Obituaries

Marlene Lila Holladay Boyer

May 9, 1942 ~ May 19, 2024

Taylorsville, Utah—Our dearly loved daughter, sister, spouse, mother, aunt, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend passed away in her home on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 7:45 pm.

Our mother, Marlene, was surrounded by the love of family and friends on Sunday. As her time was drawing close, her tiny body was held by her children as a silent prayer was made asking Heavenly Father to help her transition to the other side. As the prayer concluded, she peacefully took her last breath and passed with our Savior's love and guidance to the other side. Our mother was greeted with a joyous reunion of the people she loved most dearly here on earth. Her mother Lila, her daughter Stacie, her great-grandma Margaret, her nephew Robbie, her spouse Gary, and many, many other loved ones.

Marlene was born to Paul Smith Jensen and Lila Lucille Luker on May 9, 1942, in Salt Lake City, UT. She grew up in Sugar House and graduated from Highland High School. She remained close to friendships (Ginger, Carolyn and Lynn) that were formed in childhood and endured the remainder of her life.

Marlene was married to Larry Kent Holladay on August 6, 1961. She and Larry had five children. Due to circumstances beyond either person's control, their marriage was dissolved in 1974.

Marlene was left with 5 young children to provide for in the early 70's as a divorcee. Our mother, with her mother's help, was able to buy a home for us to live in and provide all the necessities needed for our family to survive. Our mother returned to school at Trade Tech in Taylorsville in the mid-seventies and earned certificates in accounting, shorthand, and other clerical skills. She was hired by the State of Utah Department of Workforce Services in 1978 and worked there until her retirement in June of 2002. She made a very special friend, Deb Servis, while employed with the State of Utah. She and Debbie remained friends long after both retired and saw each other frequently up to our mother's passing yesterday.

Marlene married the love of her life, Gary Thomas Boyer, on April 21, 2000, after dating for 14 years. They both very much loved animals, particularly dogs, and had a very special companion named Max for many years. They enjoyed the outdoors, hiking and camping with their friends Ginger and Palle, traveling, and supporting the U of U football program.

Marlene was a very talented artist and extremely creative. Her yard was the most beautiful yard in the neighborhood and something she thoroughly enjoyed working in.

Marlene was very determined and a hard worker that never gave up. If she couldn't figure a way to do something she wouldn't give up until she found another solution.

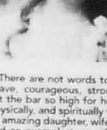
Marlene was an amazing grandmother. There are so many wonderful memories of family functions with the grandkids and great grandkids over a span of 38 years.

Marlene is preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Lila Jensen, her nephew, Robert Smith Jensen, her daughter Stacie Holladay Mansfield, and her spouse, Gary Thomas Boyer who passed away one week before her on Mother's Day, May 12th.

Marlene is survived by her four children, Scott Holladay, Susan Holladay, Stephanie Merrill, and Shawn Holladay. She has 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

We would like to express extra gratitude to our brother Shawn who cared for our mother night and day until the end. He was a loyal son who loved our mother dearly.

A joint Celebration of Life is scheduled for Saturday, June 1, 2024 at the McDougal Event Center 4306 South Redwood Road, Taylorsville, Utah, from 12 pm - 2 pm. Interment for both our mother Marlene and our father Gary will take place at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park and Mortuary in Millcreek following their Celebration of Life.



Darci Ann Hogensen Riccardi

1977-2024

Cottonwood Heights, Utah—Darci Ann Hogensen Riccardi, 47, passed from this mortal life on May 21st and into the loving arms of her Heavenly Father. She entered this world on February 1, 1977, her parents, Phillip Charles Hogensen, Jr. and Ann Beveridge Hogensen welcomed her with so much love. Her half-sister, Stephanie was excited to have a new baby sister.

There are not words to express what an awesome, beautiful, brave, courageous, strong, and loving person Darci is! She set the bar so high for her family to deal emotionally, mentally, physically, and spiritually with difficult situations and trials. She is an amazing daughter, wife, mother, sister, aunt, niece, and friend, and an example to us all. She had the most kind and humble heart and was always thinking of others first. Darci and her mother had a very special bond and Darci was her mother's best friend and confidante. Her presence brought light and warmth to every gathering.

Darci loved working at Wheeler Farm, and serving others with kindness and understanding. Through all her battles with breast cancer, malignant colon and bone cancer, it was lung cancer that took Darci from us so quickly.

Darci is survived by her husband, Lenny Riccardi; her son, Julien Jensen (Georgia); her step-sons Glo (Maria) and Vincent; her parents, Phillip, Jr. and Ann Hogensen; and her brother, Phillip (Caitlin). She adored her nephews, Charlie and Nicky Hogensen. Her extended family includes many aunts, uncles, and cousins. We will all miss her kind and happy personality. Her absence leaves a profound void.

