

Leona Hunt Wysocki

March 28, 1936 ~ February 7, 2022

On behalf of my family, I would like to begin by thanking everyone that is here today as well as those who couldn't be here and sent their condolences. I have received countless phone calls and text messages. They have all been very comforting and a great reminder of the impact that my grandma had on so many others.

For those of you who don't know me, I'm Leona's granddaughter Sami, I am Bob's youngest child. If that doesn't ring a bell, then you might know me as "Little Leona" which is what my parents have always called me, and my grandma often introduced me by that name. Apparently, I'm exactly like my grandma.

As I sat down to write this, I hit a wall. I have so much that I want to say that it's impossible to get it all out in an organized manner. So please bear with me.

Let's start with a little history.

Leona was born on March 28th, 1936, to Leonard J. Hunt and Ethel May Pattee in Salt Lake City Utah. She was the youngest of 5 children all of which preceded her in death; she had 3 sisters, Hilma, Betty, and Ruth, and 1 brother, Leon. She married the love of her life, Stanley J. Wysocki at the age of 15 on December 1, 1951. Together they had 4 children, Joseph Stanley Wysocki, Michael Leon Wysocki, Robert Steven Wysocki, and Sherrie Leona Marie Wysocki who blessed them with 11 grandkids, 25 great grandkids, and 3 great-great grandkids. Stanley passed away suddenly on June 5, 1990, at the age of 60. I was only 4 when he passed away, so I don't have a lot of my own memories, but I do know that she never stopped loving and missing him. I can only imagine how happy she was when she was able to reunite with him. She kept saying "This isn't how I expected things to go, but at least I'm going to get to see my honey again"

Her family and her animals were the most important things in her life. She was one of the most caring, loving, and giving people you could ever know. She was a social butterfly, making friends with everyone that she came in contact with. If you were fortunate enough to get to know her you can be sure that she loved, you with her whole heart. She was accepting of everyone, and always welcomed you with open arms even if it was the first time meeting you.

She was so smart. She knew everything there was to know. If I had a question that I couldn't find an answer to I knew I could call grandma and she would know. My mom gave her the name Dr. Leona Webster Wysocki because you didn't need a Dr. or a dictionary if she was around. She knew everything.

In all honesty, I really think that I thought my grandma was going to live forever. It still doesn't feel real to me.

Leona H. Wysocki passed away on February 7, 2022, at the Highland Care Center in Holladay, Utah just six short days after being diagnosed with an aortic dissection at the age of 85. The doctor said that he didn't expect her to make it more than three days, but being the spitfire that she was, she proved him wrong by making it six days. It's

not very often that someone gets the opportunity to say goodbye to their loved ones, but she did and she didn’t rest until she was done saying her goodbyes. My husband Brandon and I had the privilege of being able to spend 5 of those 6 days with her, and we were amazed at the number of visitors she had that came to say their final farewells to her. There were family members, neighbors, friends, and even doctors and pharmacists that she had to call to make sure she got to talk to them one last time to make sure that they knew that she loved them, and she would be seeing them again. There were tears and there was laughter, a lot of laughter, and a couple of really late nights. It was a great comfort to see the abundance of love that everyone had for her. I will forever cherish those last 5 days that I got to spend with her.

She had just as many people waiting on the other side for her that loved her as there were here on earth. The reunion must have been amazing!

All who knew her loved her. She gave the best hugs. She was one of a kind and though she will be missed greatly she will never be forgotten. You will live on in our hearts forever, we love you. Rest in peace until we meet again.

And we all know “You’ll be watching us”

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, February 19, 2022, at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road (10600 South), Sandy, UT. A viewing will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 am prior to the services. To watch the recorded services, please click on the blue "Watch Services" box to the right of the picture.