



## Dora Heikell

July 10, 1935 - June 28, 2016

Dora Elena Heikell

Dora Elena Heikell was born on July 10, 1935 in Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico to Eduardo and Odila Garza Diaz. She passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 28th at Samaritan Hospital. She and her family moved to the United States in 1954. She was the oldest of six siblings. Dora was affectionately known among her family as "Elenita". Dora was very responsible and always helped her parents and family.

She was educated in Mexico and loved learning. At a very early age, Dora enjoyed singing and dancing. She often had the lead singing role in school assemblies.

Dora also worked for a movie theater and enjoyed meeting people and making new friends.

Through the example of her grandmother, Agueda Flores, Dora became interested in becoming a nurse. She worked at a doctor's clinic where she received medical training. Later in life, Dora graduated from Big Bend's Nursing program as an LPN. She worked at Samaritan Hospital and loved to care for her patients. Dora had a compassionate heart and cared for people. Her life always involved helping individuals and families by taking food or

clothing to them. Through her kindness, many thought of her as their best friend. Dora also worked in the Moses lake School district as an interpreter, educational assistant and Human Resource/Home visitor.

Dora loved to garden. In the spring and summer, she could be found working in her garden for hours. The result of her green thumb was having the most beautiful roses and a variety of vegetables. Dora was always willing to give of her bountiful harvest to her family and friends. She also enjoyed traveling, camping, cooking, dancing, sewing, knitting, learning to play the piano, and acquiring computer skills.

Dora was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She loved to serve and had many callings throughout her life. She served as a Relief Society President, teacher and Cub Scout Leader.

Dora was first married to Baymon J. Summerlin in 1955. Together they raised their three children. Dora was later married to Robert L. Heikell on September 14, 1984 in Moses Lake, WA. by Bishop Les Michie. They were sealed in the Spokane Washington Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, for time and all eternity, on February 28, 2009. Together they faithfully served in the Moses Lake Second Ward, Spanish Branch and as Stake Employment Welfare Service Missionaries.

Marriage brought together their two families: Dora's surviving children: Sonia (Clark) Butterfield, Lucy (Rich) Fitterer, Ray (Kim) Summerlin. Step-children: Dorothy (Kevin) Smith, Eric (Jeff) Heikell, Mark (Ester) Heikell, and Lorence Heikell.

Grandchildren: Mario Alberto (Michelle) Heikell, Julie Butterfield, Steven (Summer) Butterfield, Brian (Rheana) Butterfield, Dylan & Ryan Summerlin, Ray Fitterer, Bethany Lamb, Scott & Matthew Heikell, David Smith, Mark Jr.

(Kay) Heikell, Chris (Brianna) Heikell and Sammy Heikell.

Great-grandchildren: Cavan, Christopher & Cameron Butterfield, Ethan & Chloe Butterfield, Adriana, Brandon, Angelina, Isaac & Avery Heikell, Layla & Cora Heikell and Aila Lamb and Aiden Heikell.

Surviving siblings: Ray (Nina) Diaz, Linda (Domingo) Garza, Odila (Carlos) Rueda and their families.

Surviving In-Laws: Linda Diaz, Ted (Joyce) Heikell, Ellena (Roger) Knobel, ZiNita (David) Carrell.

Dora was proceeded in death by her beloved husband, Robert (Bob) L. Heikell, parents, Eduardo and Odila G.Diaz, former husband, Baymon J. Summerlin, brothers, Hector Eduardo (Consuelo) Diaz, Henry (Linda) Diaz, Eric (Jeff) Heikell, Scott Heikell, Eldred & Joanie Heikell, Andrea Simpson, Deanne McAdams and Dorothy Brown.

Viewing will be from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2016 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Grape Drive Chapel—925 N. Grape Dr., Moses Lake, WA.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Grape Drive Chapel followed by burial at the Pioneer Memorial Gardens.

# Cemetery Details

## Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne  
Moses Lake, WA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Grape Drive Chapel  
925 N. Grape Dr.  
Moses Lake, WA

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

In order to be  
Irreplaceable  
one must always be  
Different

“ *My sincerest sympathies to Dora's family in their loss of this beautiful sweet woman. May you be comforted by your faith, memories, and each other.*

*With love & prayers, Kelly Anderson*

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**Kelly Anderson** - July 06, 2016 at 11:18 AM

PA

“ *My sincerest sympathies to you all. Dora had such an infectious smile & a pleasure to see at Jazzercise everyday! She will be missed by so many. God Bless*

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**Paula** - July 02, 2016 at 12:16 PM

JB

“ *"A friend to Moses Lake RC Modelers, Dora will be missed."*

*The Moses Lake RC Modelers send their condolences to Dora's family. Dora was a good friend to the club as she supported Bob's commitment to our hobby and to the club. Dora was a frequent guest at our annual Christmas party as well as our July BBQ. It was not uncommon for her to accompany Bob to the flying field as well as other flying events where she was always a delightful person to visit with. The MLRCM members who knew Dora will miss her smiling face and and charming personality.*

*In behalf of the club, I wish Dora's family peace and healing at this time of bereavement.*

*Jim Bennett, MLRCM president*

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**James Bennett** - July 01, 2016 at 12:01 PM

LA

“ Thank you Ms. Dora for everything. RIP.

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**Lupe Adamy** - June 28, 2016 at 07:54 PM

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“ I have had the pleasure of knowing both Bob and Dora for many years while I was in the 2nd ward. She was a very caring loving lady. Now she is with him for eternity.

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**Sue Hodges** - June 28, 2016 at 07:43 PM