

Ellen Marie Barlow Lake

June 6, 1935 ~ February 18, 2025

Ellen “Marie” Barlow Lake passed away peacefully in Phoenix, Arizona, on February 18, 2025, exactly fifteen years to the day, and in the same home, where her beloved husband Jack passed away. Marie was born on June 6, 1935, in Salt Lake City Utah to Hubert Rampton Barlow and Ethyl Mary Watkins Barlow, with her older brother Hubert Rampton Barlow, Jr. (Marilyn). Marie graduated from East High School in Salt Lake City, Utah in 1953, where Victory Jory selected her as East High’s “most photogenic” girl. She later attended and graduated from the University of Utah, where she studied Elementary Education, pledged and actively supported the Phi Beta Phi sorority, and was chosen as the Dixie Classic Basketball Tournament Queen at Raleigh, North Carolina, in 1956. Following graduation, Marie taught at Whittier and Emerson elementary schools in Salt Lake City.

Marie married Jack Smith Lake in the Salt Lake Temple on August 10, 1958. In 1962, Marie and Jack moved to Phoenix, Arizona to build their marriage, lives and family: Greg (Lisa), Allison (Mike), Holly (Gail), Sean (Amy), and Jenny (Dan). Marie cherished her family and treasured her friends. Growing up for a while in her grandparents’ home, in the Garden Park Ward, she became a sister and daughter to her cousins, aunts and uncles. The friends she made in high school, college and in Phoenix remain her friends forever; even until her last mortal days she consistently and lovingly cared for all of them. Marie is grandma to twenty two grandchildren, and thirty-four great grandchildren. She adored each and showered them with endless attention and love; she prayed for them individually by name each night. She was without guile, and was deeply loved by each of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

From 1991 to 1994, Marie and Jack served as the Mission Leaders of the Canada, Calgary Mission of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Hundreds of young missionaries, young men and women, came into the orbit of Marie’s love. Marie served faithfully in the Church, in numerous callings in the Primary, Young Women, and Relief Society. But, above all else, Marie is a disciple of Jesus Christ.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 5:00pm to 7:00pm at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Days Saints located at 4225 N. 56th St., Phoenix, Arizona.

Another viewing will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Larkin Mortuary located at 260 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City, from 10:00am to 12:00 Noon, and then a 12:30 Graveside Service at the Salt Lake City Cemetery (380 N., 1150 E.). Funeral arrangements are handled by Bunker in Phoenix and Larkin in Salt Lake City.