

Joanne Catherine Barrett

September 16, 1929 ~ November 13, 2021

Joanne Catherine Barrett, age 92, peacefully returned to Heaven on November 13, 2021, surrounded by her family. She was the only child of Stella Flowers and Augustine Police. She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Donald Alexander Barrett, and baby grandson, Ethan Adam Barrett. She is survived by her only child, Donald Bernard Barrett (Denise Hartley), and her 4 grandchildren: Jennifer Lynn Johnson (Brett Johnson), Aaron Alexander Barrett (Tiana Powell), Cara Lee Barton (Chad Barton), and Brennan Alan Barrett (Julia Carhauricra Woolley). She also has 5 great grandchildren: Sadie, Trace, Aden, Peter, and Kristopher).

Joanne was born in Torrance, California on September 16, 1929. She had a quiet childhood as an only child and remembered the difficult times of the Great Depression. She was raised by her mother and stepfather, Fred Flowers, who both worked most of the time to provide for the family. They lived in the same small home from the time Joanne was 3, until she was married. In the summer of 1948, she met her future husband, Don, at a birthday party. He was from New York but was temporarily in California in service for the Navy. They were married in February 1949 and moved to New York where Don would go to school to become a draftsman. After living in the big, busy city for a few years, they moved back to Fremont, California where they built a home and lived for the rest of their marriage. Don and Joanne had several dogs that she adored, especially the Sheltie breed, as they had no children for the first 9 years together. They were blessed with their son “Donny” in 1958.

Joanne stayed busy with a few lodge and charitable organizations including Rebekahs and White Shrine, serving in various capacities over the years. She enjoyed hosting dinner parties with friends and neighbors. She was a fantastic cook and baker and enjoyed decorating cakes and collecting recipes. Joanne also had a beautiful crochet hand and all of her family members cherish many blankets that she made for everyone, including the new babies in the family. She was also so generous and always finding opportunities to donate to various charities and worthy causes to help others, remembering what it was like to go without. Her grandkids loved to play card games with her and took turns spending the night with grandma and grandpa at their condo in Utah when they came to visit.

Joanne was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend and will be missed by all who knew her. She will be buried next to her husband and grandson in Sandy, Utah.

Funeral services will be held at Larkin Sunset Gardens Chapel, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, Utah 84092, on Friday, November 19, 2021 at 11 am with graveside services to follow.