She was welcomed on the other side of the veil by her grandparents, Pops and Babs (Phillip and Barbara Hogensen), Grandpa Doc and Grandma Jean (Robert and Jean Beveridge) and her sister, Stephanie Hogensen Maack and many aunts, uncles and friends who have passed before her.

Family and friends are invited to a viewing on Friday, May 31, 2024 from 10:00 am-11:45 am at Memorial Cottonwood-Holladay Funeral Home, 4670 South Highland Drive, Holladay, UT, 84117. A Celebration of Life will follow that evening at The Cottonwood Country Club, 1780 East Lakewood Drive, in Holladay, UT, 84117, from 6:00-8:30 PM.

We love you, Darci. You will always be in our hearts.

A private burial will be at Memorial Holladay Cemetery.

Annette Volert-Nielsen

1946-2024

Salt Lake City—Annette Volert-Nielsen passed away peacefully on May 14, 2024 in her home comforted by her fur babies (Miss Duke and Buddy) holding the hand of her "adopted" daughter Kammy Smith.

Annette was born on April 24, 1946, in Aarhus, Denmark. She immigrated to Salt Lake City, Utah with her mother when she was 4 years old. Annette never married and did not have any biological children she created a very large "adopted" family within her community by consistently engaging with everyone around her. She will be missed by all of those she leaves behind, but we celebrate her reunion with her mother who was her best friend and "partner in crime".

We will be celebrating her life with services on May 31st and June 1st. Arrangements have been entrusted to Memorial Mortuaries & Cemeteries. Please visit www.memorialutah.com for more details and an extended version of the obituary.

Michael Francis Ortega

June 21, 1960 ~ May 20, 2024

Michael Francis Ortega, age 63, of Salt Lake City, Utah, passed away on May 20, 2024. Born on June 21, 1960, in Manheim, Germany. Michael was a truly one-of-a-kind and beloved individual who touched the lives of many.

Michael was forever in the pursuit of truth, connection, and knowledge. He had a sharp wit and a knack for bringing laughter to any gathering. His unique approach to life, moving to a softer and slower beat, encouraged those around him to cherish the present moment. Michael often found solace in serving the under privileged, and there is no degree of measurement that we can use to state the impact he had in and around his community. Michael's spiritual journey and thirst for knowledge led him to study two different times at the Catholic seminary, to live a period as a Buddhist monk, and then back to the ancient Catholic brotherhood of the Penitentes. Michael earned his bachelor's degree in human resources from the University of Phoenix. His dedication to education shone through in his work as Senior Enrollment Counselor in the School of Technology at Western Governors University, where he had an unwavering belief that access knowledge was evident in his 10 years there. Michael helped 1,759 students graduate, which does not count the many people he trained and assisted to do the same.

Michael leaves behind his very spoiled and loved cat, Jameson Whitecloud Ortega. He is survived by his mother, Helga Ortega. By his sister Sandra, her daughters Amanda (husband Greg, children Lander and Miranda) and Cassandra (husband Jeremy, children Aaliyah, Danika, and Malachi). His brother John. His sister Debbie, and her children Brian (children Jordan, Ariel, Ryan and Riley) Spencer (wife Knitea, daughter Vadeya) and Marisa (son Zade). His brother Henry (wife Deanna) and their children Tyler (wife Courtnee, and children Brantlee, Briggsley, and future baby girl) Erica (husband Parker) and Sierra (husband Dylan, and children Malcolm, and future baby girl). His sister Tricia (husband Hal) and their children Carson (wife Jen, and children Ava, Dakota, and Milo) and Jodi. Michael was preceded in death by his father Bino (Balbino Ortega), sister Silvia, sister-in-law Candace Ortega and her daughter Jolynn Frantz, nephew Christian Foote, and many other cherished family members and friends.

A funeral service to honor Michael will be held on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at St. Therese Catholic Church in Midvale, Utah. The viewing will begin at 10:00 am, followed by a Rosary at 10:30 am, and the Funeral Mass at 11:00 am. A Graveside service at Lake Hills Memorial will follow the Mass, with a Luncheon following at St. Therese Catholic Church.

"If you want to see the brave, look at those who forgive. If you want to see the heroic, look at those who can love in return for hatred." -The Bhagavard Gita quoted in Legacy of the Heart by Wayne Muller.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Huntsman Cancer Institute and Hospital to honor Michael's memory. (https://give.huntsmancancerorg/page/66449/donate/1)

Rest in peace, Michael. Your legacy of kindness, humor, and wisdom will forever be cherished by those who knew you.

www.goffmortuary.com

Frederick William Pink

1943 ~ 2024

Frederick William Pink, (81) of Salt Lake City, Utah, passed away after a long and loving life on May 3rd, 2024. He fought to stay with us, but in the end, it was his time and his brave heart stopped beating.

