

Kathleen Jensen Rudelich

December 18, 1948 ~ January 4, 2026

Kathleen Jensen Rudelich passed away on Sunday, January 4, 2026. She was born on December 18, 1948 in Salt Lake City, UT to Raymond Jensen and Faun Utley Jensen. She grew up in the Poplar Grove neighborhood. She attended Edison Elementary, Glendale Middle School, and West High School. While attending West, she met Lane in a class they shared their sophomore year. They had their first date on New Year's Eve 1964 and were together from then on. They were married May 8, 1970, and later sealed for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake Temple in 1986.

She continued her education at University of Utah. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics Secondary Education. She began her teaching career at South High School in Salt Lake City. She was also the Pep Club Advisor. She then moved to Hillcrest High School in 1979 to be closer to home. She retired from teaching in 2002, after teaching for 30 years.

They welcomed their first daughter, Summer, in 1976. Their son, Nicholas, was born in 1979. They adopted 2 daughters, Noelle and Priyanka, from India. Noelle joined their family in 1983 and Priya joined their family in 1988.

Lane and Kathy loved to travel. They traveled every year of their marriage. They traveled in a camper, later a motor home, and then, of course, by jet. They have visited almost every country in Europe and many other places around the world.

She was preceded in death by her dad, Raymond Jensen, her mom, Faun Utley, and her brother, Jim Jensen.

She is survived by her husband, Lane, her children, Summer (Jeff), Nicholas (Tiffany), Noelle (Brian), and Priyanka, and her 7 grandchildren, Kalika, Eryn, Rayne, Riley, Patrick, Ayrton, and Enzo, and her brother, George (Angela), (Dianne).

Funeral Services will be held on Monday, January 12 at Larkin Sunset Gardens Mortuary, 1950 E 10600 S, Sandy, Utah. A viewing will be held from 11:00 – 1:00. Followed by a short service at 1:15. In honor of Kathy, please dress bright and cheerful.

Interment will be at Granite Cemetery, 2969 E 9800 S, Granite, Utah.

For those who cannot attend, the funeral service will be livestreamed. Click "watch services" below.