



Obituary

Marva Jean (Bird) Allman

Our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister Marva Jean (Bird) Allman passed into the loving embrace of her Heavenly Father on June 6 after succumbing to biliary cancer.

Marva was born at home on August 8, 1940 in St. Anthony, Idaho, the daughter of Elbert Owen Bird and Ella Vernonna (Christensen) Bird.

She is preceded in death by both parents, and her older brother Vernon Kay (and Jean) Bird of Salt Lake City.

She leaves behind her husband of 36 years and eternal companion Gordon Walter Allman; her daughter Terri (and Dale) Baker of Smithfield, Utah; step-daughter Khrist (and Ron) Rojas of Athol, Idaho; grandchildren Cassie Baker, Sierra and Justin Stonecipher, Katheryn and Casey Smith of Logan, Rayna Baker, Ron Rojas, Tapanga Rojas, and Jeff and Tyler Fisher; and great-grandson Auden Fisher. She also leaves behind her older brother Richard (and Marion) Bird; and younger brothers Michael (and Verla) Bird and Steven (and Joy) Bird, all of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Marva graduated from BYU in 1962 with a Bachelor's degree in Drama and a minor in English. She taught High School Drama and English at Fontana High School in Fontana from 1962 to 1997. She touched the lives of many young people through her teaching career, and maintained lifelong friendships with many of them. She moved to Smithfield, Utah to be closer to family in June of 2004, and she and Gordon split their time between their home in Smithfield, Utah and their home in Island Park, Idaho.

A viewing will be held on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Smithfield 17th Ward Chapel at 345 E. 300 S. in Smithfield, and from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Saturday. Services will be held at the same location at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday. Burial will be at 5 p.m. at the Teton Newdale Cemetery outside of Sugar City, Idaho.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the LDS Missionary fund or to the Marva Allman Memorial Scholarship fund, details to follow on her Facebook page. Condolences and memories may be shared online at Nelson Funeral Home.