



Gloria Ann Anderson

January 12, 1947 - July 11, 2018

Gloria Anderson passed away surrounded by her family on Wednesday, July 11, 2018. She was born on January 12, 1947 in Rock Springs, Wyoming to Ren and Norma Nelson. Gloria was the eldest child and adored her brother Gail and sister Lorraine. They affectionately called her "Sis".

Gloria moved to Salt Lake City where she graduated from LDS Business College. A young man who visited at her apartment wrote in his notebook the names of all the students there. Later she saw him looking up her name. She said, "My name is Gloria Nelson, and don't you forget it." Together they attended church and political meetings. Later when he asked her to marry, she declined because he was too short. She must have changed her mind because Byron and Gloria were married in the Salt Lake Temple on September 16, 1966.

Gloria has had a wonderful life, but it hasn't been without trials. The day before their wedding, Byron received a draft notice in the mail. He served two years in the army. They moved back east so that Byron could receive infantry training in New Jersey and officer training in Virginia. Gloria had her first child in an army hospital in Fort Lee, Virginia. Byron went off to Vietnam and Gloria was left to take care of the baby. It was hard for her to have him so far away for so long. In fact, her whole life she had a hard time if he was away for more than a day at a time.

One of Gloria's other trials has been that of poor health. She bore her trial well, but it was frustrating for her. There were so many things that she wasn't

able to do in the last few years because of her health problems.

Gloria always kept busy loving and serving others. She served in many capacities in her church group and especially enjoyed serving in Relief Society presidencies, Primary presidencies and her wonderful time in the nursery...she really loved those children. Gloria also served in the PTA. For many years she helped to organize the neighborhood Fourth of July breakfast and the National Night Out Against Crime.

Gloria worked at Granite School District in their Testing Department. Most recently, she worked alongside her husband Byron and son Andy selling their honey at the Murray Farmer's Market. For many years she has spent her Saturdays during the Fall season bringing sweet honey to the people of Utah. Gloria loved her dog Charlie. She was a very talented cook, baker and cake decorator. She would often make birthday cakes for people in her neighborhood. She was also sought after as a wedding cake decorator and enjoyed doing that. Gloria enjoyed toll painting, but most of all she enjoyed her grandchildren. She made blessing gowns for her granddaughters that are a treasure.

Gloria had many friends. She also leaves quite a few of us family members behind. She is survived by her husband Byron C. Anderson, children Ann (Bradley) Throckmorton, Byron "Andy" Anderson, Ruth (Mark) Pistorius, Joe (Julie) Anderson and Sara (Armand) Leach. She had a way of making each grandchild feel like they were her favorite. She leaves behind her grandchildren Valesca (Robert) Wall, Joshua (Rachel) Throckmorton, Noah Throckmorton, Elijah Throckmorton, Sydnie (Brandon) Clark, Alex Pistorius, Taryn Pistorius, Skyler (Lucia) Anderson, Kaylee (Thomas) Pugh, Mariah Anderson, Cayden Anderson, Kasja Leach, Cambria Leach and Haven Leach. Her Brother Gail (Jan) Nelson and sister Lorraine Muniz will also miss her. A viewing will be held on Sunday, July 15, 2018 from 6-8:00 pm at the Jordan North 1st Ward located at 3900 South 4000 West in West Valley City, Utah. The funeral will be held on Monday, July 16th at 10:00 am at the same location, with a viewing for one hour prior.

Gloria left a lasting legacy of teaching others the importance of family, faith, service and love. She definitely made the world a better place and had a positive impact in the lives of all who knew her. Her smile was contagious and you never left her presence without a hug and knowing that she loved you. She has left us for a time, but we are comforted in knowing that we will see her again and that now with her body no longer holding her back, she is able to once again walk, run and dance.

Cemetery Details

Valley View Cemetery

4400 W 4100 S
West Valley City, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Jordan North 1st Ward
3900 South 4000 West
West Valley City , UT 84120

Viewing #2

JUL **16**. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (MT)

Jordan North 1st Ward
3900 South 4000 West
West Valley City , UT 84120

Funeral Service

JUL **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Jordan North 1st Ward
3900 South 4000 West
West Valley City , UT 84120

Tribute Wall



“ *Gloria Ann Anderson*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *This picture was taken on July 6th. Grandmas face lit up when talking about Kurt Bell. Kirt is on his mission right now but his mother wanted to send him a picture of Gloria. Sister Bell had no idea that this would be the most recent and last picture anybody has of her.*



Kaylee Pugh - July 15, 2018 at 11:07 PM



“ *I remember the Anderson Family well. I served with Gloria in the Relief Society. She taught me many things. She taught me how important serving is and to maintain a good sense of humor. I loved her laugh! Peace to her beautiful Family.*

Marianne Green

Marianne Green - July 15, 2018 at 12:30 PM



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Valesca - July 15, 2018 at 08:09 AM

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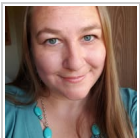
Ann - July 14, 2018 at 04:53 PM

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When we were in the same ward, we were very dear friends and I quickly learned to love her. Unfortunately, when the Andersons moved from that ward, we drifted apart and although we did not see each other much after that, she remained in my heart. I love you Gloria, and can't wait until I see you again.

xoxo Marcia Newell

marcia newell - July 14, 2018 at 10:48 PM

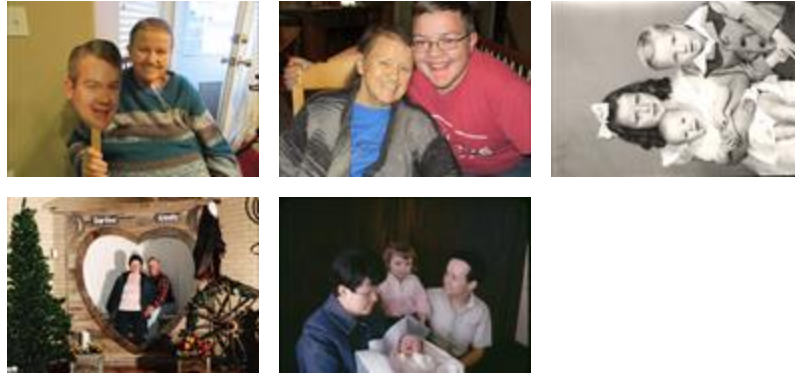


“ *I was grateful that Gloria was my next door neighbor for 12 years. She offered me so much love and support by listening each time I visited. And I enjoyed coming back after I moved although I came less often. Her hugs would always melt my heart. Sending my love to Byron, Sarah, Andy and the rest of her family at this time.*

Natcat Lance - July 14, 2018 at 04:15 PM

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Ann - July 14, 2018 at 12:18 PM

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“ She treated me as her own she always made me feel welcome when Joe and I were hanging out or causing chaos. When it came time for me to get married there was no question on who I was going to ask to make our cake and it was awesome. May God wrap his loving arms around you all in this time and may you feel peace knowing that this is not the end. Love you all.

Eric - July 14, 2018 at 11:57 AM

Julie Anderson

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Julie Anderson - July 14, 2018 at 11:36 AM

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Serenity Funeral Home - July 14, 2018 at 09:52 AM