



Carolyn Reinbold

April 28, 1928 - February 21, 2015

Ivins, Utah – Carolyn returned to her Heavenly Home on February 21, 2015. She was born April 28, 1928 in Herrin, Illinois to Homer G. Reinbold and Mary Eva Hopkins. She spent her childhood and grew up in Herrin. She started taking violin lessons at the age of five and was very active in musical events throughout her life. She also played her flute and piccolo in the concert and marching bands. She attended Southern Illinois University on a Music Scholarship with her violin. She graduated from SIU with honors and joined the US Army to study Physical Therapy. While in Physical Therapy School, she also took flying lessons and got her private pilot's license. She became a Registered Physical Therapist in 1952. She spent two years in the U.S. Army and twenty years in the US Air Force as a Physical Therapist (except for two years when she was a member of the US Air Force Pistol Team; the only woman ever assigned to that team). She retired from the Military July 1, 1972, as a Lieutenant Colonel, and moved to her home in Bloomington, Utah that same day. She lived in several places in the continental United States, in Alaska, Germany and the Philippines. She traveled extensively on all seven continents and in some seventy countries. Carolyn was a convert, joining The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1965, and was an active member serving as a teacher in the Sunday School and Relief Society, as the Relief Society Secretary – Treasurer and Visiting Teacher, Temple Ordinance Worker, Supervisor in Data Entry and Patriarch Transcriber. She liked to take the girls to camp in the summertime where she taught them archery. She was

an avid genealogist. Carolyn was a nature lover, appreciating and enjoying all of Heavenly Father's creations. She never married. Her beloved pets were her "children". She had "adopted" three sons (Korean, Mexican and American) and a daughter and three granddaughters (Korean, Chinese and Mexican). Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, brother Grover, and niece Kimberly. She is survived by two nieces: Cynthia Ann Blackledge of Morehead, KY, Mary Elizabeth Schepman of San Jose, CA, and one nephew: Stewart G. Reinbold of North Bend, WA. Carolyn wanted to thank everyone who helped make her life the full, rich, exciting life it was. There are copies of her autobiography "Life Is What You Make It" in libraries in Herrin, Illinois; Southern Illinois University; Dixie State University; and Washington County Utah Library. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2015 at the Metcalf Mortuary Chapel, 288 W. St. George Blvd., St. George, Utah. A visitation will be held prior to services from 1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. at Metcalf Mortuary. Carolyn will be laid to rest at the Elmwood Cemetery in Centralia, Illinois with her parents, grandparents and other family members.

Tribute Wall

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“Carolyn was a great friend and an example to our family during the time we lived in Bloomington. We send sympathy to her family.”

Mary Jo O - March 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM