



## Diana Joanne Berry

March 12, 1953 - June 2, 2023

Diana Joanne Berry, age 70, passed away at her home in St. George, Utah, on June 2, 2023. She was born on March 12, 1953, in Long Beach, California to Raymond and Joanne Parkins. She married Richard Lee Berry on February 14, 1976, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

She was raised in Long Beach, California, where she graduated from Millikan High School. She later received her Associate of Arts degree from Dixie State University. Diana worked as a bookkeeper for Starkist Tuna, where she earned the nickname "Charlie". Her favorite job was as a substitute teacher for the Washington County School District (15 years).

Diana's main hobbies were fishing, camping, art, cruising, and serving others. She was a friend to everyone. She and Richard joined the Church of Jesus Christ together on February 14, 1977, in Valencia, California. A year later they were sealed in the Los Angeles temple. She served in a wide variety of church callings, including five full-time missions with her husband.

Diana was a foster parent to 13 children in California and Idaho. Although she was unable to give birth herself, she invited two unwed mothers into her home during their pregnancy in Idaho. Diana and Richard adopted Adam Michael Berry, as a baby in California (8-15-1979) and Danielle Nicole Berry, also as a baby, in Idaho (1-8-1983). She also gained two beautiful daughters when she

married Richard: Jane' Marie Berry (Nappi) and Michele Lee Berry (Diamond).

She is survived by her husband of 47 years, her daughters Jane' Nappi of Phoenix, AZ., Michele (Mark) Diamond of Scottsdale, AZ., and Danielle (Scott) Jones of Hurricane, UT. She will be missed by her 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren and her sisters Pat (Ray) Bolton of St. George and Rhonda Baskins of Long Beach, California.

She was preceded in death by her son Adam Michael Berry, parents Raymond and Joanne Parkins, and her sisters Kathy Middough and Linda Sue Jeppson.

The family would like to thank Dixie Hospice for their loving care and support.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the Fort Peirce LDS Chapel located at 750 Fort Pierce Drive, St. George, Utah. Viewings will be held on Friday, June 16, 2023, from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and again on Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. at the same location.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUN 16. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (MT)

Fort Pierce LDS Chapel  
750 Fort Pierce Drive  
St George, UT 84790

## Viewing

JUN 17. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (MT)

Fort Pierce LDS Chapel  
750 Fort Pierce Drive  
St George, UT 84790

## Funeral Service

JUN 17. 10:00 AM (MT)

Fort Pierce LDS Chapel  
750 Fort Pierce Drive  
St George, UT 84790

# Tribute Wall

ML

“ *Missing you and Loving you Sweet Friend! We met in 2014 and it was like we knew each other forever already and became Fast Friends ❤️ Thank you for our wonderful Scripture studies and Everything! You and Rich are the best Senior Missionary couple to ever know. Sending hugs to all your Family and all who have ever known you. We will see you again 😊💕*  
*Love, MelissaTheGreaT*

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**Melissa Larsen** - January 26 at 04:07 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Recording*



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**Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah** - June 19, 2023 at 11:31 AM

JR

“ *Rich and Danielle what a legacy your mom and wife left. She was simply amazing. She was the one person who would always say hello or speak to me when she saw me. She was so genuine. The world lost one of the very best! My heart aches for your loss. For all of us who knew her also. She was a gift and blessing. May your warmest joyful memories of her make you feel love and sustain you in this difficult journey ahead. Thank you Diana for being you. With much love Janet Reber*

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**janet reber** - June 17, 2023 at 10:35 PM

BH

“ *Diana, we love you! Thank you for your friendship with my daughter Nicole. You would often come over just to visit. You painted Nicole a beautiful painting that hangs in her room. Everytime I see it, I think of you.... your grace, your kindness and compassion. You were truly one of our "earth angels" and we will miss you greatly.*  
*love, Barbara Hilton*

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**Barbara Hilton** - June 17, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Diana Joanne Berry.*



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June 15, 2023 at 01:58 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Diana Joanne Berry.*

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June 15, 2023 at 01:58 PM

MD

“ I do not have but just one beautiful memory of Diana... there are too many to count. She was not only the love of my father's life, the amazing mother to my younger blessed siblings, a dedicated sibling herself to her many close sisters, a true friend to all she met, a selfless angel to all those she touched, she was also one of kindest people that ever walked this earth who I personally had the pleasure of knowing and loving for almost my entire life. I will deeply miss her warming smile, sweet giggle and the best bear hugs a daughter could ever want! Thank you for coming into my life. I will miss you dearly Di, until we meet again, Love your Daughter #2, Michele xoxox

Michele Diamond - June 15, 2023 at 01:34 PM

LP

Diana was the most enthusiastic and loving friend. She will be missed.

Lynn Parke - June 15, 2023 at 04:25 PM

ML

I just found out today that my sweet Friend, Diana has died. She was the best Friend, sweetest second Mom, and Sister in Christ I could ever ask for. She--along with Rich--were my Senior Missionaries in 2014 and I share so many amazing special memories with my sweet Berry's 🍓 Much Love, Prayers, Hugs offered and I know we will all meet up with her again ❤️❤️  
Love, MelissaTheGreaT

Melissa Larsen - January 26 at 03:58 PM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Yunuen Mancilla - June 14, 2023 at 01:19 AM



*Diana, I met you in Chihuahua MX in 2004. We became friends right away. After the mission our friendship continues. You are a wonderful and beautiful soul. I like you never judge. You always have so much love for everyone. Te amo. Gracias por todo*

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**Yunuen Mancilla** - June 14, 2023 at 01:25 AM

RA

*I am so happy for Diana to be rid of her ailments but so sad for family members. Her lively spirit and fun loving nature have been missed here in Meridian but take on a new finality now that she is really gone. May we all continue to remember and try to emulate her wonderful being.*

*RaNae Mellor ,  
Neighbor and friend*

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**RaNae** - June 16, 2023 at 02:47 PM

RB

*A wonderful, wonderful woman. She will be missed greatly, but thank goodness we will see her again in not too many years, because again thank goodness, we are older than her by 8 and 10 years. Our best to you Richard, and your family. A great legacy.*

*Rod and Jill Bergman  
Fellow Missionaries*

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**Rodney Bergman** - July 01, 2023 at 06:15 AM