



## Lorna Hall Flater

March 6, 1922 - January 19, 2018

Lorna Hall Flater, 95 passed away in Hurricane, UT, on January 19, 2018. She was born on March 6, 1922, in Hurricane, Utah, she was the third child, and oldest daughter, of Alvin and Ann Pickett Hall. She married Wendel Junior Flater, of Bloomfield, Indiana, in Kanab, UT. They had six children.

Lorna didn't always have the luxury of staying home with the kids. At times she worked in a factory, and when her husband had his own business in Indiana she assisted him with taking orders and making deliveries. Lorna was well-known for her easy rapport with small children. She worked for a time at a day-care center, and taught children during decades at church. After she was widowed, Lorna, accompanied by her youngest son, returned to Hurricane from Indiana to care for her elderly mother.

At the Senior Citizen Center, Lorna learned to paint. Until that time she had always believed that she had no artistic talent, but her paintings became prized gifts for her grandchildren, and won several ribbons at the county fair and at "Peach Days." Lorna was also asked to assist in genealogy work by helping in the "name extraction" program. She reviewed microfiche of centuries-old government and church records. She had to learn old English script to perform this. At first she didn't think she was capable, but she came to love this work, and continued many years as a volunteer. Lorna also served as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Denver,

CO, when she was in her 60s. Lorna enjoyed tending flowers, which she continued to do at the rehab center where she lived after her last stroke.

Lorna is survived by: her daughters, Lorna Louise Thomas, of Hurricane, and Sherma Pritchard, of Nashville, IN; and by her sons Billy Joe Flater, of the Philippines, Larry David Flater, of Independence, MO, and Ronald Wendel Flater, of Phoenix, AZ; a sister Beverly, and her brothers Roland and Vard, as well as many in-laws, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins, of all whom she was very fond. She was preceded to the eternal realm by her husband, Wendel (“Windy”), and by a son, John Stanley Flater; her parents, her brothers, Wendell and Gerald, and her sisters Alaina (Glenna), Evelyn, and Rhean.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 27, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the Hurricane 2nd Ward chapel 155 East 1050 North Hurricane, UT.

Visitations will be held Friday evening from 5:00-6:30 p.m., and again on Saturday morning from 9:00-9:40, both at the chapel. Lorna will be laid to rest next to her husband in the Hurricane City Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Lorna taught me so much in the last 5 years that I had the blessing of knowing her. She became a very close friend. She was always there for me when I needed her help with prayers at our Relief Society meetings at the Care Center. She added so much to those meetings. I had the joy of taking her to a wedding in Colorado city and the time to visit with her was priceless. Another time she wanted to see Angel's Landing, so I took her to Zion NP. We also went through the tunnels which I was informed she did not want to go through again, so that trip ended up going to Kanab and back (to save going back through Zion). We did see the buffalos though. While traveling she asked if we were near Kanab, upon my replying yes, she told me the story of her wedding. I love the time she gave to me and the stories she shared. I will treasure the friendship we had and look forward to seeing her again. God bless you all at this time with comfort and strength. Sincerely, Nancy Shahan Hafen.

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**Nancy Shahan** - January 27, 2018 at 01:10 AM

 Debi Groves

“ I feel privileged to have met Lorna and been able to display some of her artwork in my store, Chez Debi. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Lorna was a beautiful soul.

*Debi Groves*

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**Debi Groves** - January 26, 2018 at 02:32 PM

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“ I worked at the Hurricane Rehab center where she lived the last four years and I have never met anyone so determined to live life fully as she did. Even with all of her afflictions, which were many, she was a fighter and a huge inspiration to those she came in contact with. I love her and I'm so excited for her new adventure that awaits with all that energy she has and the freedom to do so without pain and suffering.

*Kathy Campos*

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**Kathy** - January 25, 2018 at 09:52 AM