



# Catherine Yvonne Prince Montgomery

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Catherine Yvonne Prince Montgomery, 74, graduated from mortality on Sunday, September 22nd, 2024, following a valiant and determined battle with Alzheimer's. She was born February 25th, 1950, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the second child of eight to Jack Raymond and Yvonne Morgan Prince. She grew up in their very close and loving family with three sisters and four brothers: Lanea (John (d)) Breinholt, Jacquee (Lynn) Ferrin, Scott (Denice) Prince, Evera (Margaret) Prince, Spencer (Tami) Prince, Jack (Janet) Prince and Rebecca Prince, who died in infancy. Catherine met and married Rick Miles (her now former husband) while both were studying at the University of Utah. They were married on September 3, 1970. They soon moved to St. George and were blessed with three children: Garrett, Monica, and Morgan. Catherine lived in St. George until 2005 when she returned to Salt Lake City

Catherine's children and grandchildren were the highlight of her life. Her home was the neighborhood magnet for her children's friends and cousins, where they played for hours upon hours. Some had the added blessing of extended stays where Catherine shared her motherly love, amongst other talents, without hesitation. Catherine loved music and she taught piano to the youth of St. George for decades. She instilled the sense of service in her students, through piano, including having her students perform at care centers. Catherine also passed on a deep love of music to her children (albeit with much patience!) and everyone who spent time in her home. Catherine lived to serve. She was an exemplary member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where she fulfilled many callings, including Relief Society President; ministering to any and all who were blessed to cross paths with her. Catherine's service extended well beyond her church callings. She was a member of the Washington County School Board for 16 years and felt she helped lift the quality of education throughout the district via her efforts.



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Catherine believed strongly in education. She ultimately earned her B.A. in Literature at Southern Utah University in Cedar City. Besides teaching piano, she taught English at Dixie College in St. George and LDS Business College in SLC. She retired as a Career Advisor at West High School, also in SLC.

Catherine has an Aunt Marlene whose tenacious personality eventually convinced her to answer a very special phone call which led to her falling in love with John Lane Montgomery in the spring of 2014. They were married and sealed in the Salt Lake Temple on September 6th of that year and settled in the Millcreek area of SLC. November of 2015 found them heading to Nashville, TN to fulfill their shared dream of serving a mission for the Church. As was totally in character for Catherine, she wore two hats: Finance and Housing Secretary, and her effervescent personality served her well with all the missionaries always looking forward to seeing Sister Montgomery's captivating smile and perhaps a hug. In addition to her mission office duties, serving in the Nashville YSA Branch/Ward was an added bonus, where she enjoyed serving more of the youth of the Church in the greater Nashville area. Many lasting friendships and love continue from these experiences.

In late 2019 Catherine and Lane moved to VA to be nearer her two sons and their families. Their initial one-year plan turned into almost four years in Sterling, VA where they enjoyed close proximity to, and many family gatherings with, both families and all six grands with almost weekly one-on-one experiences with each grand. Attending concerts, recitals, swimming, and gymnastics meets along with library visits and local parks amongst other special events filled much of Catherine's time while in VA. She couldn't have asked for a better experience and besides family time, much of her joy was due to the ministering she received from, and was able to return service to, so many in the Algonkian LDS Ward. Many close and dear friendships continue, and many tears were shed as she departed VA for UT so Catherine could enjoy her remaining time with her daughter, siblings and other very close friends and relatives in Utah.

We thank the many family members and friends who selflessly filled the growing voids in her life with their warm presence, love, laughter and patient service. God bless you all.



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The family also expresses their heartfelt appreciation to all who helped Catherine during her time at Sunrise at Holladay Assisted Living and Memory Care units along with the Hospice Care staff. They will never know just how much Catherine and all the family love them for their devoted and professional care during Catherine's time there. May God continue to bless them for their service.

Catherine is survived by her loving husband: John Lane Montgomery; her former spouse: Rick Miles; their three children and spouses: Garrett (Haley), Monica and Morgan (Alli); and their six grandchildren: Corbin, Isaac, Ava, Gray, Mika and George. She is preceded in death by her parents and baby sister: Rebecca.

A viewing will be held Sunday, October 6th, from 6:00 – 8:00 at Premier Funeral Services, 67 East 8000 South, Midvale, Utah.

Funeral services will be held Monday, October 7th, at 11:00 am in the Holladay 25th Ward LDS Chapel, 4650 Naniloa Drive, Holladay, UT, with a viewing prior to services from 9:00 – 10:30 am.

Interment will take place at the Holladay Memorial Park, 4900 South Memory Lane, Holladay.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donating to either “West High Area of Greatest Need” or the “West High Family Resource Center” at:

<https://west.slcschools.org/community/make-a-donation> or, if you prefer, Alzheimer's\_Association\_of\_Utah

Friends and family who are unable to attend the services in person are welcome to attend them virtually by clicking on the link below:

<https://m.youtube.com/@friendsoftheholladay25thwa72>




## Events

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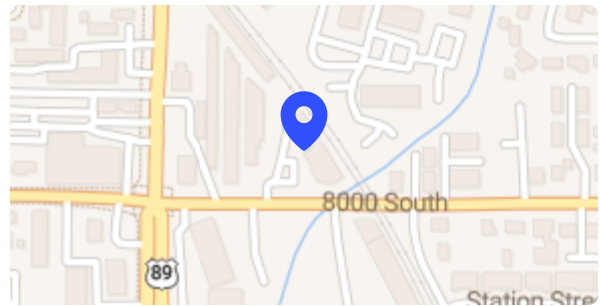
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### Viewing

