



## Ruby Dorius Brown

*October 22, 1937 ~ November 29, 2024*

Ruby D. Brown, 87, completed her earthly journey and passed away peacefully in her home on Friday, November 29, leaving a void her family cannot fill.

She was born in Sterling, Utah, on October 22, 1937, to Iva Mills and Elden Heber Dorius. She met her sweetheart through friends. They got engaged on Christmas Eve 1959 and married on New Year's Eve a week later. They spent their early married life in Georgia where John was stationed in the military. They later moved back to Utah where they began their family.

Ruby was a devoted wife to John Brown, and together they built a life full of love and shared experiences. For 65 years, Ruby's love for John was nothing short of extraordinary. After an accident left him in a wheelchair, Ruby became his constant caregiver – not out of obligation, but out of deep, selfless love. For over 3 decades, she provided him with the kind of care that only someone who truly understands the meaning of commitment can offer. Through every challenge, she remained by his side, ensuring he had what he needed to live with dignity and comfort. Her loyalty to John during that time was a testament to the strength of their bond, and it was an example of love in its purest form.

Ruby's love didn't end with her husband; it extended to her 9 children: Shelley (Jim) Birch, Michael (Kim), Richard (Kim), Warren (Kim), Greg (Karen), Jonna (Chris) Woodward, Jeremy (Terri), Karen (Jake) Bennion, and Emily (Mike) Faulkner, as well as 26 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. As a mother, Ruby was the glue that held her family together. She worked tirelessly to provide for them, nurture them, and raise them with the values of kindness, responsibility, and hard work. But what many will remember most fondly is how Ruby's heart grew even fuller with the arrival of each new grandchild and great-grandchild. There was a special light in her eyes when a new little one entered the world. She adored her grandchildren, and the joy they brought to her life was immeasurable. Each new addition to the family was a source of happiness, and she treasured every moment spent with them. Whether it was holding them in her arms, sharing stories, or simply showering them with love, Ruby was a grandmother who made each grandchild feel uniquely special.

Ruby's family was everything to her. Her children and grandchildren were the center of her world, and she showed them what it meant to love unconditionally. She was proud of each of them, and her heart swelled with love for every one of her grandchildren, from the youngest to the oldest. She knew the importance of family, and she made sure that every moment with them was filled with love.

As we reflect on Ruby's life, we remember her for the love she gave, the sacrifices she made, and the strength she showed. She taught us all what it means to care deeply for others, to be loyal, and to love without limits. Ruby was a woman who believed in family, in kindness, and in the power of love. Her legacy will live on in the lives of her children and grandchildren, in the lessons she imparted, and in the love she shared with everyone fortunate enough to know her.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, John, and grandson, Brigham Woodward. She is survived by her 9 children and their families.

A viewing will be Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 6-8 p.m. and Friday, December 6, 2024, from 8:30-9:15 a.m. at the Hillcrest 5th Ward, 915 East 9045 South in Sandy, Utah. Funeral service will be Friday, December 6, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the same location. Interment will be at the Mountain View Cemetery, 3115 Bengal Blvd, Cottonwood Heights.