

Patricia Brazier Hewlett Goates

April 27, 1948 ~ July 25, 2023

“I love the Holy Ghost with all my heart, and I can’t express how grateful I am for the gift it is in my life. I have often said I don’t think I could have survived through this life without the Holy Ghost.”

Nothing describes Patsy Brazier Hewlett Goates better than her simple statement quoted above. In the silence of her hospital room in the early morning hours of July 25, 2023, she slipped away quietly and peacefully into the spirit world. Her potential passing came suddenly upon us all without any warning. We gathered frequently over the past two weeks to revel in her glowing spirit and the joy of her existence: her husband, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was a true disciple of Jesus Christ. Patsy knew the power of prayer and called upon it at all times. She enjoyed many callings in the Church, but particularly loved working as a missionary in the Professional Placement Program of Employment Resource Center in Salt Lake. Patsy excelled at encouraging those around her to reach their potential. She loved the temple and cherished the opportunity to serve as an ordinance worker with her husband David in the Salt Lake Temple. A diligent student of the scriptures, she prioritized her study and then lived what she learned in those pages.

Patsy tirelessly served her family and rejoiced in any opportunity to gather with them at the Ranch to celebrate, enjoy good food, and perpetuate the rich traditions that unite us. Her beloved posterity is her ultimate legacy: Jeff (Kim), Dianne (Clark Bayles), Emily (Jay Warnick), Mike (Kris), Steve (Tina), Rich (Shauna), Joe (Toni), Melanie (Phil Sharp), Jake (Heidi), Allie (Tanner Venema), Andrew (Jessica), and Merilee (Michael Litchfield). Her youngest daughter Adrienne preceded her in death, and we rejoice in their reunion.

Quick with a smile and a plate of cookies, she wore out her physical body as a testament of her love. She has gone ahead for a while and will prepare every needful thing for all of us. She laid down all her burdens at the feet of her Exemplar, the Lord Jesus Christ, and like Him, it could be said of her:

And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen. (John 21:25).

Please join us for a celebration of her life at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 29, 2023, at the Francis Ward building located at 387 W. Last Frontier Lane, Francis, UT 84036. A visitation will be held on Friday evening from 6-8pm as well as from 9:00-10:30 am prior to the funeral. Interment will be in the Woodland Cemetery.