



# Kathleen Sims Flygare

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**K**athleen Sims Flygare passed away on April 9, 2022, in Provo, Utah peacefully surrounded by her family. She was born July 29, 1947 in Salt Lake City to Elmer and LaRue Hoopes Sims. She was raised in Provo and was a proud graduate of Provo High School before attending BYU. She especially loved her time in Acapella and traveled to a number of different places to perform. She married her high school sweetheart, Lenard Bruce Flygare, on December 27, 1967, in the Manti Temple and together they had four children, Lonny, Holly, Tami and Brady. First living in San Diego while Bruce was in the Navy, then in Payson, and finally settled in Orem, Utah.

A life-long member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, she served in many callings, the longest as ward chorister and ward newsletter editor. She loved serving others, especially her children and grandchildren. Even when she couldn't serve others in the neighborhood anymore, she would make baby rattles to give to new babies and donate to humanitarian projects. She worked for Tupperwear, Creative Cakes and Challenger Preschool before she started teaching piano lessons out of her home. There, she was able to share her love of music as she taught hundreds of piano students, including two of her children and three grandchildren, over the course of 25 years until she retired.

More than anything, Kathleen loved her family. She would do anything for them. Her family will miss her annual family Christmas party, themed gifts, and fresh \$2, \$20 and \$50 dollar bills (She must have inherited her private printing press from her mother LaRue). She loved to hear about everything going on in their lives, including sports, school and friends. She also loved to travel and went on many trips with family and friends.

Kathleen is survived by husband, Lenard Bruce Flygare, daughters Holly (Dave) Gardner, Tami (Shane) Clevenger, son Brady (Brook) Flygare, eighteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, brother Marvin (DeAnn) Sims, and sisters Roylane (Barry) Edwards, Lynette (Warren) Child, and JaVan Sims, as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. She was



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preceded in death by her son Lonny (Lisa) Flygare, parents Elmer and LaRue, brother Boyd (Susan) Sims, and sister Marjean (Terry) Farrer.

Her family would like to thank all of the medical staff who cared for her through the years of health problems and hospital stays. We would also like to thank our father, Bruce, for his devoted service to our mother. Married for over 54 years, Bruce and Kathleen took great care of each other, especially in their later years. They truly loved each other.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 15th with the viewing starting at 9:00 AM and memorial service at 11:00 AM at the Northridge 14th ward LDS church house located at 1875 North 280 West in Orem, Utah. Internment will be at Orem City Cemetery at 1520 North 800 East in Orem, Utah. Services will be available online at: <http://bit.ly/nr14zoom>. Condolences can be sent to the family at [www.premierfuneral.com](http://www.premierfuneral.com).



## Tribute Wall

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**Richard Stringham** posted:

We remember the Sims so well in the Provo 13th Ward. What a great family. We send our love and best to you all. Richard and Mary Ann Stringham

April 16 at 6:59 AM



**Richard Hoopes** posted:

We were and will always be "Best Friends" as we grew up and played together in Provo, Utah. My condolences to all the Family! Love you all, Richard Hoopes.

April 13 at 11:46 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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