


Carol Ann Palmer Mildenhall

July 20, 1943 ~ September 9, 2024

Our beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Carol Ann Palmer Mildenhall, Age 81, returned home to her heavenly father on September 9th, 2024. with her cherished family by her side.

Born on July 20th, 1943 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Annie and Val Palmer, Carol was outgoing, full of energy, and loved dancing from a very young age. She met her first husband, Stephen Pettit, on the dance floor at Lagoon's Patio Gardens concert venue. They married in the Salt Lake temple in 1964 and had three children. Carol divorced and in 1975 married her second husband, Grant Mildenhall, and had two additional children. Later divorcing Grant, they remained good friends.

Carol loved her family deeply and her house was filled to the rafters with pictures. She called family on the phone often and left heartfelt messages if no answer. Carol's love language was service and gift giving. Though she did not have much, she always found way to give to others. She volunteered as a candy striper at the local hospital and provided support for her elderly parents.

Carol enjoyed baking and always had goodies ready if she knew visitors were coming. She enjoyed making cinnamon rolls, rice pudding, banana bread and cookies. She was always sad to see you go after a visit and expected you to take treats with you. She was known as the "Candy Lady" by the neighborhood kids who would come knocking at the door to say hello, get a hug, and receive a treat. Carol loved to meet new people. Her friendly approachable demeanor quickly gained her new friends.

Besides family and dancing, Carol also loved her dogs. She owned several over the years including, Cookie, Anna and Mocha. In more recent years she looked forward to frequent visits from her grand puppies.

Carol's main occupation was homemaker while raising 5 children. For many years she did it as a single mom which made for challenging times. During her lifetime she worked at different jobs to make ends meet including as a key punch operator, school lunch lady, janitor, day care assistant, and a babysitter for other neighborhood moms.

Carol was a lifetime faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and attended the Granger 15th Ward for over forty years where she served in multiple positions including in the primary and as nursery leader.

We will miss her caring nature, hugs, long visits, phone calls and treats. There is certainly rejoicing family, friends and tail wagging dogs welcoming her home.

Survived by 5 children: Kathi (Ron) Floisand, Scott (Robyn) Pettit, Valeri (Leon) Harrington, Kerri (Steve) Rose, Doug (Melissa) Mildenhall and 16 grand children and 9 great grand children with 2 more on the way.

Preceded in death by her mother (Annie L. Jackson Palmer), father (Val Douglas Palmer), brother (James Walter Palmer), and many friends.

Funeral services on Tuesday, September 17th, at 11:00 am at the Whitmore Ward, 6890 Whitmore Way, Cottonwood Heights. Guests may pay their final respects at Larkin Mortuary, 260 East South Temple, on Monday evening 6-8 p.m. and on Tuesday, one hour prior to services. Interment will occur at the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

Those wishing to view the service via Zoom can click "Watch Service" or follow the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/bHSq6tHamCKiuC46AkSdwC9jdbKpiJ6s43fbE9JLKZfEU9atJ9oT6WumkUkmmJLk.W