

Erika Armstrong Dodds Wright

October 21, 1936 ~ July 27, 2021

Erika Armstrong Dodds Wright, 84, died July 27, 2021 in Salt Lake City of colon and liver cancer.

Erika was born 21 October 1936 to Robert Alfred Armstrong Dodds and Margaretha Alma Hediger at Eaglescliffe, Durham County, England. She grew up in England. Her family was in London during the WWII bombing of London. One harrowing memory she retained was being blown across her family's apartment living room.

Erika was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1955 in England. She served a mission to Switzerland from 1962-1964.

Erika was married to James Francis Wright, who died in 1995. For many years she worked for the University of Utah.

Quiet, humble, self-effacing, Erika touched many lives. The picture accompanying this obituary was taken at General Conference. It shows her ubiquitous hat, enigmatic expression, and saintly countenance.

Erika had a passion for family history and loved attending the temple. She served as a missionary in the Church History Department. She did research and vicarious work for ancestors in England, Switzerland, and elsewhere. During her life she wrote thousands of letters and notes of encouragement, commemoration and thanks to relatives and friends around the world.

Erika is survived by a brother, Christopher Dodds, in Canada and a sister, Catherine Kuenzli in Switzerland.

Erika requested a graveside service which will be held at the Salt Lake City cemetery on 08/03/2021 at 11:00am. Routing instruction to the graveside service within the cemetery is: Main to Hillside, Hillside to 445 North, West to Main, and then South