

Karla Ann Laing

January 5, 1954 ~ January 13, 2022

Karla Ann Laing passed away peacefully on January 13, 2022, in Murray, Utah surrounded by her family. She was born on January 5, 1954 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Rulon Ray Timothy and Jenean Bertie Phibbs. After the passing of her mother and later her father, she was adopted by Elbert McEwan Livesey and Ruth Ellen Hansen.

Karla was raised in Salt Lake City, Utah and graduated from West High School in 1972. She went on to pursue her education at Ricks College and subsequently BYU. She graduated from BYU with a Bachelor's degree in Family Relations and Child Development. After graduation, she was called to serve the people of Toronto, Canada as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Karla was blessed with three children, three in-laws she considered her own, and 10 grand children whom she loved dearly. One of her favorite activities to do with them all was roasting marshmallows in the canyons. The grandchildren always loved the pudding painting, peanut butter play dough, and other crafts she always had planned for them. She shared her love of art, crafts, creativity, poetry, songs, books, cooking, and nature with her children and grandchildren. She lived to make memories.

Karla dedicated many years serving in the Salt Lake City Temple. One of her greatest joys was tending children who awaited to be sealed to their families. Her temple service brought so much joy to her life. She was a great example of love and service. She always put the care of others in front of her own.

Karla is survived by her children: Jeffrey Scott Laing (ManDee), Midland, TX; Laura Carter (Ryan), Salt Lake City, UT; Krista Adams (Brian), Eagle Mountain, UT; 10 grandchildren; Karla’s siblings: Jenean Livesey and Joan Johnson; Karla’s half siblings: Vickie Pavlovich and Douglas Timothy.

Karla is preceded in death by her birth parents Rulon Ray Timothy and Jenean Bertie Phibbs and her adopted parents Elbert McEwan Livesey and Ruth Ellen Hansen.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 21, 2022 at 11am in the Larkin Funeral Home chapel (260 E S Temple, Salt Lake City, UT). Viewing will be held Thursday night 6:00-7:30pm and Friday morning 9:30-10:30am at the Larkin Funeral Home (260 E S Temple, Salt Lake City, UT). Interment will be held at the Salt Lake City Cemetery (200 N St E, Salt Lake City, UT) at 12pm. The family asks you to adhere to the Salt Lake County mask mandate and practice social distancing to help keep everyone comfortable and safe. Please dress warm.

For those of you who cannot attend the service in person, you are welcome to view the service on Zoom. Meeting ID: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82242792153 You will need to have signed up for a free account with zoom in order to watch the service.

The Laing family wishes to express their gratitude to the many individuals who have been Karla’s friends and to the individuals who provided compassion and assistance throughout her life.