



Elizabeth Ann Passey

December 12, 1931 - October 21, 2013

Elizabeth Ann Passey (81), our loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, passed away on Monday, October 21, 2013. Elizabeth was born December 12, 1931 in Saint Charles, Bear Lake, Idaho, the daughter of Kurt Ragner Anderson and Delpha Elizabeth Arnell. She was the youngest of four children.

At the age of seven, Elizabeth was diagnosed as being in the first stages of polio meningitis and was bed ridden for several months. She couldn't have visitors, because the doctors weren't sure whether it was contagious. Elizabeth remembered her mother kneeling by her bed and pleading with the Lord to let her be healed. She had to learn to walk and talk all over again, but through the power of prayer and the power of the priesthood, Elizabeth was blessed with a complete recovery.

She wore her hair in beautiful long braids until her mother let her cut them off at the age of 13. In her junior year at Fielding High School, Elizabeth, who was the student body secretary and later captain of the pep squad, fell in love with the soon-to-be captain of the football team, L. Keith Passey. They became engaged right after high school graduation and were married on September 11, 1950 in the Logan Temple.

Growing up in a small farming community in Bear Lake valley, Elizabeth never imagined that she would live in so many different places. During their marriage, Elizabeth and Keith moved 19 times due to military and business transfers. During these many moves, Elizabeth always made sure her five sons had a loving home to grow up in and to return to with their families.

In addition to raising five sons, Elizabeth had numerous church callings including serving as Primary president in Big Springs, TX, Plattsburg, NY and Bountiful, UT; Young Women's president in Atlanta, GA; Relief Society president in Plattsburg, NY, Vacaville, CA and Athens, GA; Stake Young Women's president in Pleasanton, CA and Long Island, NY; and Stake Relief Society president in Vacaville, CA. She also served as an ordinance worker for several years in the Oakland, CA and Bountiful, UT temples.

After her sons married and moved away, she took up several different hobbies. She made her first porcelain doll in 1985 and since then made close to 100 unique "Libby" dolls. She also loved to quilt and made dozens of beautiful "Libby" quilts. She and Keith also enjoyed square dancing and in the early 1990's they square danced regularly with two different square dancing groups in California. Elizabeth began keeping a journal at the age of 12, which she continued well into her seventies. Her journals serve as a lasting memory for her sons, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Among the many gifts she has given to her family, she left over 40 photo journals detailing the lives of her sons and their families.

Elizabeth is survived by her sons, Alan (Denise), Alexandria, Virginia; Steven (Elaine) Fruit Heights, Utah; Paul (Cheryl), Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; Michael (Engracia), Vacaville, California; and Darrell, Centerville, Utah. She had 25 grandchildren, and 27 great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Carl Anderson (Elaine), Hyrum, Utah, and sister Mildred Arnell, Montpelier, Idaho.

This world is a much better place because of Elizabeth Passey. Her family and loved ones will miss her, but will always be grateful for her life and all she gave. We are comforted knowing that she is now reunited with her high school sweetheart and that their eternal journey can continue together.

A viewing will be held in her honor on Friday, October 25 from 6-8 p.m. at the LDS Country Lane Chapel, 24 South Country Lane in Fruit Heights, Utah. A second viewing will be held at the same location on Saturday, October 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Funeral services will be held immediately following the viewing at 11 a.m. at the Country Lane Chapel. The burial will follow at the Kaysville City Cemetery.

Services will be under the direction of Peni Malohifo'ou of Serenity Funeral Home. Please share memories and condolences with the family here on the Tribute Wall.

Cemetery

Kaysville City Cemetery

500 E. Crestwood Road
Kaysville, UT,

Events

OCT 25 **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

Country Lane Chapel
24 South Country Lane, Fruit Heights, UT, US

OCT 26 **Viewing** 09:30AM - 10:45AM

Country Lane Chapel
24 South Country Lane, Fruit Heights, UT, US

OCT 26 **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

Country Lane Chapel
24 South Country Lane, Fruit Heights, UT, US

Comments



“ Sorry to hear about the passing away of your Mother Darrell. I remember some of the stories you told about your folks. Time will heal the feelings that you must be going through now. I am sure there is a nice reunion going on now between your Mother and those who have passed on before.
My sincere condolences,
Eric Johnson

Eric Johnson - October 27, 2013 at 01:17 AM



“ October 25, 2013
Memories are numerous when I think of our sweet Elizabeth. Visiting teaching her was a delight and I always came away with more love in my heart. I loved to see the beautiful dolls and clothes she made. She loved to make quilts and I thoroughly enjoyed the times we quilted together. She was a dedicated Primary Achievement Day leader. She made each girl a scrapbook to keep track of their activity projects, which Sara still has and treasures these memories. Each activity had a theme and they made fun crafts. I will miss her beautiful smile and thumbs up. I loved her as a friend and for her strength, talents and example of faith. It was fun to watch her and Keith work together. Oh how she loved him and now they are together once again.

RaJean Olsen

RaJean Olsen - October 25, 2013 at 03:12 PM



“ October 24, 2013
We want you to know our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Sister Passey was always so sweet and kind. We know she will be missed by all who knew and loved her.
~
Diane and Reed Barlow,
Long Beach, California

October 23, 2013
She was lovingly and compassionately cared for by my best friend for the last several months...I know with all my heart how much my friend loved Elizabeth, and through many of my friend's and my conversations, I too learned to love Elizabeth.
My sincere condolences to the family.
~
Laura Jensen,
Colorado Springs, Colorado

October 23, 2013

We knew the Passey family in Pleasanton Calif. They lived in our neighborhood we attended the same ward. Our boys were friends. We attended parties at their home. Please accept our most heartfelt condolences.

The Gary C. Vaughan Family

alan - October 24, 2013 at 06:44 PM

“ 125 files added to the album Pictures of Elizabeth



alan - October 24, 2013 at 06:34 PM

“ Until just a few years ago, Elizabeth still ran circles around me (and I'm 20 plus years younger). Her zest for life and joy of everything and everyone around her was a real inspiration to me. In these last months, as I would sit and visit with her, I loved when she would look at me, smile, and tell me how much she loved me. Thank you for being a part of my life, Elizabeth, and welcome home to the arms of your sweet husband, Keith.

Sue Birrell - October 24, 2013 at 11:29 AM

“ 29 files added to the album Pictures of Elizabeth



Alan - October 23, 2013 at 01:41 PM

“ I'll always cherish my memories of trips to Grandma's home. From delicious (and overly abundant) meals to long sessions of playing games such as Screwy Louie or time spent in the backyard picking raspberries... Such little moments are treasured in my heart. Thank you, Grandma, for filling our lives with so many precious memories and moments and I hope you know that we all miss you but we are grateful you are

back with Pal. You two belong together forever xx

Alyssa Passey Ballard - October 23, 2013 at 11:45 AM



“ We love you and will miss you, Grandma! Your warmth and thoughtfulness always made everyone feel at home in your presence. Thanks for being such a wonderful woman!

Love, Marc & Sara Passey

Sara Passey - October 23, 2013 at 11:29 AM