

Diane Gail Harman Nielsen

June 13, 1947 ~ December 28, 2021

Our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, Diane Gail Harman Nielsen, passed away on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, due to a short battle with pancreatic cancer. Diane was born June 13, 1947, in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was the oldest child of Dorothy Gunther Harman and Howard L. Harman.

Diane was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, and her family later moved to Cottonwood Heights. She attended Mount Jordan Middle School and Hillcrest High School. When she grew up, she led a full and adventurous young adult life that included a red Buick Skylark, an orange Corvette convertible and motorcycle. She worked in insurance for 37 years. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Diane was married to her sweetheart, Leon Nielsen, for over 30 years, until his passing. Diane loved being with people! A long-time golfer, she golfed at many courses around the state and across the country. She worked out several times each week with a fantastic group of people she referred to as the “kids.” Diane was the star bowler on her bowling team, the Screw Drivers, and she participated in a monthly book club, game day, and as an active member of her Hattitudes group.

The last years of her life, she was always ready for an adventure with her boyfriend, Buck Hall, who brought much fun and laughter into her life. She also spent a lot of time tending and playing with her energetic grandchildren, whom she loved very much. But Diane will be remembered most for her kindness, thoughtfulness, and her caring and positive attitude.

Diane is survived by her daughter Cassandra Lyn Kartchner (Travis), stepdaughters Kristine Pugh, Lori Lemn (Earl), stepson Kevin Nielsen, brother Scott Harman (Kim). Grandchildren Elizabeth, Katelynn, Cameron, Brenden, Breanna, Hallie, Rowan, Kensley, and Austin. Many nieces, nephews and cousins, and canine companion, Coco. Diane was preceded in death by her husband Leon Nielsen and her parents.

Special thanks to her loving boyfriend Buck Hall, and lifetime friend Denise Schmallen, for their compassionate care of Diane in her final days.

A viewing will be held at Larkin Sunset Gardens Mortuary 1950 E. 10600 South in Sandy, Utah, on Tuesday, January 4, 2021, from 6:00-8:00 pm.
On Wednesday, January 5, 2021, a 10:00 am visitation at Larkin Sunset Gardens Mortuary will precede the funeral, which will begin at 11:00 am. A Zoom Link to view the funeral can be found on Larkin’s Website.

The family welcomes your stories and memories at http:/larkinmortuary.com/obituary.

To view the completed services please click "Watch Services" button or follow the following link:
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