

Nelda Bonella Peterson

September 30, 1938 ~ June 21, 2024

Nelda Bonella Peterson passed away June 21, 2024. She was born on September 30, 1938 to Burtolameo Bonella and Nellie Headman Bonella in Salt Lake City, Utah. After her father passed away when she was 6 years old, she helped her mom raise her 4 brothers and sister. She got a job at a young age to buy her own clothes and her first car. Eventually, she was able put herself through school to become a medical records transcriptionist.

She worked at University of Utah hospital, FHP and Castle View Hospital where she was the manager of the Medical Records Department.

Nelda met Noal Peterson and the two of them were married January 14, 1961. After Noal and Nelda were married, they started camping and boating with their best friends for many years. They boated at many lakes around Utah and especially loved Lake Powell. Our family has many memories of these trips. She was bless to go on many trips with her aunt to Hong Kong, Hawaii and several cruises. She loved shopping, eating at restaurants, going to the theater, traveling to St George and reading.

In 1985 Nelda and Noal moved to Ferron, Utah for his job with the power company. When they visited Salt Lake they enjoyed taking the family to her favorite burger joint, Astro Burger. They moved to Riverton in 2015 where they made many new friends. They were happy to be closer to their family.

Mom started the Black Friday shopping spree with all of the girls many years ago. That tradition continues to this day. She was known to be strong, independent and always kept her home immaculate.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years; daughters Noreen (Ryan) Pruyt, Natalie (Paul) Brenneman and son Phillip (Amy) Peterson.She is also survived by grandchildren: Magen, McKenzie, Whitney, Kristopher, Courtney, McKayla, Reina, Blake and Miles; 13 great-grandchildren; brothers Hal (Kathy) Bonella, Gene (Teryl) Bonella, Monte (SueAnn) Bonella; many brother and sister in-laws, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother Ray, sister Dixie, and great-grandson Dylan.

She was an amazing mom and grandma. We are going to miss her so much.

Funeral services will be held at 11am on Monday, July 1, 2024 at Larkin Mortuary – Riverton, 3688 West 12600 South in Riverton, Utah. A viewing will be held at the same location Sunday evening, June 30, 2024 from 6-8PM as well as Monday prior to services beginning at 10AM. Interment will follow at the Riverton City Cemetery.

Funeral services will be streamed via Zoom for those wishing to attend virtually.