



## Fae Donna Graf

March 3, 1937 - November 17, 2020

Fae Donna Chamberlain Graf, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, and friend, peacefully passed away on November 17, 2020 at home surrounded by her family. She was born March 3, 1937 in St. George, Utah, to Hugh and Ramona Anderson Chamberlain. She married Garry W. Graf on July 18, 1959 in the St. George Temple.

Donna was raised in Orderville, Utah. She attended schools there, graduating from Valley High School in 1955, after which she attended Dixie Jr. College and BYU, graduating in 1958. She taught first grade in Orem until moving with her husband to Escalante, Utah, where he taught seminary. From there the couple and their two sons moved back to BYU for a year while completing a masters degree, after which they were assigned to the Cedar City Seminary in 1964, and then the Institute of Religion in 1966 until retirement in 2001.

Donna was a very loving and loyal wife, mother, and grandmother. Her family and church were her life – she was so concerned about each and everyone – never forgetting birthdays and special occasions, and missionaries! She spent a lot of time and dedicated effort in compiling journals for her children and doing family history work. She desired and was blessed with a large family of nine children, 40 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Donna ran a large daycare in her home for some 32 years. How she loved and cared for those children over the years!

Donna enjoyed sewing for her family and meeting special needs.

Donna was a very devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was a very spiritual person to the core. Her favorite calling in the church was in the Primary, where she served for many years. She was an outstanding teacher. She especially loved General Conference and eagerly looked forward to each one. She loved to study the gospel and was an avid reader of the scriptures and books about doctrine and Church History. She had a special love for the temple.

Donna suffered poor health for much of her life. Because of this, she was not able to do many things that she desired to do, but she persevered in spite of health limitations and accomplished much. She kept a good attitude through it all. In her final weeks, she received excellent, special care from Ethan Bunker and others from Sun Tree Home Health & Hospice.

She will be greatly missed! Donna is survived by her husband, Garry, of 61 years, and her children Michael (Barbara) Cedar Hills, UT; Brian (Sharla) Orem, UT; Curtis (Sydna) Draper, UT; Sheri (Lynn) Cedar City, UT; Stephanie, Cedar City, UT; Kimberly (Shaun) Highland, UT; Lisa (Jay) Eagle Mountain, UT; Nathan, Las Vegas, NV; and Ryan (Donna) St. George, UT. She is also survived by her brother, John Chamberlain; sister, Sherrie Misel; and brother, Brent Chamberlain.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah. Funeral service for her children and spouses only will be held Saturday, November 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the 2nd Ward meetinghouse in Cedar City, UT.

The services will be live streamed via zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/97536846547?pwd=eStTc2d6MmZJbEVwd3hyR2g5NmhhZz09>

Meeting ID: 975 3684 6547 Passcode: 380339. A graveside service will follow at the Cedar City Cemetery at 12:30 pm.

Family and friends are invited to share condolences online at [www.SerenityStG.com](http://www.SerenityStG.com). Services are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 986-9100.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar City Cemetery

685 N. Main Street  
Cedar City, UT

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

NOV 28. 12:30 PM (MT)

Cedar City Cemetery  
685 N. Main Street  
Cedar City, UT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Tribute Video in memory of Fae Donna Graf*



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**Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah** - December 01, 2020 at 06:37 PM



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**Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah** - December 01, 2020 at 06:38 PM

MI

“ Hello cousins! This is Michelle (Roberta's daughter). I've been thinking what to write because your mom is so amazing! It's hard to put to words, and you all did awesome today speaking! I loved my Aunt Donna for taking time to truly listen and for all her wisdom and good advice. She was there during the good and not so good times in my life. I especially appreciated her love and support with a phone call after my divorce and one of the darkest times in my life. She talked with me for quite awhile and we laughed and cried. I felt bad I took a lot of her time, but she was gracious and made it seem all right. Also a big THANKS to you Uncle Garry for your great example and kindness. We pray for all of you to be comforted and especially feel of God's love as you mourn. Love, Michelle & Brad Roskelley and Aaron and Emily

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**Michelle** - November 28, 2020 at 05:04 PM

LM

Oh Michelle, you are so very loved by Mom and all of us! I love you so much, cousin!!! Thank you for sharing your memory of mom with her support to you in that darkest time for you, she was very aware during that time especially of your sorrow and heart ache. Mom loves you so very very much!! Love you!!!!  
- Lisa

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**Lisa Mills** - December 01, 2020 at 11:59 AM

MN

“ Aunt Donna was always so kind to me and I always felt loved by her. I have fond memories of coming to visit and play with cousins and eat Aunt Donna's delicious food. Your home was a gathering place and a place of love. Uncle Garry, we love you and your family, my fun loving cousins, and pray for peace and comfort during this difficult time. I know that Heavenly Father and his son, Jesus Christ, are aware of your family and promise comfort and healing if you come unto Him. Love, Melissa (DeCow) and Tony Naccarato family.

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**Melissa Naccarato** - November 28, 2020 at 11:35 AM

LM

*Melissa, your sweet memories warmed my heart so much, thank you for sharing them here with us!! Mom and all of us family loves you and all your family so much! Thank you, again, for your sweet words!*  
-Lisa

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**Lisa Mills** - December 01, 2020 at 12:01 PM

JT

“ *Grandma Graf - She was my american grandmother. She wrote me every month while I was serving in Canada, and sent a card every birthday until she passed. She is a gem and a wonderful person. Condolences to the Graf family.*

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**Jason Teng** - November 27, 2020 at 01:06 AM

LM

*Jason!! Thank you so much!! Grandma and Grandpa Graf, and ALL of us, LOVE YOU and your Teng family SO much!!!*  
-Lisa

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**Lisa Mills** - December 01, 2020 at 12:02 PM

JN

“ *elder graf Sending condolences from my family to yours love suzan noorlander (halladay)*

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**Johanna noorlander** - November 22, 2020 at 09:14 PM

LM

*Thank you so very much!!*

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**Lisa Mills** - December 01, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *I so loved Donna. Such good memories of her. Both my mother and father were also fond of her and had some good stories to tell. I'm sorry for your loss. May God bless you.  
Curtis Chamberlain.*

**Curtis Chamberlain** - November 20, 2020 at 03:06 PM



*Thank you C.C. Mom loved your folks! I imagine our mothers spent a lot of time praying for their knot-head teenagers - I believe the prayers helped. ❤️ Sheri*

**Sheri Smith** - November 22, 2020 at 05:03 PM



“ *Sunny Memories was purchased for the family of Fae Donna Graf.*



November 19, 2020 at 10:47 AM



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**Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah** - November 18, 2020 at 11:37 AM

JG

*Garry and family: DeAnn and I wanted to express our condolences to each of you for the loss of your wife, mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. It's so sad that we are not able to express ourselves in person. We hope your loss is eased somewhat through the many thoughts and expressions of sorrow you are receiving on-line. As a cousin, I am often asked if I am related to Garry and answer proudly that I am. Everyone in the Cedar City area loves your family. Our best wishes to you at this difficult time. John and DeAnn Graff*

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**John Graff** - November 23, 2020 at 10:32 PM

LM

*This is such a heart-warming message, thank you so very very much!  
-Lisa*

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**Lisa Mills** - December 01, 2020 at 01:16 PM