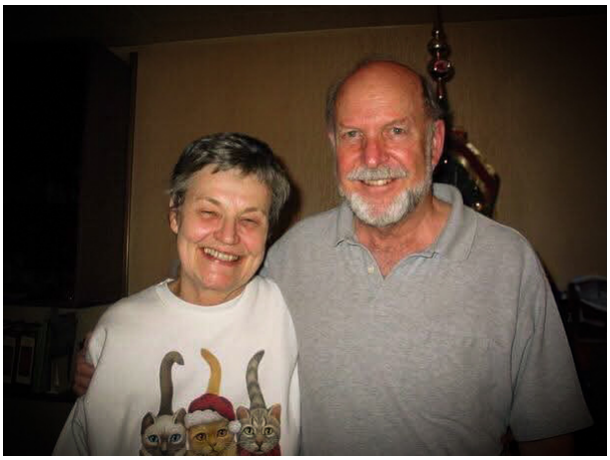


Mary Ellen and Charles Biesele

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Mary Ellen Biesele was born into the loving arms of her parents, Stanley and Gar Fae on November 12, 1939, in Salt Lake City, Utah. She grew up in Salina, Utah where she helped her father with his cattle ranch. She drove a tractor at a young age and rode horses like poetry in motion through the alfalfa and corn fields. Her favorite childhood companions were her springer spaniel, Freckles, and her books. She also took to the piano with a divine talent, and poured her soul into Beethoven, Rachmaninov, and Chopin pieces. She attended Wasatch Academy, Utah's only boarding school at the time, where she made life-long friends. We think this is why she has devoted thousands of hours to reading Harry Potter books in her declining years. While attending the University of Utah, she met her future husband and lifelong companion Charles W. Biesele. Her life's course changed with the births of her two children, Brenda and Stan. As she raised her children she applied her math and bookkeeping skills where she was employed at Motorola and KALL radio in Salt Lake City. Mom was grateful when Brenda brought home the perfect son-in-law Jeff Goates. Mom treated her daughter-in-law Shellie as her own and together the family spent many Sundays and Super Bowls cheering their sometimes opposing teams in a boisterous manner. She was always happy to help raise her grandchildren any chance she could while passing on her wisdom and diverse love of music onto them.

Her infectious laughter, sharp wit and beautiful crocheted afghans were her greatest gifts to her friends and family. She was her family's cheerleader and shoulder to cry on. She is survived by her children, Brenda (Jeff) and Stanley (Shellie) her sisters, Betty and Victoria, her grandchildren Shantell, Nick, Ali, BreAnne, Alexis, Austin, Tyler and great-granddaughters Sylver, Blu, Eeva and Iris along with many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

Charles W. Biesele 1938 - May 2022. Chuck Biesele joined his one true love, Mary Ellen Biesele, in The Great Beyond at a good old age of 84. His long life in the pursuit of happiness included teaching dance lessons with TV legend Fireman Frank, square dancing with Ellen, playing cards with his buddies, collecting comic books, playing golf, piloting small prop planes, cycling tours, genealogy, and playing Dungeons and Dragons in the role of Dungeon Master.

As a Mechanical Engineer, he designed contraptions for Kennecot Copper, Morton Thiakol, and Hercules and had a passion for technology. He was always happy to help teach a new computer program to anyone who wanted to learn, especially his grandchildren.

Dad had a soft spot for his grandchildren and always had hugs and I love you's for them and was happy to let them dote on him as he told them stories of his youth. Children and pets always felt safe around him, and rightfully so.

Charles was preceded in death by the love of his life, Mary Ellen, his parents Mildred and Ferdinand, and sister Zelita. He is survived by his brother Bill and his wife Susan, his Daughter Brenda and her husband Jeff, his son

Stan and his wife Shellie, his Grandchildren: Shantell, Nick, Ali, BreAnne, Alexis, Austin and Tyler, great grandchildren: Sylver, Blu, Eeva and Iris

Thanks for your steady support, lessons and love, dad. We love you and miss you greatly.