



Fran B Nicholes

July 7, 1940 - February 13, 2014

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1940-2014

Our beloved and adored wife, mother, grandma, sister, and friend passed away from a heart attack on February 13, 2014. She was surrounded by her family. She was 73 years old.

She was born July 7, 1940 in Phoenix, Arizona to Ken Boyle and Lulu Smith. It was here she was raised and educated through high school. The first time she saw snow and owned a coat was when she attended Brigham Young University where she secured a degree in Elementary Education and later a Master's Degree.

While there she met her eternal companion Verlin Nicholes. They were married in the Manti Temple Oct 12th 1962. This love has celebrated 51 years of marriage. Verlin and Fran are the parents of 4 children who feel loved and cherished.

She was a tremendous and memorable teacher for all those lucky enough to have her as a teacher. She taught elementary school in Orem, California, and 20 consecutive years as a 6th grade teacher at Valley View Elementary in Pleasant Grove, Utah. Mrs. Nicholes (as she was known) had a fun, creative and unique personality and teaching style that was truly impressionable on her students and those she worked with. It was a common occurrence to have students come back and visit her even after many years. And yes, we did run spell check for this. She considered her most important and sacred teaching

role was that in the home as a mother and grandmother.

Fran loved nature and the outdoors. She found ways to couple this love with her teaching abilities. She helped create and develop many programs at the Alpine School District Clear Creek Camp and as a pioneer at the LDS Heber Valley Girls Camp. Fran created Botany, Geology, and History programs. With a fun and witty way that only Fran could make happen, she brought these programs to life and they are implemented and affecting the lives of thousands still today. You're welcome world.

Fran was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She enjoyed the scriptures and studying about different topics. She magnified each calling that she served in including, Young Women Presidency, Primary Presidency, Boy Scouts, Sunday School teacher and Relief Society. She has served two multi-year missions with her husband. One at the Heber Valley Girls Camp and one at the Bishop's Store House in Lindon.

Two years ago she was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. This did not stop her. With her positive and get it done attitude, she has shown us how to live life and enjoy the moment. She always said that she wanted to go fast. With this heart attack her wishes have been granted. As an elect lady, faith and her family were her cornerstones. She will be greatly missed.

Survived by his children: Marc (Shitomi), Jana Valerio (Jared), Lance (Jodi), and Eric (Kate).

We invite you to join with us to honor Fran's life on February 19th at 731 East Center Street Lindon, Utah 84042 with a viewing from 9-10:30am and funeral services starting at 11:00am. Her final resting place will be at the Lindon City Cemetery.

Fran has requested that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints' Perpetual Education Fund.

Online condolences can sent to the family at www.Serenicarefuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Lindon City

555 North 200 East
Lindon, UT 84042

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 19. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Lindon LDS
731 E Center Street
Lindon, UT 84042

Funeral Service

FEB 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fran B Nicholes*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *The earth has lost such a kind and loving woman. I didn't need to know Fran long to appreciate her happy spirit and ingratiating personality. My condolences to Fran's loving family. I know that you are blessed with a plethora of wonderful memories which combined with your faith will sustain you until you hear her infectious laughter again. She lives on in the lives that she touched so gently.*

Sincerely,

Deb O'Neal Fisher

Deborah Fisher - February 20, 2014 at 07:57 AM



“ *Aunt Fran and her family made my childhood magical. I loved and still love going to their house for holidays and joining with them for family campouts. I wonder if any of the old white elephant presents will show up at her funeral tomorrow! Will miss her huge laugh and smile!*

Rob Boyle

Robert Boyle - February 18, 2014 at 12:04 PM

EH

“ We have fond memories of Fran and Doreen coming down to Joseph City to spend the summer with Alice (Nunna) and Deb (Pumpa). They always brought a cheerful, fun time with them and were always helpful with the housework. The house was filled with laughter when they were there and they made fun wherever they went. Floyd was always delighted to have them visit and had a good time teasing them. They would plan one great big party during the visit and invite all their new Joseph City friends over. They fit right in with the small community.

While I was attending a reunion in Utah, Fran took me thrift store shopping and that was the highlight of my trip. We always enjoyed visiting with Fran because of her fun loving spirit and her spunky personality. What a gem she is and she will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time of loss.

We love you,

Eugene & Eleanor Hansen

Eleanor Hansen - February 17, 2014 at 02:28 PM

HS

“*Fran is my first cousin, two years older than me, and much admired by me since I first met her. She visited our home in Heber City several times when she was attending BYU. She always lit up the room with her happy approach to life. When I was 16, we attended our grandmother's funeral in Snowflake, AZ and she and I and my cousin Dave did a little in-town race driving (not too extreme) while older folks were visiting. She just knew how to have fun, a trait she probably inherited from her own mom and our grandmother. I think our grandmother was laughing at our teenage antics from her heavenly viewpoint. Fran has probably enjoyed a great reunion with those two exceptional women and I am sure they loved the life she led. To Fran's family--treasure the memories of her and let her life be a guide to you. Make sure you make a good record of the things she said and did--that will be a priceless gift to her descendants.*

Hal Smith

Hal Smith - February 17, 2014 at 11:15 AM

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“*Fran, I will always remember you. Your friendship and kindness toward me, made me feel like I was a member of your family. Gosh, there were so many wonderful moments, the laughter with you was endless. The yard sales and going with you to Savers. I loved that place. Thank you for sharing your knowledge with me and for letting me fill in for you those few days as your substitute in school. I loved the endless trips up into the mountains on the motor home. I think about those times often and I will never forget them. I loved your energy and your desire to make everyone else happy. What a special lady!!! Our lose is Heaven's gain. I will miss you Fran and always love you. Jim*

Jim Richardson - February 16, 2014 at 04:41 PM

JH

I taught with Fran for most of my 25 years at Valley View Elementary.. She was a wonderful teacher with her unique ability to make learning, and a favorite among the teachers for bringing humor and insight into life. I enjoyed a wonderful trip with Fran to Israel, Jordan and Egypt, and cherish the memories of our experiences. May peace and comfort be with each of us at this difficult time.

Jocelyn Howard - February 17, 2014 at 02:20 PM