



## Alma Snow Whiting

December 18, 1926 - May 15, 2017

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1926 - 2017

Alma Snow Whiting, of Mapleton, Utah, died on May 15, 2017. She was born on December 18, 1926 in St. George, Utah, and was the 5th of 6 children. She was the only daughter of Karl Nelson Snow and Wanda McGregor. Though her father died when she was only 3, her remarkable widowed mother single-handedly raised 6 children.

At the age of 10, Alma moved with her family to Provo, Utah, where she attended Dixon Junior High, BYU high school, then BYU - graduating with a BS in English. At BYU she served as White Key Honorary President, Associated Women's Vice President, and President of Nautilus Social Unit. Alma loved playing the violin in BYU's symphony orchestra. During these busy University years, she waited anxiously for the return of a special missionary named Oscar Juan Whiting, who was serving in South Africa.

Alma married Juan Whiting in the Salt Lake City temple in 1949. From that moment on, her husband, family, and Church became top priorities. Juan and Alma worked beside their children on their farm, always teaching and providing a strong gospel foundation. There was always room in her heart for every special grandchild, and at the time of her passing, she was the proud grandma of 63 grandchildren, and 113 great-grandchildren.

Service in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day-Saints was a joy to her. She served faithfully in ward and stake positions. However, her greatest love was serving with her husband on two missions to Cape Town, Africa, and Zimbabwe. She used her musical talents to direct music and play the violin at many events.

Our mother has always treasured her pioneer heritage. She spent long hours writing and compiling her own personal history, and the history of her mother and grandmother.

Preceding Alma in death are her father and mother, Karl N. and Wanda M. Snow; 4

brothers, Don, Anthony, Ellsworth, and Shipley; husband, Oscar Juan; sons, David and Mark; 4 grandchildren, Christopher, Julia, and Lynzy Whiting, and Carder Doman. Surviving is 1 brother, Karl Snow (Donna), Provo; her children, Shelie Doman (Dee) - serving LDS mission in Nova Scotia; Judy Richardson (David), Perry; Mary Judd (Robert), St. George; Kaye Romney (Ben), Rexburg; Paul Whiting (Sherri), Springville; Brent Whiting (Laurie), Mapleton.

Deepest appreciation to Valero Hospice, for their loving care - especially Denise Scott, Renee Collin, Lesa Kapt.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am, Saturday, May 20, 2017 at the White Chapel, 31 West Maple Street, Mapleton, UT where a viewing will be Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and Saturday prior to services from 9:00 to 10:45 am.

# Cemetery

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## Springville Evergreen Cemetery

1997 South 400 East  
Springville, UT, 84663

# Events

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**MAY 20** **Funeral Services** 11:00AM

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White Chapel  
31 West Maple Street, Mapleton, UT, US

# Comments

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“ Both Juan and Alma had an important influence on my life. Although I didn't spend that much time in their home, it was evident that the Spirit was there. Alma was really the heart of their home. Even years later, whenever I would see here somewhere, she never failed to greet me with a warm hug. She gave the best hugs. She will be sorely missed.

Kathy Nelson

Kathleen Nelson - May 20, 2017 at 11:01 AM

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“ All my love to the Whiting Family. Oh how our mother loved Alma, and we do too. I'm sure there is joy in heaven today! She was such a fine example to follow, and a light for truth and gratitude. I can just picture her in the old white church playing her violin. I always felt welcome and loved in your home. I know she will be missed. My sister Carol wrote this sweet tribute to her and posted it on facebook. It is a beautiful expression of how we all feel. Since niether of us can be there in person I will share it with you here. She writes:

I was heartbroken to hear the news of a lifelong family friend but especially my mothers dear friend who passed away today. My Mom had a great groups of friends! They called themselves the sunshine club they would get together and quilt, plan events, get togethers, and give service. But mostly laugh, enjoy each other's company, talk, and support each other in times of need. Maybe unwittingly at a young age I saw the importance of having great friends who were there through the laughter, heartaches and tears! I was a little nostalgic today thinking of all the good times I witnessed and feeling so grateful for good and lifelong friends I have in my life that have been a lifeline when I needed it and a source of fun and laughter! My heart breaks for the Whiting family; it's hard to say goodbye to your Mom, my prayers are with you. But if the "Sun"shines a little brighter tomorrow it's because they are all together having a great reunion and planning something fun!

Cynthia Hjorth Parrish - May 20, 2017 at 08:04 AM

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“ Because Alma went to BYU at the same time as my sister, Colleen Callister Dixon, and my husband, Ray Beckham, I feel as if I have known her forever. A smile and warm greeting were always there when we met. Her genuine goodness will endure through her posterity, I am sure.

My affection and connection for Mapleton and the White Church deepen my attachment. My grandmother's home was just a block East from the Church, across from the Town Hall. I am attached to the history and to a name like WHITING!

My best to all of the family,  
Janette Callister Hales Beckham

Janette Hales Beckham - May 19, 2017 at 06:35 PM

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“ How I cherish my memories of many summers helping on the farm....fresh milk with cream, swimming at the local pool, large wholesome mid-day meals, caramel popcorn for Family Home Evening, and the tree swing, mustn't forget that! This was all possible because of Aunt Alma, who embraced me as one of her own.

Aunt Alma was always kind, thoughtful, charitable and nurturing. I'm sure her influence touched many others. What a great example of a Christ-like life.

I will love you Aunt Alma, forever!!  
"Kathy" Snow McKean

Kathleen Snow McKean - May 19, 2017 at 02:59 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about Alma's passing. I will always be grateful for her kindness and love .

I will always treasure her advice while I was preparing to attend BYU. And will never forget her delicious meals! Thank you Alma for being one of a kind!!

José Alvarado

jose alvarado - May 19, 2017 at 12:59 PM

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“ Our sympathies and condolences go to your family sorry for your loss. Alma was such a nice friendly lady to us. Phil Edmunds family

Pauline Edmunds - May 19, 2017 at 12:51 AM



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**Marcia Green** - May 18, 2017 at 10:29 AM

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**Marcia Green** - May 18, 2017 at 10:27 AM

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“ Aunt Alma is timeless; she's ALWAYS been a caring, loving and supportive part of my life. Blessings and love to you one and all, Ann

**ann** - May 17, 2017 at 07:20 AM