

Valerie Patricia Umberger Smith

September 14, 1934 ~ February 7, 2024

Bountiful UT – Valerie Smith passed away peacefully surrounded by family & friends. Val was born in Albany, California, to Glen Phillips Umberger & Patricia Walsh. At 9 years of age they moved to Salt Lake City, Capital Hill area. She attended West High School, then the University of Utah, where she met her eternal companion, Ariel E Smith. They were sealed for time and all eternity September 23, 1954, in the Salt Lake Temple. Moved to Pennsylvania where Ariel was working, and they started their family. In 1961 they moved to Bountiful, Utah, in the Val Verda area. Their family continued to grow.

Mother was always busy with family & church callings. She lovingly cared for her invalid mother for 10 years. Valerie was a voracious reader & learner. Her love of the scriptures & her testimony blossomed over the years, especially during the many missions she & Ariel served. She easily made lifelong friends that she loved dearly. Her passions were chocolate, Family Search, painting, teaching, family & friends. Above all, her life was filled with service due to her strong testimony in our LORD and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Valerie is survived by her sweetheart, Ariel, and children: Duane (Cindie) Smith, Melody (Dirk) Bodily, Greg (Ann) Smith, Patricia (Barry) Hatch, Lloyd (Estie) Smith, Sherri (Steve) Harris; and her brother Forrest (Jan) Umberger. 28 grandchildren, 56 great-grandchildren. Valerie is preceded in death by her parents, a granddaughter, & a great-grandson.

The service to honor Valerie will be held Saturday, February 17, 2024, at their stake center located at 3599 S Orchard Dr, Bountiful, UT. Family & friends may visit at a viewing from 9:30-10:30am. The funeral will follow at 11:00am. Interment will be at Bountiful Cemetery, 200 W 2224 S, Bountiful, UT.

To watch the recorded service, please click on the Watch Service button above.