

Marian Blaser

March 27, 1954 ~ April 9, 2022

Our dear sister, sister-in-law, and aunt, Marian Blaser, quietly slipped away from this life in the early morning hours on Saturday, April 9, 2022, after courageously fighting cancer for a year.

Cheerful, darling, beautiful, jolly Marian was born to Beulah Ricks Blaser and Gwyllum Grosnick Blaser on March 27, 1954.

Baby Marian was born with big, beautiful, brown eyes and was received as something of a graduation gift for her father who graduated from the University of Utah Medical School on the day of her birth.

Marian was the middle child of six children. She was the peacemaker among her siblings, always trying to do the right thing and always concerned for everyone's happiness.

Marian moved with her family from Salt Lake City to Preston, Idaho, while she was still a wee lass. Marian thoroughly enjoyed her childhood years in Preston and thrived in the small-town environment. She reveled in the many, many good memories of yearly family trips to Rexburg, Island Park, and West Yellowstone.

In 1965, the family returned to Salt Lake City and four years later to Provo, Utah, where Marian graduated from Provo High School in 1972. She attended and graduated from Brigham Young University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Family Sciences, obtained a certification in Home Economics, and earned her teaching certificate.

Marian was always industrious and worked at a variety of jobs through high school and college, including several summers spent working at her beloved Jacob Lake in Arizona.

After her college years, Marian served a service mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Peru where she met, served, and fell in love with the Peruvian people. At the end of Marian's mission, her mom joined her in Peru, and together they toured magnificent Machu Picchu.

Marian loved the wintertime! She greatly enjoyed winter sports such as sleigh riding, ice skating, and most especially, skiing.

After graduating from BYU, Marian taught summer classes in Family Sciences and Home Economics, and during the winters she worked as a full-time ski instructor at Deer Valley Resort in Park City, Utah. Within just a few years, Marian headed up the children’s ski school at Deer Valley and relished working with the young children on the hill.

After 10 years of full-time winter employment at Deer Valley Resort, Marian became employed at the Summit Water Distribution Company in Park City, Utah. She also continued to work part-time as a ski instructor at Deer Valley. This she continued to do until the last year of her life, instructing thousands of students over her 35 years of devotion to a job she absolutely loved. It was through her work as a ski instructor that she met and interacted with ski clients from all around the world. Marian was responsible for teaching almost all of her nieces and nephews how to ski and carried on that tradition with her grand niece and grand nephews.

Marian enthusiastically and lovingly served in many church callings. She held both ward and stake positions and created many eternal, loving, and cherished relationships through those callings. She adored serving in her many positions in the ward primary and in the Spanish-speaking branch.

Marian spent her life doting on and loving her nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews, and great grand nephew. She was unfailing in her support of them in their achievements, activities, and milestones. Aunt Marian was their biggest fan!

Marian is survived by her five siblings: Rexine Blaser Pitcher, Gwyllum Ricks Blaser (Beth), Sherman Ricks Blaser (Ellen), Jared Ricks Blaser (Rebecca), and Deon Blaser Sagers (Dave); seven nieces, eight nephews, 11 great-nieces, 14 great-nephews, and 1 great-great-nephew. She is preceded in death by her parents, Gwyllum Grosnick Blaser and Beaulah Ricks Blaser. Services will be on April 14, 2022, at the Olympic Park Ward, 2300 Monitor Drive, Park City, Utah. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Funeral services will begin at 12:00 p.m. Interment will be at Sutton Cemetery in Archer, Idaho, on Friday, April 15, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

For those unable to attend the service, the family invites you to join via Zoom at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87972285273. A free Zoom account is required, and you will need to sign in to join the meeting.