



Lettie "LaFaun" Johnson

May 2, 1932 - February 28, 2022

LaFaun Johnson (Lettie LaFaun Nelson Taylor Johnson) passed peacefully into her Father in Heaven's arms Monday morning February 28th, 2022. She was born in the home of her Grandmother Stocks in Lewiston, Utah on May 2, 1932. She is the daughter of James Wilbur Nelson and Luella Stocks Nelson.

As a child and youth she lived in Lewiston, Utah, Preston, Idaho, White Bluffs, Washington, and Buena, Washington. She attended Kititas High School and graduated from Walla Walla High School. She also graduated from Beauty School. She married Don Taylor and they had 6 children, all surviving her: D. Craig Taylor, (Liz) South Jordan, Utah, Margie King (Robert) McCammon, Idaho, Jana Jones, Woodville, Wisconsin, Trina Boyce Larsen (Gerald) Moses Lake, Washington, Steve Taylor (Julie) Omak, Washington, Michael Taylor, Odessa, Washington. She later married Derral Johnson, Moses Lake, Washington. He had two daughters Judy Johnson Wallace, (Len) Utah, and Nancy Johnson Prentice, (Neal) Jerome, Idaho. She also brought two girls, Linda and Billie Sue with her to the U.S. when she came back from Guam with her own two little ones. She cared for them until their mother regained her health. She has 31 grandchildren and 76 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Thad Nelson and his wife Lois, Sharon Nelson and his wife Irwina, her sister Susan Nelson and both of her husbands. Also, her daughter Nancy passed away in 2019. She has an

angel granddaughter Avery Taylor and two angel great granddaughters Angela and Nevaeh Taylor.

One of her greatest joys was in seeing the growth and accomplishments of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She got a degree in Education while raising 6 children as a single mother. She taught special education in the Moses Lake schools for 26 years.

She loved flowers and bunnies. She loved beautifying her home and yard and was not afraid to swing a sledge hammer at a cinder block wall or plant many, many trees. She was an expert quilter and loved making beautiful quilts for others. She was a member of the Basin Piece-makers Quilting Guild.

She was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She loved her Father in Heaven and her Savior, Jesus Christ. She served in many organizations in the church, and in many callings in the Relief Society including as Relief Society President. She served in the Seattle, Washington Temple for three years and when the Columbia River Temple was built, she served there for many years.

A special thank you to her daughter Trina Boyce Larsen, her son Michael Taylor, and her granddaughter Sarah Boyce and others for their loving care of our mother for the last many years.

A viewing will be held Friday March 4, 2022 from 6-8 pm at the Grape Drive Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 925 North Grape Drive, Moses Lake, Washington. Saturday, March 5, 2022, there will be a short viewing at 11:00 –11:45 at the Grape Drive Chapel, 925 North Grape Drive, Moses Lake, Washington. Funeral Services will follow there at the chapel at 12:00 noon. Burial will be at Pioneer Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Moses Lake, Washington.

To join the service virtually visit <https://zoom.us/j/3878701979?pwd=OUJjTi9Hd2NmUG5YU2tVQ28xbVBuZz09>

Cemetery Details

Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne
Moses Lake, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

Visitation

MAR 5. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (PT)

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

Service

MAR 5. 12:00 PM (PT)

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Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

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“ LaFaun was very kind to me and wanted me to live at her home in Moses Lake while she was taking care of her aging mother. It was a beautiful home and made so many memories there! We had some great talks and I was living there when it was broken into. She had so many things stolen and one thing they took was her stereo with my favorite cd in it. She bought me a new CD! Love LaFaun.

Adelle Giles - May 21, 2024 at 04:32 AM

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“ I taught with LaFaun at Longview Elementary. She was so caring and loving with all her classes and such a great addition to the Longview faculty. She would bring cantaloupe filled with ice cream for treats in the faculty room. So creative with all the quilts and art work she did. I looked forward to seeing her after she retired with the quilt section at the fairs. She was just as sweet as she looks with that beautiful smile.



Condolences to the family,
Maralyn Lindholm

Maralyn Lindholm - March 05, 2022 at 05:10 PM

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“ *My mom considered your mom one of her dearest friends. I too felt your moms friendship*

Love and hugs to a very precious family to my heart,

Katrinka (Katy) Thomas McCormick

kate - March 04, 2022 at 06:58 PM

TB

“ *My condolences to her family.* 🙏



Todd Bohne - March 02, 2022 at 07:15 PM