

Catherine Condie Willeitner

September 11, 1954 ~ August 18, 2024

Our wonderful wife, mom, grandma, and friend, Catherine Condie Willeitner, passed away peacefully in her home on August 18, 2024. Catherine was born on September 11, 1954, in Salt Lake City, Utah to Lyman and Mary Condie. She was an amazing example of service, kindness, love, joy, and humor. She supported her family in their events and activities, and was the mastermind of numerous family vacations enjoyed together, especially those spent sitting around a campfire while she played her guitar using her own homemade songbook.

After developing a great friendship and love, Catherine and Ludwig Willeitner were married in the Salt Lake City Temple on July 15, 1976. Together they established a family with eight children in Sandy, Utah, and filled their home with light, joy, and a lot of noise. Catherine was thoughtful and intelligent, and full of witty and clever humor. She developed a love for learning and reading and shared that love with her children and grandchildren as they piled on her lap for cuddles and a good story.

Catherine graduates from this life ahead of her husband, Ludwig, and her siblings and their spouses; Marilyn and Terry, Lyman and Debbie, Ann, Alan and Shelly, Larry, Denise, Paul and Stephanie, and Patricia. She dearly loves her children and their spouses; Jennifer, Julie, Lisa and Patrick, Shelly and Derek, Kevin and Lori, Ryan and Brianna, Scott, and Eric and Shelby. She has had the joy and pleasure of caring for 32 amazing grandchildren.

Catherine has an unwavering testimony of her Heavenly Father and Savior, Jesus Christ. She found joy and peace serving in the temple and loved attending with her children. She consistently served within her family, in church callings (including leadership positions as primary president and relief society president), and as an inner-city missionary with her husband.

She spent hours in her garden and loved her beautiful flowers. Her family spent their summers playing together in the yard and garden. Even though the kids tried their hardest to turn the garden into a soccer field, those rose bushes weren't going down without a fight.

Catherine was an amazing seamstress, sewing everything from Christmas tree skirts to wedding dresses. She made many quilts for humanitarian efforts, but she found even greater joy in those created for her grandchildren that they will cherish forever (even those that have been loved to shreds).

She brought joy to her friends and family as she indulged them with her love for chocolate and quality desserts. From giant heart cookies to chocolate cakes, “Catherine’s Creations” were gifted to hundreds of people, especially at Christmas time, with fine hand-dipped chocolates and decadent handmade caramels.

Although Catherine had many children, she welcomed countless others into her home and reminded them simply, “Call me MOM. It stands for Mother of Many.” She always stayed up late waiting for teenagers to get home and enjoyed stories of the adventures they had. She helped many people feel loved and valued.

We will always cherish our time together and the many lessons we learned from her loving example, instruction, dedication, and endurance. We look forward to the day we will reunite in joy and peace, free from the limitations of mortality. “I can either laugh or cry, and I choose to laugh.”

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at 10885 Pampas Dr. Sandy, Utah. There will be an opportunity to meet with the family from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. before the service. Friends and family can also meet with family on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be a graveside dedication following the funeral service at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 S.) Sandy, Utah.

To watch the services, please go to https://app.zoom.us/wc/join and enter the Webinar ID 962 5849 3259

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