# Doris Butters McPhie

*April 7, 1930 ~ February 6, 2018*

DORIS BUTTERS MCPHIE, 87, of Salt Lake City, Utah passed away at Scott and Kristie's home in Bozeman Montana, on February 6, 2018.

Dodie was born April 7, 1930 in Salt Lake City Utah, the second of three daughters born to Tim O. and Gladys Smith Butters. She married a good looking "older man" and love of her life, Cal McPhie on October 20, 1950. They lived to celebrate 64 years of marriage. Both had unconditional love for each other and for those around them. They spent their honeymoon deer hunting with Cal's buddies. Now that's unconditional love!!

Dodie was a graduate of East High and the University of Utah where she received her BS of Nursing. As a teen, Dodie had her first lung surgery. Exposure to the wonders and challenges of medicine influenced her to pursue nursing which she loved. Strong bonds made while caring for others were eased and strengthened by Dodie's gifted joke telling. She worked her entire career at LDS Hospital starting in the nursery, then Labor and delivery, the thoracic intensive care unit and eventually medical records. Dodie was a lifelong student and loved to learn. She often attended grand rounds and was one of the first intensive care nurses at LDS Hospital.

Childhood summers were spent at her parent's ranch in the Uintah Basin where she loved helping with the sheep and riding horses. Winters in Salt Lake were wondrous for a girl who loved school and a big supportive family centered around her grandmother's home on Virginia Street.

Always active, Dodie loved biking, running, skiing, hiking into the mountains and golfing with the Bonneville ladies league. She grew up catching trout with a willow fishing "pole" and recalled catching large spawners near Yellowstone Park with her bare hands, which Cal teased her about forever!

She and Cal owned Little Mountain Ski area up Emigration Canyon starting in 1951 where so many kids learned to ski!! They were very active with Intermountain Ski Association and Utah Ski Archives.

Dodie enjoyed quilting with family, knitting and loved doing needlepoint with her "needlepoint ladies". She was a patron of the arts enjoying the ballet as well as live theatre and anything Ute sports related.

She loved to exercise and worked all her life to be healthy. She had an amazing smile and impeccable fashion sense. She taught her children the value of family and how important they are in our lives. As a mother she was a great listener but didn't hesitate to say what she thought! As a nurse she was often sought out for help or assistance. She was spot on with what was wrong and how to fix it or make it feel better. The kids could NEVER feign sickness as she saw right through it.

Dodie was proceeded in death by her parents Gladys and Tim Butters, her beloved husband Cal, sister Annette B. Hadley, 2 infant sons David, Mark and son Matt. Mom is survived by her son Scott McPhie (Kristie), Bozeman, Montana, daughter Lisa Cox, Herriman, Utah and her sister Catherine Strebel South Jordan, Utah. Grandchildren:

Meagan McPhie Binenstock (Stuart), Mark Eagle McPhie (Cindi McDaniel), Heather McPhie Watanabe (Graham), MacKenzie Leavitt (Cameron), Caitlin Cox, Mark Cox (Emily), Brent Cox (Megan), Cindy Winget (David), Karen Ford, Darin Cox (Katy Edgar) and Michelle Cox.

Also surviving her are 17.5 great-grandchildren, many beloved nieces, nephews, her dog Sophie and friends. Mom could sew, mend or cook anything; we wish she were here right now to make her famous chocolate chip cookies or chicken soup and comfort us as she has for many over the years. Love ya too much!!!!!

A viewing will be held to honor this unique and feisty woman on Friday February 16th from 6:00pm - 8:00 pm at Larkin Sunset Lawn 2350 East 1300 South, Salt Lake City. Funeral Services will be on Saturday February 17th at 12:00 pm at the Monument Park Stake Center located at 1325 South Wasatch Drive (2400 East). There will be a viewing held before the services on Saturday from 10:00 am - 11:30am at the Monument Park Stake Center.