



Nancy Mae Rutherford Hopkins

January 3, 1934 - May 21, 2022

Our loving mother, Nancy Mae Rutherford Hopkins, age 88, peacefully left this mortal existence on Saturday, May 21, 2022 in St. George, Utah. She was born January 3, 1934 in Junction City, Trinity County, California and was the only child between Dorothy Irene Fincher and Walter Andrew Rutherford Jr.

Nancy was raised in Junction City, Redding, Clovis and Fresno, California. She has one half-brother and five half-sisters. She attended Clovis High School where she met Reuel Doran Hopkins. They were in band class together. She played the saxophone and he played the trumpet. They married in Gardnerville, Nevada April 1, 1951. In 1955, they settled in West Covina, California where they bought their first home and raised their four daughters.

Nancy was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on October 4, 1958 in Pasadena, California. She has a firm testimony of our Savior Jesus Christ and strived to live His Gospel every day of her life. She and Reuel were sealed in the Los Angeles Temple on February 9, 1963.

Nancy obtained her high school certificate a few years after having her daughters. She was a stay at home mom until she became a public school bus driver for Covina Valley Unified School District for 21 years. In 1991, after retirement, she and Reuel moved to Hurricane, Utah where they spent years growing apricots and peaches. Over the years, she delighted in spending time

with her many friends whom she loved dearly.

Nancy enjoyed sewing, quilting, crocheting, making hairpin lace, jewelry making, playing softball, camping, backpacking, visiting the beach and mountains and had a great love of reading. She was an incredible cook. She enjoyed traveling and her favorite trips included a Church history tour and an Alaskan cruise. She loved studying the scriptures, church history and was also fond of studying U.S. history. She volunteered as a Brownie and Girl Scout leader. Nancy served in many callings in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was a dedicated Guide Patrol leader for the Primary boys and a girls camp leader for many years in Young Women. She excelled in teaching useful skills such as first aid; knot tying; plant collection, identification and use; building camp fires and orienteering. She was a Relief Society president at a young age, served in the Young Women organization on a ward and stake level for many years, and was called as a temple ordinance worker in the St. George Temple with Reuel. Her life was about loving and ministering to others.

Nancy is survived by her husband Reuel; daughters Carol Ann Rashall (Richard), Connie Allene Hopkins, Kathleen Sue Cheshire (Lynden); grandchildren Armando, Kurt, Teresa, Luke, Derek, Haylee, Marcy, Becky, Stacy, Ashley, Jon, Aaron and Scott; 36 great grandchildren; 1 great-great granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her oldest daughter Lynn Jean Hopkins Davis.

A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the Hurricane City Cemetery, 225 East 600 North, Hurricane, Utah. Following the graveside service, all in attendance are invited to celebrate her life during a luncheon at the Hurricane Stake Center, 677 South 700 West, Hurricane,

Utah.

Cemetery Details

Hurricane City Cemetery

200 E. 600 N.
Hurricane, UT 84737

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 27. 1:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

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