Timothy) Clark, Farrell "Rich" Johnson, Steven LeGrand

(Carolyn Frisby) Johnson.

The funeral services for Carma will be held Saturday, June 8, 2024 at a ward chapel of the Monument Park Stake, 2795 E Crestview Drive (1010 S), Salt Lake City at 10:00 a.m. Her viewing will be held at the same location from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. Carma’s burial will be at the Mount Olivet Cemetery, 1342 E 500 S, Salt Lake City.

To watch the recorded service, click the Watch Service button above.