



RitaRae Elsberry

November 17, 1937 - July 11, 2023

Funeral Service Zoom Link:

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RitaRae Elsberry was born RitaRae Morin, on November 17, 1937, in Baker Oregon to Charles Arthur Morin and Mary Jeanette Shipp. The youngest of 5 children, she was a “surprise” baby, born 10 years after her nearest sibling. She adored her family and loved growing up on her father’s farm in Baker, where she acquired the faith and values that sustained her through life. Oftentimes she reminisced of her early years, sharing with her children fond memories of her parents, siblings, and life on the farm. She also talked about her childhood feelings of being left behind, as her much older brother and sisters grew up and moved on with life. Determined to join with her siblings in life’s adventure, she followed them as soon as she was able. She eventually married Maurice Barker Hall of Payson, Utah, with whom she raised 7 children.

RitaRae was a talented homemaker, whose home was always lovely and inviting. She excelled at nearly everything she put her mind to, whether it be

cooking, decorating, dressmaking, landscaping, or creating the most imaginative Halloween costumes. She possessed the unbelievable ability to improvise in any situation and never ceased to seek self-improvement during every stage of life. In her later years she took up painting and discovered another amazing natural talent. She created many beautiful paintings that her family will always cherish.

Though her heart was always in her home, she ultimately entered the professional world. True to form, RitaRae achieved great success and rose quickly in her industry. Eventually, she became National Communications Manager for Essilor of America, Varilux Division, a large multinational corporation, based in France. She racked up over a million frequent flyer miles on Delta Airlines alone, which was one of four airlines she used. Travelling all over the nation, she earned the respect and admiration of those she trained, as well as corporate management who never gave her anything but top marks. Upon her retirement, she was gratified by the outpouring of letters filled with expressions of respect that came from every corner of the company. Her example of honesty, integrity and trustworthiness was often mentioned, in addition to her impressive talent and impeccable professionalism. At her retirement party, she was introduced by the national president to the other executives as “an Icon of the Industry”.

After raising her children, RitaRae found love again with Edward Arthur Elsberry. They were married on February 14, 1985 and then sealed for time and eternity in the Jordan River Temple. Ed brought with him 4 lovely children, whom RitaRae felt blessed to call her own.

RitaRae was a faithful, lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had a firm faith in Jesus Christ, to whom she steadfastly looked for salvation.

In the final days of her life, as in her childhood, RitaRae was determined to join her family in eternity's adventure. She looked to heaven with unwavering faith and great anticipation, eager to follow those loved ones who had gone before. With her joyful arrival, she once again completes her family that was formed on that farm in Oregon so many years ago. She is now at the side of her companion in love, Ed. Together. Forever.

RitaRae leaves behind an indelible impression on her family and friends alike. She will be forever loved, never forgotten and sorely missed. Those she has left behind rejoice in her faithful life on this earth, and eternal life's journey on which she has now triumphantly embarked. Until we meet again.

RitaRae is survived by 10 of her 11 children: Wade Donovan (Valerie) Hall, Daniel Barker Hall, Randall Maurice Hall, Craig Campbell Hall, Mitchell Charles Hall and Phillip Truman (Iryna) Hall, Kenneth Allen (Deyanira) Elsberry, Kevin Edward (Inna) Elsberry, Shari Susan Pritchard, David Glenn (Georgina) Elsberry, 12 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her only daughter, Marcia Chandonia, her previous husband Maurice Barker Hall, her husband Edward Arthur Elsberry, and by her siblings Janet Emily Juncker, Arthur Roy Morin, Florence Elsie Rockwood, Ina Frances Castleberry, and by her devoted parents.

Funeral services for RitaRae Elsberry will be held on Friday, July 21, 2023 at 11:00 am, at
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 12070 S Laurel Chase Drive, Riverton, UT 84065.
Interment will follow at the Riverton Cemetery, 12765 S 1400 W, Riverton, UT 84065

Cemetery Details

Riverton City Cemetery

1500 West 13200 South
Riverton, UT

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Riverton LDS Church
12070 South Laurel Chase Drive
Riverton, UT 84065

Funeral Service

JUL 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *RitaRae Elsberry*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *I was so blessed to have Ritarae as my mother in law for over 30 years. She was an exceptional woman in so many ways and will be deeply missed.*

Valerie Hall - July 22, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ *Craig and Phillip were the Elsberry's Home teachers for many years and I thought there could not be better examples of true Latter-day Saints. We love you Rita Rae and Ed.*

Craig Rindlisbach - July 21, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *To all my cousins, I am truly sorry for the loss of your dear mom. I wish I were able to be with you today but I am unable to get away due to staffing issues at work. I send my love to each and every one of you. Your mom is a beautiful soul who I will never forget. I have fond memories of her from my childhood. I am so happy Phillip brought her by to see me at work not too long back. Such a sweet person. I am sure you will all miss her deeply. Hugs to all.*

Belva Dean - July 21, 2023 at 07:16 AM



Hello belva Dean I truly miss you and your mom and uncle Dean, Love you for ever. Danny.

Daniel Hall - July 21, 2023 at 05:26 PM

PH

Thank you Belva. Hugs back!

PHILLIP TRUMAN HALL - August 03, 2023 at 05:41 PM

JM

“ *I met RitaRae when we moved to Utah for the first time back in the early 1980's. She was statuesque beauty and such a dynamo! I admired the career she built and her success. We shared so many family events over many decades. I'm happy for her to be free from the restrictions of her aging body--free to be herself again. I am sure she had a wonderful reunion with those who preceded her in death, especially her daughter. Sending all of her sons and family our sincere condolences. We will miss her!*
--Julie & Dennis Moselle

Julie Moselle - July 21, 2023 at 01:33 AM

DE

“ It was a privilege and an honor to have RitaRae as a mother-in-law for 11 years and a greater joy to have been friends with her for 23 years. I've really been struggling with what to say. How do you say goodbye to someone who meant so much to you. Someone whose absence makes the world seem less bright and more alone now.

She loved Ed and her family fiercely. She loved to celebrate everyone's big and little successes, talents and strengths. She loved talking about her family & sharing fond memories.

She taught me recipes, gave me life and career advice, shared her family and her big heart. I miss our girls lunches & outings. I know how difficult it was for her to slow down sooner than she wanted. She was so vibrant and loved the joy of life. She filled her home with her style & creativity, delicious food, her talented paintings, her laughter, her beauty, and those she loved.

I will forever cherish the blessing that she was in my life. May her family & friends find peace and comfort.

With all my love,

Danielle Elsberry

Danielle Elsberry - July 20, 2023 at 10:22 PM

LD

“ Rita Rae was not only a dear friend to me but she was like a sister that I never had. I treasure all those many fun years we shared while working with the youth in the early years of Boulder 2nd Ward in Colorado. Our friendship has continued through these many years of our growing old. I will greatly miss her cheery voice and the phone calls we would have since being apart. She was a true friend and I will miss her so much, until we meet again. LaVera Dunbar. Ellensburg, Washington

LaVera Dunbar - July 20, 2023 at 07:55 PM

MJ

“ Rita Rae was like a big sister to me with only 6 years difference in our Birthdays. Over the years we have kept in close contact even though a long distance has separated us.. Her passing brings a severe feeling of loss to me. she will be greatly missed. Morin Juncker, Hillsboro, Oregon

Morin Juncker - July 15, 2023 at 11:44 AM