Fred was born in Wick, Scotland on March 27th, 1943. He traveled around the globe as a young boy and met and it was during these travels he acquired his naturally knowledge, creativity and passion for his interests. Throughout his life, he always conquered what he set out to do. He was an engineer, a business owner, a general manager at a Lamborghini dealership, and an accomplished realtor/lease negotiator for many years. He always said "if a job's worth doing, it's worth doing well" and stubbornly lived up to that mantra.

Fred will forever be remembered as an incredibly loyal husband, dad, grandad and great-grandad. He always had a mischievous twinkle in his eye and a terrible dad joke he wanted to share. He loved taking pictures, especially of his family and the birds that lived and visited the pond behind his home. He was able to capture many incredible shots of his feathered friends, but he was especially keen on the pelicans and lone bald eagle that visited over the years.

He is survived by the love of his life, Jenny, who he was completely smitten with for over 52 years. Also survived by his two sons, Simon (Nicki) and Chris (Jen), and his daughter Kelly (Steve). His grandchildren, Allen (Haley), Gemma, Sophie, Eva, Clara, Noah, Macey, Jack and great-grandson Huxley all benefited from his love and humor, and will miss him dearly. He is also survived by his sister, Carolyn (Roy) and brother Adrian (Alyson).

Private services were held. Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, June 27th from 6-8 PM at St. Vincent's Holy Family Hall, 1375 Spring Lane, Holladay.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to a charity that makes you smile, just like our loving husband, brother, dad and grandad always did.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks Funeral Parlor. Please visit www.Starksfuneral.com to share photos and memories with Fred's family.

Adam Phillips

1971-2024

Adam Burke Phillips passed away on February 15, 2024, at the age of 52, in Millcreek, Utah. Born on May 17th, 1971, in Salt Lake City, Utah, Adam was raised in the Lower Avenues of Salt Lake City. He married Lisa on October 4th, 1999. Adam's happiest times and accomplishments included being an independent artist. His artistic styles included various art mediums including painting on furniture, clothing, shoes, leather cuff bracelets and belts. In his youth, Adam worked at Phillips Gallery making frames and taking the time to draw.

After attending the Western Culinary Institute in Portland, Oregan, Adam worked as a chef in various restaurants in the Salt Lake Valley and cooking remained one of his life's passions. He really enjoyed making people laugh and putting a smile on their faces by telling jokes. For he was known as a long-time "Joke-Master". Adam made friends easily.

We witnessed so many times in Adam's life when he endeavored to do the right thing and have fun doing it. His drawings reflect that exploration. Also, Adam had a great tattoo on his back from shoulder to shoulder in beautiful calligraphy, and it is the word "forgiveness." We will miss his love, wisdom, art, and follies.

He is survived by his wife Lisa, and Lisa's daughter Taylor, who Adam loved and raised as his own, his parents Bonnie and Denis (Denis passed away the following week), older brother Benjamin, nephews and nieces, Aaron, Jonah, Rosie and Lily. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Marvin and Peggy Phillips and Jane Dooly Porter. We would like to send our gratitude to our family, friends, gallery employees and artists who have expressed their sympathies and support. Services will be announced at a later date.

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Tim Dorny Peterson Sr.

2/23/1944 - 5/11/2024

Salt Lake City, UT—Artist, baker, pastry chef, skier, mountain biker. Born in Salt Lake, raised in Sugar House when it was on the edge of the city. Tim was the youngest of three brothers doted on by his loving mother Betty and trained in photography and sports by his father Willis.

While earning his degree in Sociology at the University of Utah (with a minor in the Birdcage Lounge), an Art Department trip to Mexico in the late sixties sparked his lifelong love of painting and illustration. He completed a second degree from the U in Graphic Design in the nineties. Photographing skiing while working in kitchens at Alta and Snowbird blended his creative passions in the seventies. In Little Cottonwood, he married and fathered a son to whom he gave the gift of photography.

Loyal, kind, funny, and soulful, Tim loved his work baking and making pastries, skiing beautifully and flawlessly (no one ever saw him fall), and mountain biking (he fell over the handlebars frequently). Always artistically prolific, Tim hit his stride with his magnum opus linocut series on the characters of the imagined town of Thompsonville, Utah – the Mcnaco of the Arizona Strip. From Panama Thompson (riverboat gambler on the Virgin River) to Grandpa Thompson's cow library (where cattle are borrowed, not rustled), Thompsonville is as limitlessly colorful and unconventional as his vibrant imagination.

