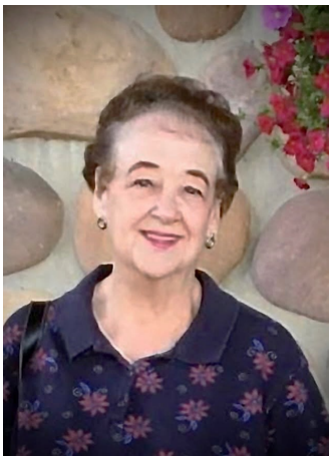


Hazel Ann Cowan

January 16, 1944 ~ April 27, 2026

Hazel Ann Cowan, age 82, passed away on April 27, 2026, in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was born on January 16, 1944, in Price, Utah, to James Ivan and Audrey Rasmussen Simmons. She married Gaylen Richard Cowan on September 4, 1964, and they were married for fifty-four years.

Hazel (or Ann as she preferred at times) was a graduate of South High School and attended Stevens-Henager Business College. She was a master of shorthand and kept her family guessing what her secret notes meant, especially her Christmas lists. She worked as a secretary at First Security Bank (later Wells Fargo Bank) for many years. She was optimistic, kind, independent, determined, a hard worker and had a great sense of humor. She had an open and loving heart that welcomed everyone. The world has lost one of its brightest lights.

Hazel is survived by her daughter, Christine Burke, son, Richard Cowan, and grandson, James Burke.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and brother, James Michael Simmons.

Funeral services will be held Monday, May 4, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at Larkin Sunset Gardens located at 1950 East Dimple Dell Road (10600 South), Sandy, Utah. A viewing will be held prior to the service from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Interment to follow at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery.