



Ruth Ann Plumb

March 19, 1950 - October 10, 2021

Ruth Ann Hoff Plumb, passed away peacefully on October 10, 2021, in her home in Washington, UT. She was born March 19, 1950, in Bloomington, IL to La Nora Hood Bingham and Floyd Robert Bingham. She was later adopted by Barbara Ashby Bingham after Barbara's marriage to Floyd. She was married to Cary Michael Hoff for time and all eternity in the St. George, Utah temple on Sept 1, 1971. Ten years after Mike's passing she met and married Nathan Riley Plumb in the St. George, Utah temple on March 16, 2005.

Ruth's strength to overcome any obstacle or trial began at an early age. Only a year into her life, her mother La Nora passed away. Shortly after her mother's passing she relocated with her father and older brother Robert to Floyd's hometown of Vernal, Utah. In Vernal, Floyd married Barbara Ashby who quickly assumed the role of Ruth's mother. As the family grew with the birth of three more brothers they moved to the town of Cedar City. Ruth then lived in Cedar City until she got married. Shortly after the move to Cedar City, Floyd fell ill and passed away leaving the 7 year old Ruth to be raised by a single parent. Barbara Bingham is the rock that provided the love and strength that got Ruth through these tragic life events and helped shape her into the Elect Lady she became.

Ruth had a wonderful childhood. She spoke fondly of all the adventures with her brothers, friends and mentors during her years in Cedar City. Stories

shared from her childhood show that her deep spiritual convictions and love for her family began during this time. She also spoke fondly of the summers she spent as a teenager with the Hood side of her family in Illinois. During these visits she gained very special relationships with her Grandmother Lily Hood and her cousins.

After she graduated from Cedar High she continued her education at Southern Utah University where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Education. Teaching children was one of her true loves. While raising her children she taught piano and pre-school music classes. Later she made teaching a career. Even until her last days she used the skills that she had gained to help nurture and teach grandkids, neighbors, or any child who stood in need of a little extra help.

Mike was her high school sweetheart. She waited for him while he served a mission in Denmark for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. It wasn't long after his return home that they got married. Mike joined the Marine Corps, and this began a pattern of living in many different cities throughout their marriage. Three children had been added to the family when Ruth received her diagnosis of Lymphangiomatosis. The effects of this rare disease continued to flare up the rest of her life. This disease could not keep her down, she overcame many physical and emotional obstacles that were a result of this disease. When Mike was finished with his service in the Marine Corps, they moved to Utah and added a fourth child to the family.

Ruth was able to stay at home and take care of her children. Music was instrumental in her life and she shared this love with her children. She was always looking for ways for her children to be exposed to music. Piano, singing, band, and orchestra were just a start. Her dream was to have her own family perform like the Von Trapp Family singers.

Mike's employment took the family to Ridgecrest, CA. At this time Ruth had the opportunity to begin teaching in the elementary schools as a music specialist. Going from class to class singing, dancing, and working with children everyday was truly her dream job. This job provided opportunities for additional education credits and experience that helped prepare her for working full time after Mike's passing in 1995.

After Mike's passing Ruth returned to her Southern Utah roots and settled in St. George. This allowed her to be near her mother Barbara, and both of them enjoyed the extra time together. As her lungs continued to deteriorate from the effects of her disease, it became necessary to be on oxygen full time. She was not going to let this stop her from doing the things she loved. Her students were used to seeing her dancing and singing with an oxygen tank on her back. Nathan Plumb entered her life when she was still teaching. He was retired and spent just as many hours at the school as she did. With his extra help she was able to teach a few more years even though her health was declining. Together they shared a love for music, teaching, and travel. During their 9 years together they traveled all across the United States visiting friends and family. After she was no longer able to work at the school, she and Nathan were able to serve a two year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in San Antonio Texas.

After Nathan's passing she became more and more dependent on life saving breathing machines. Eventually she was placed on a non-invasive Ventilator which she used 90% of the time for many years. Her last few weeks were spent more heavily dependent upon that machine. We are so grateful for the technological advances that allowed her to continue to do the things she loved.

Family was her number one focus, whether that family was living, or those

who had passed on before. She lived a life full of serving others: Even in her last days she put everyone else's needs before her own. She is an example to all of us of one who always showed Christlike love to others. We hope to follow her example of love, service, and a deep testimony of her Savior Jesus Christ.

She is survived by: mother, Barbara Bingham; children, Michael Cade Hoff (Becca), Carrie Ann Baclayon (Jason), Nathan Floyd Hoff (Stephanie), Laurie Mae Rigby (Jan); 15 grandchildren; siblings, Ralph Bingham (Pam), Elton Bingham (Becky), Johnny Bingham; and family of Nathan Plumb.

She was preceded in death by: husband, Cary Michael Hoff; husband, Nathan Riley Plumb; mother, La Nora Bingham; father, Floyd Robert Bingham; brother, Floyd Robert Bingham Jr; grandchildren, Tanner Hoff and Sierra Baclayon.

The family would like to thank Lincare, Dr. Jones, Dr. Scholand, Dr. Saiffee and all the other clinicians and healthcare providers for all their efforts. We especially thank Dr. Scholand, for all her compassion and dedication to fighting this disease with our mom. We thank all of the friends and family who have taken time out of their travels to visit, as well as all the texts, and phone calls, and shared memories we have been receiving.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donating to the Lymphangiomatosis foundation. <https://secure.givelively.org/donate/lymphangiomatosis-gorhams-disease-alliance-inc>

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, October 16, 2021, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints chapel located at 446 E Mangum Rd, Washington, UT. Visitation will begin at 9:00. Services will begin at 10:00. Interment will be held at the Cedar City Cemetery in Cedar City, UT at approximately 12:30 PM.

The 10:00 AM service can be streamed online at <https://zoom.us/j/96986979099?pwd=R0IPL1I4WTBaVkFWa3IOS2VNWjQzdz09>

Cemetery Details

Cedar City Cemetery

685 N. Main Street
Cedar City, UT

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Washington 8th Ward Chapel
446 Mangum Road
Washington, UT 84780

Burial

OCT **16**. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

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685 N. Main Street
Cedar City, UT

Tribute Wall



“ *Marcie and Bill Nicholson purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of Ruth Ann Plumb.*



Marcie and Bill Nicholson - October 15, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Plumb.*



October 14, 2021 at 07:31 PM