



Ann Taylor Bowler

Sept. 21, 1941 ~ Feb. 12, 2023

Priscilla Ann Taylor Bowler passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 12, 2023, of natural causes. Ann was born in Salt Lake City, Utah on September 21, 1941, the only daughter of George Douglas and Elsie Taylor. She remembered with delight her upbringing on Millcreek Way and her days at Olympus High School with her two brothers, Steve and Rog and her best friend, Margaret Pugsley.

She graduated in art from the University of Utah before living in New York City, Paris and finally, Palo Alto, California where she met Ken Bowler. They were married in 1967 in the Salt Lake City temple for time and all eternity.

They moved to Madison, Wisconsin where they welcomed their first daughter, Alex. Ken then began his career in Washington, DC, and the family eventually moved to Columbia, Maryland where Erinn, Chris and Zach joined the family and where they would live for the next 50 years.

Ann was born with an abundance of creativity and artistic talent, an adventurous spirit and a love of all living things and all people.

As a young adult, she loved working at Zion National Park, hiking, skiing, traveling through Europe on five dollars a day and making new and lifelong friends along the way.

The adventures continued as she raised her family, taking annual trips to the beach, trips abroad with Ken's work and her favorite, a trip to Africa with her brother Steve where she taught dental hygiene.

Ann had the opportunity to paint the portraits of important people in the LDS faith including President David O. McKay in his later years and President Henry B. Eyring as a young boy. Her artistic talents were not limited to any one medium; however, and she created countless beautiful works of art of every variety, from her oil paintings to the clothes she designed and made to the amazing pots of flowers in her yard.

Ann loved her children and grandchildren fiercely and treasured any opportunity to share her knowledge and love of art, animals, cooking, gardening and design. She never tired of attending their numerous performances, games, concerts and recitals. She was and will always be their biggest fan.

Ann loved to laugh, and her laugh was one you would never forget. She laughed with her whole soul. She was smart, witty and warm. She loved being surrounded by people, and her home was always open to any weary traveler. She made everyone feel special, cared for and heard. Her empathy knew no bounds, nor did her gift giving!

Ann was a devoted member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints serving in many callings, and always going the extra mile. For years, she provided a meal every Monday night to all of the young single adults in her congregation. She had an enduring testimony of Jesus Christ and eternal life which brought her tremendous comfort when she lost her younger brother Roger several years ago and when her daughter Erinn suffered a life-threatening illness.

Ann is survived by her husband, Marion Kenneth Bowler, her brother Stephen Taylor (Shirley), her children, Alexandra Franco-Tuten (Eric), Erinn Balls (Adam), Chris Bowler (Ada), Zach Bowler, and her grandchildren, Spencer, Jackson, Jace, Anderson, Grant (Laura), Sam, Emma, Abby, Sadie, Annie, John, Lily and step-grandchildren, Marshall and Emerson.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents, her older brother, Harold "Hal" Jenkins, her younger brother, Roger Taylor and her nephew, Mark Taylor, with whom we are sure she is having a joyful reunion with loads of laughter.

Funeral services for Ann will be held at 10AM on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at the Cottonwood 5th Ward, 5913 South Highland Drive in Holladay, Utah. A time to gather with the family will be held prior to the services beginning at 9AM. Interment to follow at the Memorial Holladay Cemetery.

Funeral services will be streamed via Zoom for those wishing to attend virtually or unable to attend in person. You must have a personal Zoom account to watch the services. To watch the previously held funeral services, please click the "Watch Services" link above.