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July 24, 1956 ~ December 10, 2022

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Sandy, UT – On December 10, Hope Halladay Olsen passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by family, following a valiant 3-year battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s Disease). Hope was born to Albert and Sydnee Halladay on July 24, 1956 in Provo, Utah. She grew up in the Sandy area and attended Hillcrest High School where she was Senior Class Secretary and a member of the Pep Club.

Hope married her high school sweetheart, Rex “Lynn” Olsen, on January 3, 1975; they were sealed together for time and all eternity on August 12, 1977 in the Salt Lake Temple. A devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Hope served in many callings over the years. A particular rewarding experience was an inner-city mission with Lynn in the Laotian-Thai Ward where she developed a deep love for the people and culture of the community she served.

Hope was beautiful and talented. She was Sandy’s Jr. Miss in 1973, later becoming a Junior Miss Judge. That same year, she was a model for JC Penney. She was artistic and particularly skilled in calligraphy, which she did for a time for O.C. Tanner. She also played the piano and flute and had a great appreciation for music.

Hope had a great impact on others through her high-spirited energy and laughter. She loved to make others smile and was known for her kindness and generosity. Whether scrapbooking, making a quilt, or editing a book, Hope was always busy with some project, often to help out a friend or neighbor. She was enthusiastic about learning new things and found much meaning in genealogy work and exploring her ancestry. She found beauty in God’s creations and was delighted to view horses, geese, deer and other wildlife on long drives with her husband. She enjoyed getting her hands in the dirt while gardening, listening to the birds in her backyard, and watching the sunset.

Hope found tranquility and a deep connection to nature in her vacations to Hawaii. She enjoyed visiting the Northeast, spending time at her condo in St. George, and waterskiing in Lake Powell with her family and friends. Hope cherished her life with her husband, Lynn, who she considered her best friend and her “rock.” Their loving and tender relationship is a source of inspiration for all who knew them. Hope was a loving and fiercely devoted

mother and grandmother. She had special and unique relationships with each of her four children and found so much joy in being a grandmother ("Bomma") to her wonderful grandchildren, spread from coast to coast.

Hope is preceded in death by her mother, Sydnee Halladay. She is survived by her father, Albert Halladay; siblings Shawn (Karen), Gay, and Hal (Gina); beloved husband, Lynn; children, Clint (Tania), Carrie (Bob), Jared (Kaytie), and Jaime; grandchildren Haley (Tyler), Ashley, Nicoll, Annie, Ellie, Jake, Finn, Sophie and Salvatore; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Hope will forever be in our hearts and memories.

There will be a viewing on Thursday, December 15, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road (10600 S.) Sandy, UT 84092.

A second viewing will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2022 at 11:30 am at the Canyon View Stake Center, 9119 South 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094. Funeral services will follow at 1:00 pm at the same location.

Interment will be at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road (10600 S.) Sandy, UT 84092.

Those wishing to view the services via Zoom can click the "Watch Services" button or follow the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/av9k5ubRiGkJkM9YI_pvW00oWzX4C0LCcQQL5BxRHSRjcAEjZAp8KkAX67PFjCD6.