



Donna Wight Cocanour

May 27, 1954 - January 24, 2026

Donna Wight Cocanour passed away on Saturday, January 24, 2026, at her home in Sandy, Utah, with her husband and children near by.

Donna was born to Carlyle G Wight and Carolyn Jones Wight, on May 27, 1954, in Los Angeles, California. She had a very happy childhood, growing up in Fullerton, in sunny Southern California. This meant trips to the beach, to the mountains, and to Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm. She was also active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Girl Scouts, and was a Candy Stripper at St Jude Hospital. Her parents also took their children on many trips to visit relatives, to Temple Visitor Centers, Universities, art museums, and many other places.

She was a quiet and a serious student as a young lady. She took art lessons, dance lessons, learned to play the piano and guitar, was in school choirs, and was a Featherette in the Fullerton High School drill team. Her testimony grew early on and she brought the light of the gospel into her home, her school, and everywhere she went. She always kindly but firmly held her standards, and was always an example of a disciple of Jesus Christ. She lived in Fullerton up until the day she married her sweetheart, John Boyd Cocanour III. After their marriage, they lived a short time in Brea, California, where their first child was born.

After they moved to Sandy, Utah, she continued to love and serve everyone. She served those in her Church and Community- both formally, and informally.

She dearly loved each of her children, and tried her very best to be a good mother to them. In fact, her 2 goals in life were to be a good wife, and to be a good mother. She cooked them wonderful meals and treats, sewed and did other handwork, grew an amazing vegetable garden, helped them with their homework, put notes in their lunch boxes, read them bedtime stories, and sang, "Keep the Commandments" to each of them every night.

As her children married, she gained more sons and daughters, and joyously welcomed each grandchild.

Her health was never good, but it continued to worsen and she suffered a lot for many years. Yet, those who knew her describe her as having a sweet and Gentle spirit.

Somehow, she managed to be open eyed AND trusting- a hard combination. Overall, she had a way of giving you a feeling of warmth, kindness, and generosity at any time, whatever your age, whatever the situation. And could give you the feeling that you are loved and that you personally were special and amazing.

Donna was predeceased by her parents and her grandson, Preston.

She is survived by her sister, Dorothy, her brothers, Dale and Darrell, her children, Alta, John, Joseph, Laura, Justin, and Jacob, and 13 grandchildren

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 28. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Quail Run Chapel
9245 S Quail Run Drive
Sandy, UT 84093

Funeral Service

JAN 28. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (MT)

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9245 S Quail Run Drive
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Graveside Service

FEB 3. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Utah Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park
17111 1700 West (Redwood Rd),
Bluffdale, UT 84065