

Linda Fern Dalley

October 28, 1953 ~ December 11, 2022

Linda Fern Dalley left this life while in the comfort of her home after a brief illness on December 11th, 2022. She was born October 28th, 1953, to Charles A and Bonita E Cox in Covina, CA.

Linda met the love of her life at age 14 while traveling with the Northview High School Marching Band on a trip to Catalina Island. Bob was 19 at the time and traveling with his band, the Iron Horse. They have been inseparable ever since. He often had to take her younger brothers, Dale and Tim, on dates with them so they could spend time together. Bob and Linda were married in July 1972, just after Linda's high school graduation.

Linda graduated from Mt. San Antonio Community College with a degree in early childhood education. After they were married, the Navy stationed Bob in Dixon, CA. Their first home together was a modest converted chicken coupe. Upon his discharge, they relocated back to Covina, where they welcomed their first child, Robbie, and five years later, along came Melissa. Together she and Bob performed in their band, The Surf Raiders, all around Southern California.

She was a professional banker, having retired as an Assistant Vice President from Security Pacific National Bank in Southern California. Bob and Linda relocated their family to West Jordan, UT, in 1989 due to a desire to be closer to Bob's family and his new job with the LDS Church. Linda was excited about the adventure and the cooler weather, as she was not a fan of the heat. Linda served several years on the City of West Jordan Planning Commission, including Chairing the Commission. She and Bob also founded the West Jordan Historical Society and Museum, which recently celebrated 25 years of operation. Linda also served as a Tier II Board Member for the Salt Lake County Zoo Arts and Parks Program. She taught many neighborhood kids piano lessons for years as well.

Linda struggled with health issues since she suffered a stroke just after Melissa was born. This led to her having a deeper unconditional love and judgment-free love of everyone, no matter how they differed from her and her views. Linda strived to take care of her elder family members, often being the person there at the end, cleaning up and watching over them as they came to the conclusion of their own lives. Linda spent her life as an example of service to her community and others.

Linda leaves behind her eternal companion Bob, two children, Robbie and Melissa (Scott) Burkee, and her most favorite Grandson, little Robbie, plus her sister Sharon McFarland, as well as multiple nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her father, Charles, mother Bonita, brothers Dale and Tim Shores, and various aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Bob and Linda recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Linda will be entombed at Larkin Sunset Gardens in Sandy, UT, on Monday, December 19th, 2022. Services will be held at 11 am at the Bristol Ridge Meeting House located at 1465 Bristol Ridge Dr., West Jordan, UT. A viewing will be held Sunday evening from 6 pm - 8 pm and 10 am - 10:45 am on Monday before the service. Services are being handled by Larkin Mortuary.

To access the recorded services you may click the "Watch Service" button at the top of Linda's obituary.

“In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to the continuing care of Bob as he works towards getting to go home. Funds may be sent via Venmo to @Linda_Dalley.”