 **Sunday**, October 6, 2024


 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM MT


 **Premier Funeral Services (Salt Lake City)**  
67 east 8000 south, Salt Lake City UT 84047

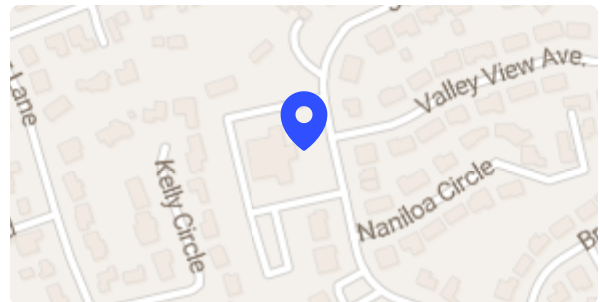


### Viewing

 **Monday**, October 7, 2024


 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM MT


 **Holladay 25th Ward**  
4650 South Naniloa Drive, Salt Lake City UT

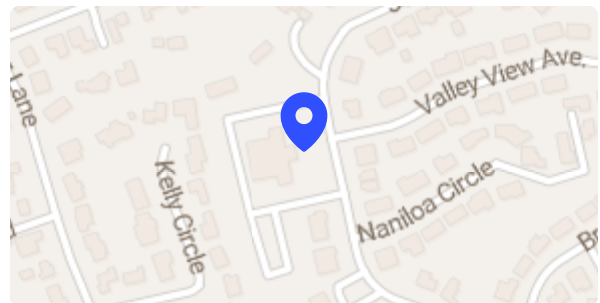


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## Tribute Wall

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YM

**Yvonne Malan** posted:

Dear Lane, We have lost track of you the last little while, and the address we have is no longer valid, I hope sharing here will be ok. Mark and extend our most heartfelt condolences to you and all of Catherine's loved ones. We felt it was a true blessing to serve and associate with both of you during your mission to Nashville. Catherine truly lit up the room with her lovely smile. She was an easy person to love, and had such a great sense of humor! She was always willing and eager to assist in any way. I guess I always felt like Catherine and I shared a special bond having been born in the same month and sharing our names. We pray for your sadness to be lightened by all of the happy memories you have and the knowledge of a joyful reunion someday. With much love, Mark and Yvonne Malan

October 7 at 8:18 AM

MS

**Morgan Stanger** posted:

We love and miss Catherine. So thankful for eternal families.

October 7 at 6:46 AM

MK

**Marcy Kamerath** posted:

Aunt Cathy was like a second mom to me and I have so many wonderful memories of and with her. She watched Morgan and I after school and made us many a snack and meal for sure, including the 'orange lunches'. She taught me piano (also with much patience and gentleness). She taught me that when you make a mistake in a piece of music you don't dwell on it, you play on—a great life lesson I recall and use still. She had the ability to break into an infectious laugh from silence, bringing bursts of joy to our family gatherings or any room I ever shared with her when she would giggle. She always brought warmth, compassion, genuine love and attention to the table and made you feel safe and loved. I miss her and love her. I hope I can bring the warmth and love to my family in similar ways that she did to our extended one.

October 6 at 6:57 PM

JH

**John Arthur Harris** posted:

Catherine was like a sister to my dear wife Nydia, who died just three weeks before her. When Nydia came to live with the Prince family at age 19, Catherine was always kind and loving to her, a fact I deeply appreciate. I am sure that they had a joyful reunion beyond the veil. What an extraordinary family, the Prince family! I know how Lane is suffering, and extend to him and family my condolences.

October 1 at 8:39 AM



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AB

**Anne Marie Barton** posted:

I am so sorry that Cathy is gone. she truly as a lovely woman and I admired her courage and strength. she was a beautiful person and will be missed. I am so sorry Monica for you to lose your dear, sweet mother. love, Anne Marie

September 29 at 12:44 AM

DS

**Devera Morgan Sanderd** posted:

I'll always remember Catherine with a sweet smile and kind spirit. She always made me feel welcome and loved in her presence. I'm glad that Families are Forever. Because someday we'll see our loved ones again.

September 28 at 7:56 PM

LP

**Leah Owen(Mike And Doris Prince)** posted:

I remember aunt Catherine being so kind and fun. She would play cards with the younger cousins, we would play cards, she was bright full of love for us and so much fun. I'm glad I was able to spend time with her and get to know her.

September 26 at 6:16 AM

CS

**Christine Shill** posted:

We were so sad to hear about Catherine, she always made you feel loved and would take the time to talk to you and was interested in what you were doing, she has the best smile, she's always been a favorite of mine, I remember when I was going through my Breast Cancer her and Rick stopped by to see me and stayed and visited with me, she was truly an Angel. she will be missed! sending our love and prayers to her family (my cousins) and children. Boyd and Christine Shill

September 26 at 5:36 AM



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TB

**Teresa Barker** posted:

Catherine is our dear friend and always will be!! We loved her gorgeous smile and her warm personality!! We were blessed to have her and Lane in our home often in Virginia. Catherine had a way of making everyone feel special. She just had so much love in her heart for everyone, young and old. She was so sweet and fun and we loved being around her. We send our condolences to all her family and especially Lane. May you all find comfort and peace during this difficult time. She'll be missed tremendously but never forgotten. ~Until we meet again...Teresa and Kent Barker

September 25 at 4:30 PM

LA

**Lane** posted:

Catherine always made it easy to understand why I fell in love with her at-first-sight. Beautiful mind, body and spirit.

September 25 at 2:48 PM



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

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



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