

Karin Leni Angelika Kremulat Bryner

May 8, 1938 ~ December 24, 2024

Karin Leni Angelika Kremulat Bryner (86) Born May 8, 1938 Koenigsberg, East Prussia, Germany and peacefully passed away on the evening of December 24, 2024 in Salt Lake City Utah. She had a stroke on Sunday morning December 22. She was preparing her home for a day of celebration: wrapping presents, preparing food, and getting ready to lead the music at church. This exemplifies the life of Karin, our Dear Mom, sister, and friend. Her life is a life of deep faith, service, and devotion.

She loved Christmas Eve. How fitting to return to the loving arms of our Savior on the holiest of nights. What a joyful reunion with her husband Lowell and family whom she missed so much. She has a great testimony of the restored gospel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Karin was born in Koenigsberg, East Prussia, Germany. The “old” country that no longer exists as a result of World War II. Her childhood was filled with hardship. The last time she saw her father was when she was 3 ½ years old. Her dear mother Luise Kremulat, her sister Helga, her aunt Edith, and her cousin Vera forged their way struggling to find safety and food. Eventually they were united in Westfalen, Germany with her Oma Schipporeit. As refugees, they were taken in by a farmer’s wife in the small village of Moellbergen. There was joy found in this village. Along with her sister Helga, she learned to complete chores on the farm, herd the cattle, be with the animals, work in the vegetable garden, and play in the forest. Eventually they were able to obtain a small studio apartment in Minden sharing their resources.

She left Germany, along with her sister, when she was 18 years old and arrived in America on December 7, 1956. She received her citizenship and proudly stated she is an American. She loved having as many flags as possible, quite possibly more than anyone, and proudly displayed her flags and US collectibles.

She enjoyed the opportunities of being in the Salt Lake Valley: taking classes at LDS Business College, attending organ recitals, church sermons, and serving others in her community. She particularly enjoyed helping and serving the Wood family with household chores and taking care of the children in this family. She worked at Hiller Bookbinding Company in Salt Lake City for a time.

Karin married Lowell LaVoy Bryner on March 18, 1963 in the Logan Utah Temple. Lowell had learned German on his mission to, Austria and he wanted to keep his German language skills. He was enchanted by Karin. Together they started their life of faith, dedication to the gospel, and service. Karin served in various organizations including the Primary, Sunday School, and most recently as Music Leader for Sacrament meeting.

Along with her husband Lowell, she volunteered for 20 seasons at This is the Place Heritage Park. They served in the Salt Lake and Jordan River Temples completing an ordinance assignment for sealings. Together they enjoyed attending symposiums and church history lectures.

Karin also worked for the Salt Lake County Auditor's office as the Office Manager/Receptionist. After Lowell retired, she began full-time office work. She retired at age 84 after 29 years and 3 years of full time seasonal work. Karin was always saying "Work is A Blessing" She enjoyed her association with friends and colleagues at the Auditor's Office.

Karin is known for her caring, compassion, creativity, humor, and joy for life! She has spirit! She shared her resources with others. She always shared a meal, poem, and wisdom. She was confident in her abilities and often "figured things out" to make her own pattern for sewing clothes and costumes, creating meals without a recipe, and craft projects. She loved caring for her family and home. She loved to do things well and often had elaborate displays and celebrations.

She found joy in the small details of life. She loved caring for her "plot of land". She served selflessly and knew she would "work til the end"

Our dear faithful, loving Mom! We love you!

Karin is survived by her children Sylvia (Scott) Gines, Thomas (Tamara) Bryner, Christine Anderson, Barbara (David) Gill, Michael (Stephanie) Bryner, 19 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, her sister Helga, cousin Vera, nieces, and nephews.

Karin is preceded in death by her parents, son-in-law Brian Anderson, and her beloved sweetheart Lowell.

Funeral services will be held on Monday December 30, 2024 with a viewing at 9:30am prior to the service at 11:00am. All are invited to watch the service remotely via Zoom. Please select www.larkinmortuary.com click obituaries, select the picture of Karin, then the blue "Watch Services" tab at the top of the obituary.