

Nilda Angelica Pinto Castleton

January 3, 1941 ~ September 5, 2021

Nilda Castleton passed away at home on Sunday, Sept 5, 2021 due to injuries sustained from a fall. She was born January 3, 1941 to Luis Alberto and Olga Elena Pinto in Santiago, Chile. She was the older of two children. Her brother Claudio was born on her first birthday. She enjoyed long conversations with her dad on a wide variety of topics from metaphysics to history, politics to philosophy. She studied from Western Civilization classics. She learned French, English and Latin, graduating high school at age 16. She was a dedicated student, her dad having encouraged her to read any book on any subject. If she could support her understanding and decisions with reason, he would support them, even if he disagreed with them. He taught her to reason instead of using emotions. She learned to play the piano and for a while considered a career as a concert pianist.

In her teens, she met missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, an event that would change the entire course of her life, indeed, her eternity. Despite initially suspecting the missionaries might be CIA plants, she decided to listen to them. As with every other decision she made, and with encouragement from her father, she listened, studied, and prayed about the message they shared. Having reasoned, and then confirmed with prayer, she was converted to the gospel of Jesus Christ and joined the church- a decision to which she remained steadfast the rest of her life. She went on to serve a mission and later served as personal secretary to the mission president.

She met the love of her eternity, Lloyd Vernon Castleton, during her service in the mission home. After a brief courtship, they decided to marry and she headed to Utah to complete her education while he remained in Chile to finish his duties with the Peace Corps. They married in the Salt Lake Temple on July 2, 1965. Ever inseparable, Lloyd and Nilda raised their family of four kids (Kayle Vernon, Clief, Cammy, and Kyron) throughout Central and South America, eventually settling in Orange County, California. Wherever they were, they served the Lord in whatever capacity they could. Their favorite church service was as temple workers at the San Diego Temple, and later the Draper Temple where they had moved after retiring to be closer to their kids and grandkids, having served a total of 23 years.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Cammy (1973), her son Kyron (1986), and her cherished husband, Lloyd in 2008. She is survived by her two oldest sons, Kayle Vernon (Gwen DeYoung) and Clief (Lorrie Thurman), as well as her younger brother Claudio (Marina Soto), and 16 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren (and counting).

A viewing will be held on Thursday, Sept 9th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 S.), Sandy, Utah. A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, Sept. 10th at 1:00 p.m. with a viewing beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Granite View Stake Center, 9880 South 3100 East, Sandy, UT. Interment to follow services at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 S.), Sandy, UT. To watch previously

held services please visit
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