Tim had a rich and strong spiritual life, taking voluminous notes on Bible Doctrine until he could no longer write from R.B. Thieme Jr.'s recorded sermons at Berachah Church. It was Tim's wish that his body be donated to science and that he will teach medical students at the University of Utah. Upon release, his ashes will be interred at Memorial Lake Hills Cemetery in Sandy, Utah, alongside his mother and father. Dorny's artwork will be given freely to family and friends at his celebration of life to be held in view of his beloved Wasatch Mountains this fall.

Tim was preceded in death by his brother Jan (Amanda) of Midway, UT. He is survived by his son Tim Jr. (Anna) of Durango, CO, and brother W. Gary Peterson (Merna, deceased) of Sterling, UT. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in his memory to Saltgrass Printmakers, a non-profit open print shop in Salt Lake where he found a welcoming community.

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Wendy Bishop Pitts

1968-2024

Phoenix, AZ —Wendy Bishop Pitts was born in Salt Lake City on November 15, 1968 to Nelda Moench Bishop and Bruce Grant Lyman Bishop. She graduated from Bountiful High in 1987 and from the University of Utah with a degree in business in 1991. She is the mother of Jackson Gardner, the much adored oldest Bishop grandchild.

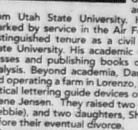
After Wendy managed medical offices for many years, beginning with her dad's dermatology office, she became more interested in the medical side and became a physician assistant at the age of 47. She found her dream job working with her doctor brother Dan Bishop in the Emergency Department at St. Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix, Arizona.

In 2012 she married the love of her life, Christopher Pitts. Their love was unmatched. They spent the next 12 years traveling, eating good food, and laughing. Wendy adored her "husband candy."

Unfortunately, ovarian cancer attacked in 2021 and became relentless. She battled with determination but learned that "your cancer is in remission" really meant "your cancer is hiding but will join toxic chemotherapy and together they will eventually destroy your gut, then your lungs, and finally your brain." She very reluctantly switched from medical provider to cancer patient. Her husband Chris cared for his "girlfriend" with unwavering kindness, patience, and adoration.

She could not have had a more devoted medical team. Her doctor/brother Dan, co-workers in the emergency department, and oncologists added as her cancer attacked new organs all provided excellent care. More kind people helped along the way including her very generous employer, her devoted son who moved home to assist, and her sister-in-law Christy Bishop who drove her to chemo and medical appointments. Her sisters Alex Bishop, Jamie Skinner, Emily Morrison, and Julie Summers joined the fight as did her loving in-laws Pam and Christian Henrichsen and Marty Pitts Cole. Wendy died at home with Chris cuddled by her side, Jackson holding her hand, and surrounded by a room full of family.

In her memory, make that doctor appointment you have been procrastinating.



Daniel Hunter Hoggan

1929 - 2024

Providence, UT—On May 12, 2024, Daniel Hunter Hoggan, loving father of four children, passed away at the age of 94.

Born to George and Mable Hoggan on September 25, 1929, in Lorenzo, Idaho, Dan pursued higher education with vigor, earning a bachelor's degree from Utah State University, a master's degree from Stanford University, and a PhD in civil engineering from Utah State University. His post-collegiate years were marked by service in the Air Force designing air bases, and a distinguished tenure as a civil engineering professor at Utah State University. His academic contributions included teaching classes and publishing books on computer-assisted floodplain analysis. Beyond academia, Dan was an entrepreneur, owning and operating a farm in Lorenzo, Idaho, and a business producing optical lettering guide devices of his own invention. He married R'lene Jensen. They raised two sons, Stuart (Audrey) and Todd (Debbie), and two daughters, Sharlene (Denis) and Terri (Kerry), before their eventual divorce.

Dan was very active and had a number of hobbies including flying (he became a pilot with his own plane), snow skiing, dancing, golf, and traveling. He loved to snow ski and spend many winters skiing at Beaver Mountain, Alta and other ski resorts in the area. He also loved being around people, especially his family and he was always excited to join in on family events. He was an active member in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and served a mission at Temple Square in his later years.

Dan will be fondly remembered by his colleagues, friends, and family alike. His warm smile, kind heart, and unwavering optimism touched the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Dan was preceded in death by his father, George Ralph Hoggan, his mother, Mable Walker Hunter, and his sister Sarah Hoggan Ralph. He is survived by his four children, Sharlene Lyons, Stuart Hoggan, Terri Ashment, and Todd Hoggan.

We will celebrate his life on Saturday, June 1 at 12 PM in the White Pine Funeral Home, 753 South 100 East, Logan, Utah. There will be a viewing on Saturday morning at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM prior to the funeral at the funeral home. Interment will be at Providence City Cemetery with military honors. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.whitepinefunerals.com. Flowers or donations may be sent to White Pine Funeral Home, 753 S. 100 E., Logan, Utah

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