



Janice Lyn Nelson (Shields)

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Janice Lyn Nelson (Shields), age 86, of Pleasant Grove, UT, passed away peacefully on March 29, 2025, in South Salt Lake. She was born on May 19, 1938, in Tooele, UT to Glen ‘Sandy’ Shields and Maxine Walters.

A dedicated lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, she held the gospel of Jesus Christ close to her heart.

Shortly after her parents moved from Tooele to Pleasant Grove, she met and married Jan Howard Nelson of Pleasant Grove Utah in the Manti, UT temple on September 11, 1959.

Jan and Janice both graduated from Brigham Young University with Bachelor’s Degrees in the spring of 1960; Janice as a Registered Nurse.

That fall, following graduation, they bravely left their family home and entered a lifetime of travel and service in the Federal Government.

Entering the United States Air Force on September 24, 1960, at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, this journey took them to Tempelhof Air Base in Berlin, Germany; Ft. Meade, Maryland; Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas; Clark Air Base in the Philippines; Goose Air Base in Labrador, Canada; Keflavik Naval Air Station in Iceland; Misawa Air Base in Japan; and Warner Barracks in Bamberg, Germany. During a relatively short pause in federal service they also lived in Alamosa, Colorado and Vernal, Utah.

In 2003, Janice retired and returned home to Pleasant Grove to fulfill her dream to have a house she never had to leave again, and where she could support and be surrounded by her large family. She hosted and enjoyed hundreds of family visits for more than two decades before moving briefly to assisted living last fall.



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Her children are and will always be eternally grateful for her example of placing family first. Janice's love of her family and her dream of being surrounded by them has truly been fulfilled.

Janice is survived by all 9 of her children, Jaelyn (Mark) Dean, Lisa (Kevin) Woods, Rebecca (Todd) Raine, Paul (Wendy) Nelson, Sheila (Bryon) Madsen, Jared (Jeanette) Nelson, Jennifer Nelson, Erik (Rachel) Nelson, and Stephanie Johnson; and by 2 siblings, Jay (Barbara) Shields, Shauna Jo (Bob) Wenger, and sister-in-law Sallie Shields; as well as by 34 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Jan Howard Nelson, brother Val Shields, and grandchildren Jeremiah Williams and Katelyn Madsen.

Funeral services will be held at 105 W 1800 N, Pleasant Grove, UT on April 25 at 10:00 AM with viewing starting from 9:00 AM. The interment will be at Utah Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park, Camp Williams at 1:00 PM that same day. For those who were unable to attend the services, a broadcast recording was made: <https://youtu.be/gZ5Fkjef3hs>



Events


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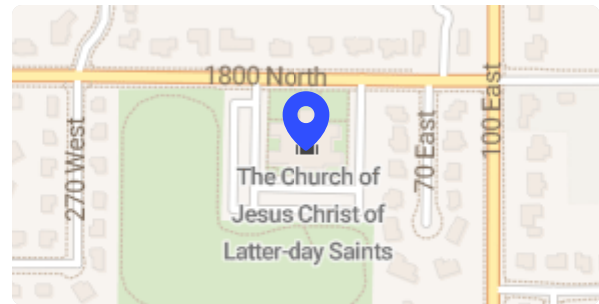
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Viewing

 **Friday**, April 25, 2025


 9:00 AM MT


 **Pleasant Grove LDS Church**
105 W 1800 N, Pleasant Grove UT

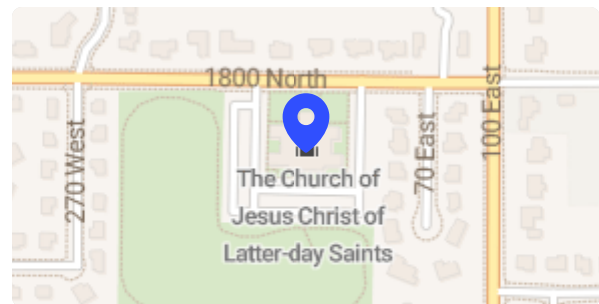


Funeral

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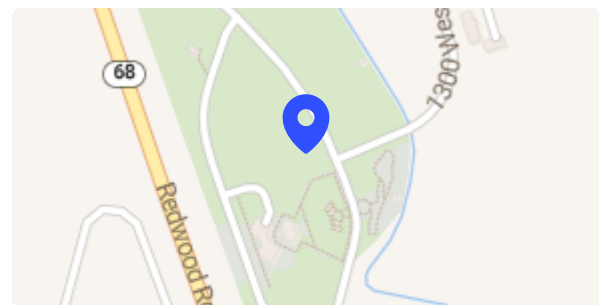
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 **Pleasant Grove LDS Church**
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Cemetery Details

 **Utah Veteran Cemetery - Camp Williams**
17111 South 1700 West, Bluffdale UT





Tribute Wall

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Premier Funeral Services shared a **Janice Nelson Funeral Services**.



May 7 at 6:47 AM



Julie Ahlstr posted:

I have many memories of Janice and her family when they came to Provo in between assignments around the world. We got to know her kids, especially the older ones. We had fun times swimming, having picnics and exploring BYU. The Shields and the Nelson's both had 9 kids. We had 6 boys and 3 girls . And they had 6 girls and 3 boys. We heard about many of the different places they lived and the great adventures they were experiencing. Then later in life, I got to visit with Janice and Jan when they moved to Pleasant Grove and we lived in Lehi. On one of our last visits with her, my husband Doug and I helped her look at some family pictures on Family Search . She told us some interesting stories about her loved ones. I was interested in hearing again about how her parents, Maxine and Sandy eloped when they got married. She lived a great life and we will miss her. Julie and Doug Ahlstrom

April 21 at 4:16 PM



Jared C. Nelson posted:

As I sat next to her in her last moments, there were many visitors. Jay Shields, her beloved brother and one of her heroes. She spoke on the phone with to her sister, Shauna Jo Wenger. Her three sons, Paul Jan Nelson, Erik Glen Nelson and Jared Christian Nelson were with her in her last hours. Her daughters were caught together on a distant outing and were not able to make it back. They all video chatted with her and offered final well wishes. She was a great mother, and provided safety and security for many decades to her large family. We will miss you, mom!

April 10 at 5:52 PM



Media

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