



Irene Bell Swenson

May 18, 1941 - December 11, 2017

Our dear mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, Irene Bell Swenson passed from this life on December 11, 2017, in her home in West Valley City, Utah. She passed peacefully surrounded by family.

Irene was born on May 18, 1941, in Standardville, Carbon County, Utah, to Zoram Bonanza and Emily Louese Bell. She was a twin, and the twelfth of twelve children. She was married March 23, 1960 to John Rulon Swenson, of whom preceded her in death. She was sealed for time and all eternity, to John, in the Salt Lake Temple, seven years later.

She grew up in Clearfield and graduated from Davis High School. About a year after marriage, they were transferred to Lackland AFB in Texas; then transferred to Okinawa Japan. John got out of the military and they moved back to Utah and lived in the Clearfield area until they moved to Dugway, Utah. She loved Dugway and worked her way up to manager at the Dugway Theater. When her husband, John died in 1985, she moved to Sandy. She went to Wasatch Career Institute for secretarial studies. She got a job with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with the Family Research department, which she eventually retired from. She has lived in West Valley for over twenty years, where she remained until her death. She served in many callings for the church, including many years as a Primary teacher and a Relief Society teacher. She loved serving in the church and had a strong testimony.

She is survived by her seven children, Cathy (Adam) Suhajda, John Swenson,

Jody Hurst, Sherry (Eric) Parry, Steven (Melanie) Swenson, Christopher (Michelle) Swenson, and Kimberly (Terry) Teramoto; two sisters, Shirley Parker and Louann Anderson; Sister-in-law, Lynne (Pat) Whitt; twenty-seven grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, John, both parents, all four of her brothers, five sisters, one grandchild, and two great grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, December 16, 2017 at 4444 Early Duke Street, West Valley City, Utah 84120 at 11:00 am. Visitation with family will be beforehand from 10:00-10:45.

Interment will be at the Clearfield City Cemetery after funeral.

Cemetery Details

Clearfield Cemetery

1050 South State Street
Clearfield, UT 84015

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC 16. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Woodledge Ward
4444 Early Duke Street
West Valley City, UT 84120

Funeral Service

DEC 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Woodledge Ward
4444 Early Duke Street
West Valley City, UT 84120

Tribute Wall



“ *Irene Bell Swenson*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Hello.*

This is David J, (Dugway). I'm sorry that I was not fully aware of this sooner. I wish you all the best. I do remember your mother, and it is nice to see her pictures. I hope things will be okay with all of you, her dear family. I will pray for you all. Please take care. Your Brother in the Lord, David.

David Jaster - December 21, 2017 at 10:29 PM



“ *She's one the pickiest eaters I've ever known and I love her for that; strong in her convictions, along with her faith. God bless you all, Irene's family!*



R Hall - December 15, 2017 at 09:20 PM



“ *Steve Helm lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Steve Helm - December 15, 2017 at 06:52 PM

JS

“ *Love the Swensons. God bless.*

Jill Slater - December 15, 2017 at 02:09 PM

MS

“ *Melanie Swenson lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Melanie Swenson - December 15, 2017 at 10:45 AM

CH

“ *Charlene Bell Heslop lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Charlene Bell Heslop - December 13, 2017 at 11:19 PM

CH

My most recent memory of Aunt Irene was a lovely visit we had with her a couple of months ago. My sister, Deanne and my mother, Geniel Bell and myself drove down to West Valley and had the best time visiting and sharing with Aunt Irene. She was so pleasant and friendly and she has always been. I am so glad that she is with Uncle John again. She missed him. I am grateful families are forever.

Charlene Bell Heslop - December 13, 2017 at 11:23 PM

TF

“ *Teresa Female Fulton lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Teresa Female Fulton - December 13, 2017 at 05:22 PM



“ *Kimberly Teramoto lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Kimberly Teramoto - December 13, 2017 at 12:50 PM

CS

“ *Cathy Suhajda lit a candle in memory of Irene Bell Swenson*



Cathy Suhajda - December 12, 2017 at 08:41 PM