

Joyce Alene Halley Lund Thomas

October 31, 1924 ~ May 30, 2022

Joyce Alene Halley Lund Thomas passed very peacefully on Monday morning, May 30, 2022. She was absolutely beautiful at 97 with all of her mental faculties and sharp wit. She was the epitome of what a lady should be.

Born on October 31, 1924, to Harry Clay Halley of Marshall, Missouri and Clara Mildred Castleman of Rochester, Indiana. She attended Boise High School, Class of ’42 and was a Student Body Officer in 10th, 11th and 12th grades. Senior year she was chosen May Queen for the city. While attending the University of Idaho she was a Gamma Phi Beta and also Phi Beta Kappa. She was chosen Sweetheart of Sigma Chi fraternity. She was an honorary ROTC little sister. She had lifelong friends from everywhere she went.

She met her sweetheart, Francis Carter Lund at Washington State where he was in flight school after enlisting in the Army. He wrote her the most wonderful letters while serving in the Philippines. They married when he returned and their joy in life were their seven children Gary (M’Jean), Marsha (Paul), Laurie (Bob), Leslie (Ken), Lisa, Mindy (Scott), Stacey; their 17 grandchildren and 46 great grands. Joyce was known as “Gommy” by all. She adored her family of which she was an integral part of each and every member’s life. She attended all family special events, concerts, births, holidays, football and hockey games and encouraged and supported each member. She expertly knit and crocheted baby blankets, sweaters, caps and booties. Gommy was very well read and a great conversationalist. She was animated and fun, and made friends quickly. Everyone loved her.

She worked very hard as an Executive Secretary for which she received awards and recognition. She loved to dance, especially to musicals. Her fruit trees supplied her neighborhood. She loved to cook and made the best frozen strawberry jam, salsa, chili sauce, dill pickles, caramel corn and homemade ice cream. She was an expert seamstress and an avid video collector. She loved her calling as a Genealogist in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She stayed independent, took care of herself, remained active in the church and everyone’s lives.

Later in life, she married George Thomas. They enjoyed camping, boating, snowmobiling as well as being Park Rangers at Arches National Park, and spending time at their cabin. She was heartbroken to have been preceded in death by Fran, three of her children, Lisa, Stacey and Leslie as well as her son-in-law Paul; two sisters Lois and Phyllis and husband George. She was sole survivor of her generation in the family we loved. Her sweet spirit will brighten up those waiting for her. She can now see, hear and dance! We love you Gommy and are grateful to have been blessed for all
these many years with you.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 4th at 12:00 noon with a viewing from 9:30 to 11:45 am at the Val Verda 1st Ward, 2633 South 50 West, Bountiful. Interment to follow services at Memorial Lakeview Cemetery, 1640

Lakeview Drive, Bountiful. To view previously held services please visit
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