



LaVerle Turnbow Hansen

December 1, 1941 - October 13, 2023

LaVerle Turnbow Hansen December 1, 1941 - October 13, 2023, LaVerle Turnbow Hansen, age 81, passed away Friday the 13th of October 2023, leaving behind cherished memories and a legacy of love and faith.

LaVerle was born on December 1, 1941, in Coalville, Utah to Mary LaVerle Wagstaff and John Ivan Turnbow. She was the first of four children and eldest grandchild on the Wagstaff line. LaVerle was raised in Kamas, Utah. She enjoyed being a part of the band and choir at South Summit High School. After graduating, she attended the University of Utah for a semester.

On April 5, 1962, she and Nyle LeRoy Hansen were sealed for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake City Temple. In their early years together, they lived in Salt Lake City, Utah, followed by Ashton, Idaho, and then returned to SLC to raise their five children. LaVerle spent a few years living in Cottonwood, Arizona while helping to build a travel agency. In 1995, Nyle and LaVerle moved to the St. George area, where they spent the remainder of their lives.

LaVerle was a devoted member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She served faithfully in many callings, including Young Women's organization, sports programs, and ward historian. She enjoyed doing family history work and had a wealth of knowledge and information about both her and Nyle's families.

She was involved in the community, serving as president of the Holiday Lady Lions Club and as a member of Utah Women of Travel. She and Nyle were in a bowling league in Salt Lake for many years. They enjoyed attending BYU football and basketball games with friends.

At age 11, she found her passion for travel with her first train ride to Idaho Falls. Her adventurous spirit took her to numerous places including Mexico, Israel, Greece, Peru, and Singapore; she experienced different cultures and created lasting memories. It led to a career in the travel industry, as she worked alongside Nyle building their insurance agencies. She instilled this love for traveling in her descendents through many road trips across the United States, cruises on the oceans, and flying (airplane or broomstick) throughout the world.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nyle Hansen, her daughter Nyla Miller, her son Steven Hansen, her parents, and her brother Steven (Colleen) Turnbow. LaVerle is survived by her loving family, including her daughters Julie (Scott) Reiter, Leslie (Matthew) Taylor-Mecham, Amity John and her sisters Opal (Mike) Scott and Kathy (Terrell) Brooksby.

Her legacy continues through her grandchildren including Jeremy Cluff, Lany Hancock, Beau Christensen, Jessica Beatty, Aalira Taylor, Justin Taylor, Lynne Bankhead, Alyasia John, and Samantha John, and numerous great-grandchildren, who were a source of great joy and pride in her life.

LaVerle is remembered as a wise, strong, independent woman with a love of travel and a giant heart.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at the Panorama Ward chapel: 259 N Mall Drive, St George, Utah. Visitation with

friends and family will be held prior to the service from 12:00-12:45 pm.

Since LaVerle did not like being cold, she told the family that they could not bury her during the winter, so her remains will be buried next to her husband at the Marion Cemetery sometime during the warmer part of 2024.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online. Arrangements and memorial tree planting by Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/94730863479>

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (MT)

Mall Drive LDS Chapel
259 North Mall Drive
St. George, UT 84790

Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 1:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of LaVerle Turnbow Hansen.*



October 19, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ *LaVerle took over planning family get togethers for the Turnbow family if it was not for her i would not have meet alot of my extended family. I appreciated her for doing all that. Love Janet*

Janet Atkinson - October 19, 2023 at 09:30 AM



Janet, I am so happy we reconnected through the Turnbow reunions in Kamas

Kathy Turnbow Brooksby - October 19, 2023 at 01:28 PM

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Hi Hansen family. This is the Bennions. As you know Nyle and LaVerle lived in our Panorama Ward for many years. They were beyond friendly and service minded.

We remember fondly their annual Christmas neighborhood open houses with all their decorations and goodies. When we mentioned LaVerle's passing to our third son (now married with two kids), he said, "Oh they are the ones that had the Christmas parties with the divinity and meat balls!"

We had many Cub and Boy Scout and Young Men swim parties. It was a delight to have "Santa Claus" show up at our house when our kids were younger.

I so enjoyed as a neighbor and then even more as a Bishop, visiting in their home. Who couldn't resist yet another story from Brother Hansen and see Sister Hansen's patient smile. I told Sister Hansen many times how much she reminded me of my own mom. Both with similiar statures (small and a bit rotund and similiar short hair, grand smile and peaceful, kind demeanor.) I told Sister LaVerle that when she gets to the spirit world to look up my Mom so they could meet each other, swap stories and become friends.

We will miss Sister Hansen. One of my highlights (literally) of the week was to see and greet Sister Hansen on Sundays at church. That brought a smile to my face and heart.

I am eager to see the Hansen's on the other side, listen to a Nyle story and see LaVerle's patient smile.

Love, Martel and Sherilyn Bennion and family

Martell Bennion - November 20, 2023 at 04:34 PM