



Diane Tolles Whiffen

February 13, 1938 - August 5, 2020

(Charlotte) Diane Tolles Whiffen (Feb 13, 1938 – August 5, 2020)

Our sweet mom, wife, sister, grandma and friend passed away peacefully from this mortal life after a brief battle with Alzheimer's. Diane loved everyone she met unconditionally and lived a life of love, happiness and service to the fullest extent.

Diane was born in Pocatello but raised in Concord, CA where her dad owned a drugstore. At age 16, she met the love of her life and later married Henry Whiffen while attending BYU. Together they shared over 62-years of marital happiness.

Diane is survived by her husband Henry Whiffen, sister Lynne Abbott and brother King Jr, 6 children; Lorrie (Phil) Stone, Mike (Elizabeth), Keri (Fred) Stewart, Tami (Berk) Charlton, Brett (Shelley) and Sean (Leeann), 26 grandchildren and 19.5 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents Vawn Maynard and King Tolles, her sister Karlaen (Bob) Johnson, and granddaughter Alexandra.

Diane was a loving and compassionate person who was always serving others and giving of her time. She was the ultimate hostess and chauffeur; welcoming everyone with cookies and snacks to being ready to go with a book in her purse to spend time wherever.

Diane was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was able to impact the lives of many others through different service positions. She graciously dedicated her time to her Savior, her family and others to ensure everyone she came in contact with felt loved. No matter how long the hours, tireless the work, or countless needs of another, she always put those ahead of her own and showed endless acceptance and love to everyone.

She was always close to the Spirit and seemed to have a sixth-sense about things, especially when it came to her children, and immediately knew when someone was in trouble. Many stories can be told of her spontaneously responding to a feeling only to rescue (or bust) one of her kids from some predicament. The greatest compliments were from countless friends, families and many of the pseudo-adopted BYU students while Diane served for years as a Bishop's wife, saying "wow, your mom is the best!" You absolutely were, mom, thanks!

The family would like to give special thanks to The Seville in Orem and the Summerfield Retirement Community for treating mom with so much love and respect. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, funeral service attendance is limited. Zoom services are available through Serenity Funeral Home Tuesday August 11th, 10:30am. To view live the funeral service, click the following link (or cut and paste into browser address the following link): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84816160784?pwd=L201dStGUTB6aHNQZXhrZHG4YStXUT09>). Flowers can be sent to 868 E 1000 S. Orem, UT 84097.

Tribute Wall



“ *Diane Tolles Whiffen*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *The "young marrieds" in Oakland 4th ward were my extended family. I was one of their babysitters. "Thank you" to all of you who may read this. Life at home between 1960 and 1966, was difficult at times. You were all loving and kind to me, especially Diane. She was my Mia Maid teacher, neighbor and lifelong friend. The Whiffins have treated me as family, and vaisa versa, for over 60 years. Their family is a great example of a family who tries to follow the teachings of Jesus. I will miss you, friend, but I know that I will see you again someday.*



Kathie Soderberg Olesen - August 11, 2020 at 04:05 PM



“ *Diane was my friend beginning in 1960 when Curg and I(Darlene) moved from San Francisco to Oakland while Curg attended UC Berkeley. We both attended Oakland IV Ward. We served in Young Women together. And raised our children together. She was always upbeat and positive. A kind and generous friend. I loved her. And I knew she loved me. I will cherish our shared memories. And Hank you were her very best friend. She laughed with you and cried with you. And your love for each other carried over into our lives too. Thank you for sharing yourselves with us and blessing our lives.*

Darlene Johnson - August 09, 2020 at 03:24 PM

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*Dear Curg and Darlene,
Those were the days! Fun days. I remember how cute your children
were.*

Love, Kathie Soderberg Olesen

Kathie Soderberg Olesen - August 11, 2020 at 04:09 PM

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*Hank, Our deepest condolences in the passing of your lovely Diane.
She was a remarkable woman. As fellow refugees from the Bay area,
we wish we could read all your condolences. It's been awhile since we
saw Kathie and much longer since Curg and Darlene, but they are long
time friends too.*

*May the Lord's choicest blessings be with you and yours as you adjust
to this temporary parting. Our love and prayers, Dee and Kay Jacobs*

Dee V. Jacobs - August 13, 2020 at 01:22 PM