



Emily Jean Underlin Anderson

September 21, 1989 - August 22, 2025

In Loving Memory of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson

Emily Jean Underlin Anderson, our beloved wife, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend, graduated from this life on August 22, 2025, after a valiant battle with translocation renal cell carcinoma (kidney cancer). Born on September 21, 1989, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Peter and Kathleen Underlin, Emily's radiant spirit and steadfast faith touched countless lives. She fought her fight, finished her course, and kept the faith, moving on to a higher and holier sphere.

Raised in Sandy, Utah, Emily nurtured a love for learning early on. After graduating from Jordan High School, she earned a biochemistry degree from Utah State University. Her passion for medicine led her to work as a research study coordinator at Huntsman Cancer Institute in Murray for two years. Emily joined the Navy, which gave her the ability to achieve her life-long dream of becoming a physician. This led her to completing an internship in Portsmouth, Virginia, and attending flight school in Pensacola, Florida, before serving her country as a Navy flight surgeon. She and her husband, Kolton, cherished their time in Florida and later moved to beautiful Kaneohe, Hawaii, for her first Naval assignment. There, she served with a Marine unit in the Philippines. After her diagnosis, Emily and Kolton relocated to Kaysville and Farmington, Utah, to be near Huntsman Cancer Institute. In July 2024, they joyfully settled in St. George, Utah, a place they had long dreamed of calling home, surrounded by dear neighbors, friends, and family.

Emily's life was defined by her determination to achieve her goals. She mastered the piano, danced en pointe in ballet, earned academic honors, hiked mountains, and pursued knowledge with relentless effort. An adventurer at heart, she loved traveling and exploring new places with Kolton, camping with her family, and hiking. Her creativity shone through in exotic, delicious, recipes that delighted those around her, as well as in decorating her homes and coordinating outfits. Emily's courage was evident from childhood—whether tubing down hills, accompanying choirs on the piano, or enduring survival training in the Navy, where she humorously noted, “The Navy tried to drown me.” Above all, her meekness, kindness, and empathy, paired with her deep faith in God and love for the Savior, inspired her to serve others and emulate Christ.

Emily served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Independence, Missouri, teaching the Gospel in Spanish and English at church historical sites. It was there she met an elder who later became the love of her life. Emily and Kolton married in the Salt Lake Temple on June 25, 2013, building a life filled with love and adventure.

We extend heartfelt gratitude to family, friends, neighbors, and even strangers for their overwhelming support through kind thoughts, meals, cards, flowers, visits (some traveling hundreds of miles), and prayers. These acts of love sustained Emily and her family, bringing countless miracles over the past two years. Special thanks to Dr. Sumati Gupta and her nurse, Kendra, at Huntsman Cancer Institute, for their compassionate care and unwavering dedication.

Emily's life was a testament to faith, courage, and love. May her memory continue to inspire us all.

Emily is survived by her devoted husband, Kolton; parents, Peter and Kathleen Underlin; sister, Rachel (Lance) Jensen; nieces, Bethany, Izzy,

Olivia, Abigail, and Vanessa; parents-in-law, Roger and Sherry Anderson; brothers- and sisters-in-law; foster siblings; and her beloved dog, Henry (“Fluffernutter”). Her sweet smile, gentle yet deliberate nature, sense of humor, fortitude, tenacity, and quiet goodness will be deeply missed. Yet, her legacy inspires us to “let God prevail” as we look forward to reuniting with her.

A public viewing will be held on Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., with the funeral starting at 2:00 p.m. Services will be held at her local LDS church building located at 1068 Chandler Dr., St George, UT. Military Honors will follow.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at www.SerenityStG.com Arrangements are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah 435-986-9100.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP 2. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (MT)

Chandler Drive LDS Chapel
1068 Chandler Dr.
St. George, Utah 84790

Funeral Service

SEP 2. 2:00 PM (MT)

Chandler Drive LDS Chapel
1068 Chandler Dr.
St. George, UT

Tribute Wall

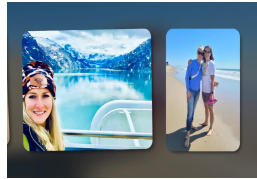


“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - September 03, 2025 at 10:50 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Slideshow Video*



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“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Audio Recording*



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“ *Tamera T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*

Tamera T. - September 01, 2025 at 04:23 PM

LA

“ Leighton A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Leighton A. - September 01, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.



