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Renee Fleming, beloved wife, mother and grandmother passed away Sunday morning, September 15, 2019. Renee was born on July 3, 1944 in San Luis Obispo, California. Moving to Utah when she was three, Renee grew up in the Salt Lake Valley, attending Granger High and the University of Utah. During college, she worked at the Genealogical Society, or the “Geny,” where she made lifelong friends. She married Don Fleming on July 15, 1966. Together they welcomed four daughters. Her family was the most important thing to her. Over the years, they enjoyed vacations, game nights and parties.

Birthdays were sacred to Renee and she went out of her way to ensure that everyone had a great day. She serenaded us with “Happy Birthday” and made sure a favorite birthday meal was made. She sent cards to every person in the family and close friends each year. She wanted everyone to know they were special to her and that they were part of a family. She loved her own birthday, too, and thought it should be a national holiday. The day before the fourth of July, her birthday was always a multi-day celebration with parades, balloons, barbecues and fireworks. Traditions were important to her and she tried hard to make good memories.

Renee adored her grandchildren. Nothing put a smile on her face like a call or visit from one of them. She was so proud of them and their accomplishments.

She was an amazing cook. Her recipes were renowned in the neighborhood and ward. She could create a gourmet meal out of nothing. She was proud of the recipes she created and loved to share them. She was always quick to take a meal or a treat to a friend or neighbor in need.

When her children were older, Renee went back to the University of Utah to finish her education. She graduated in 1998 with a degree in Behavioral Science. She was incredibly intelligent, and our resident problem solver. If a problem arose, she was on the phone finding options and solutions.



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Renee was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and loved the gospel with all of her heart. She was a gospel scholar and an excellent teacher and taught both in church and seminary.

She struggled with health problems for many years. She bore her trials with grace and dignity and strove to serve others even though she was suffering. She was an extraordinary person whose trials refined her. Her unfailing faith in the Lord and sheer determination to live extended her life far longer than anyone expected.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Doctors Darren Groberg and Landon Dickson for their excellent care, kindness and support.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Don; daughters Lisa (Shefton), Cheryl, Suzanne (Mark), and Paula; five grandchildren, Drew (Janna), Ty (Paige), Lyndsey, Brynn, Ryan and one great-granddaughter, Eden. She is also survived by her siblings Karen Halterman, Joyce Crockett, John Hoggan, Leo Jolley and Rose Haslam. She was preceded in death by her mother, Elizabeth Gardner and sister, Kriste Street.

A viewing will be held on Sunday, September 22, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at the LDS Stake Center on 2450 W 10400 S in South Jordan. Funeral services will be held on Monday, September 23, at 11:00 a.m. with a viewing prior to the service at 10:00 a.m. at the same location. Interment to follow at South Jordan City Cemetery.



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Delinda Gordon posted:

Im so sorry for your loss Cheryl. Losing a parent is so difficult. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I hope you're doing well
Delinda Gordon

September 23 at 5:21 AM



Kathy Robinson posted:

I knew Renee when we all worked at the Temple Records Index Bureau while we were all college students She was always so kind to me, and had a very sympathetic heart if I was ever having a down day.I remember one day when she told us about one Christmas, when her family was on a Sub-for-Santa list. She remembered how thankful she was, not because she received gifts for herself, but how happy she was that her younger siblings were able to have a good Christmas with toys and clothes. That was typical of Renee--more concerned about others than she was for herself.Even when it had been years since we had had contact (I moved to Texas in 1972) and the TIBs got together, she had been suffering poor health, but she showed more concern about some difficult things which had happened in my life, than about her own problems. She was a sweet lady, and this world will be a little less bright because her light has moved to a new realm. Love you, Renee! Kathy Harris Robinson

September 22 at 9:24 AM



Richard Gamonal posted:

I always enjoyed your company and making you laugh Aunt Renee. You were always a gracious and welcoming person. You resolved problems and put people in contact with all your connects. Can't forget all our philosophical discussions that I enjoyed. An empty space in the family for sure. But you have some awesome fun and funny kids and Uncle Don is a hoot. Thank you for all the classical composers... you will be greatly missed.~ Love Matthew & Richard

September 19 at 1:48 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Renee by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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