



## Alberta Maude Payne Schwantes

August 11, 1926 - April 6, 2014

Alberta Maude Payne Schwantes; Born Aug 11, 1926 to Albert Elmo Payne and Eunice Talley Payne in Safford, Arizona. Married John W Schwantes May 29, 1947 and later divorced. She was preceded in death by her parents and by her brother Max Payne (Beverly Payne). Survived by her sister Joan Perkins (C.J. Perkins) of The Woodlands, Texas. Also survived by her children Jannis Gardner (Greg); Sheryl Martin (Brad); Ranell Teerlink (Mark); Lannae Orgill (Chris), all of Salt Lake City, and Jayson Schwantes (Andrea) of Virginia Beach, Virginia; 19 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren. She was married to John W. Schwantes May 29, 1947, later divorced.

She lived in Salt Lake City Utah the last 45 years of her life in the Little Cottonwood 1st Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She also lived in Granger and Orem, Utah; Idaho Falls, Idaho, Safford Arizona, El Paso Texas and Louisville, Kentucky.

Alberta served in numerous Church callings, including R.S. President and with her beautiful soprano voice, enjoyed singing in the ward choir. She was employed at Deseret Federal Savings and Loan; Zions Bank, Heritage Mountain in Provo, and University of Utah. She was a wonderful seamstress and made many dresses for her girls and also crocheted the edges of hundreds of baby blankets.

Alberta was well known for her quick wit and wonderful sense of humor. Many times the ward members would see her walking up and down the streets. Although she was physically strong up to the very end and her mind succumbed to Dementia, her personality still came through. She was diagnosed with terminal cancer on April 3rd and was relieved of her infirmities just 3 days later on April 6, 2014.

Thanks to all who helped with her care, keeping an eye on her when she wandered, and especially family and neighbors, wonderful home teachers, visiting teachers, and friends. Additionally our gratitude goes to The Beehive Homes and Brighton Hospice for their sensitive and caring actions.

The Funeral will be held on Thursday April 10, 2014 at the Little Cottonwood 1st Ward at 11:00 AM: Address: 6350 Rodeo Lane, SLC, Utah 84121 and the Graveside service will be held at Larkin Sunset Gardens on 10600 South 1950 East, Sandy, Utah 84092

# Cemetery

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## Larkin Sunset Gardens

1950 East 10600 South  
Sandy, UT, 84092

# Events

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**APR** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 10:45AM

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Little Cottonwood LDS 1st Ward  
6350 Rodeo Lane, Salt Lake City, UT, US

**APR** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Little Cottonwood LDS 1st Ward  
6350 Rodeo Lane, Salt Lake City, UT, US

# Comments

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“ So sad to hear our Sweet Aunt Alberta passed away. I know she was a favorite niece of my mothers and we loved going to see her. I know the past years have been hard for her, but she has been a great example of "enduring with class". She has left many fun memories and laughter for the Larson Family.

Becky Larson Rogers Mesa Arizona

**Becky Rogers** - April 11, 2014 at 08:18 AM

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“ Oh, how I loved going with my mom (Davida Payne Dalton) to visit Alberta. There was always so much love and laughter throughout the whole visit. What a wonderful, sweet, fun lady. We (Daltons) love all our memories of Alberta and her family. Our love and prayers are with you.

Davilyn Dalton Ferrin, Provo, Utah

**Davilyn Ferrin** - April 10, 2014 at 01:55 PM

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“ My earliest memories in El Paso & Fabens are of Alberta and her family. They were as close to us as family could ever be. Alberta was always a beautiful, bouncy girl who lit up the room when she walked in, always full of good cheer and a good joke. One of my sisters was named after Alberta. The Payne home on Louisville Street in El Paso was like a second home to me. Eunice was always a faithful friend to my mother, & my mother often wore Elmo's comfortable house slippers to ease her aching feet. When my mother was bedfast for a year, Eunice came over every single day, chatting with & cheering her up. They sewed together many hours, and my mother (Sadie Taylor Macdonald) often said Eunice was the best seamstress she ever knew. When we moved to Tucson in 1947, the Paynes followed us in their car as far as Las Cruces, honking & waving all along the highway. I visited Alberta & her family in Idaho Falls as well as Salt Lake & got acquainted with her children. --Taylor Macdonald, Pleasant Grove, Utah

**Taylor Macdonald** - April 09, 2014 at 11:42 AM