August 31, 2025 at 11:57 AM

SM

“ Shelley M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Shelley M. - August 31, 2025 at 10:46 AM

SE

“ Sylvia E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Sylvia E. - August 31, 2025 at 10:18 AM

BM

“ Bob, Les and Margaret planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Bob, Les and Margaret - August 30, 2025 at 11:45 PM

BM

“ Bob, Les and Margaret purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.



Bob, Les and Margaret - August 30, 2025 at 11:45 PM

WL

“ With love, Chuck and Mary Ann Lush purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.



With love, Chuck and Mary Ann Lush - August 30, 2025 at 07:30 PM

WL

“ With love, Chuck and Mary Ann Lush planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

With love, Chuck and Mary Ann Lush - August 30, 2025 at 07:30 PM

CJ

“ Cousin David Johanson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Cousin David Johanson - August 30, 2025 at 01:23 PM

CJ

“ *Cousin David Johanson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



Cousin David Johanson - August 30, 2025 at 01:23 PM

TB

“ *Tiffany Casteller, Allison Bennion purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



Tiffany Casteller, Allison Bennion - August 30, 2025 at 09:16 AM

TB

“ *Tiffany Casteller, Allison Bennion planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*

Tiffany Casteller, Allison Bennion - August 30, 2025 at 09:16 AM

JS

“ *Juliana and Aaron Shalom purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



Juliana and Aaron Shalom - August 29, 2025 at 09:58 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



August 28, 2025 at 12:25 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

August 28, 2025 at 12:25 PM



“ *Missouri Missionaries & USU friends purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



Missouri Missionaries & USU friends - August 28, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ *Missouri Missionaries & USU friends planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*

Missouri Missionaries & USU friends - August 28, 2025 at 11:39 AM

GK

“ George and Susan Van Komen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

George and Susan Van Komen - August 27, 2025 at 11:15 PM

GK

“ George and Susan Van Komen purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.



George and Susan Van Komen - August 27, 2025 at 11:15 PM

AB

“ Aunt Ruthy, Rex, Ginger, Heidi and Brayd purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.



Aunt Ruthy, Rex, Ginger, Heidi and Brayd - August 27, 2025 at 09:46 PM

AB

“ Aunt Ruthy, Rex, Ginger, Heidi and Brayd planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.

Aunt Ruthy, Rex, Ginger, Heidi and Brayd - August 27, 2025 at 09:46 PM

BS

“ We served with Emily during her mission in Missouri. We were so fortunate to have the opportunity to get to know her during her time serving with us at the Historic Liberty Jail. She was brilliant and told us she wanted to be a neurosurgeon in the future. We saw some of her skills especially dancing that she would sometimes do around the rotunda when we weren't busy. After MIM we went to her and Kolton's wedding reception. They were perfect for each other. As we served another mission at the Mormon Battalion Historic Site in San Diego, Emily and Kolton stopped by to see us. I remember showing the other sister missionaries there on duty how they would later get a hug from me after their missions and gave Emily a big hug as an example. We also got to go to dinner with Emily and Kolton in Old Town San Diego. When we found out Emily had cancer we were hopeful for her recovery and it broke our hearts when we heard of her passing.

Bill and Lou Ann Sinclair

Bill and Lou Ann Sinclair - August 27, 2025 at 03:12 PM

SW

*The late, Sister Sherry and I served with Emily, Sister Underlin, while we served our Senior Mission at the Independence Missouri Mission. All the Sisters were very kind to Sister Sherry Wells, my wife. They treated her to a feeling of being the substitute mother yet guide as to what a Sister Missionary might do. I'm heart broken to hear of her passing and want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for having had a short time to surround ourselves with the young missionaries.
Elder Steve and the late Sister Sherry Wells Feb 2010-Aug 2011*

Steve Wells - August 27, 2025 at 11:18 PM

BS

“ *Bill and Lou Ann Sinclair purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Emily Jean Underlin Anderson.*



Bill and Lou Ann Sinclair - August 27, 2025 at 02:46 PM

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