

Marilyn 'Lyn' Hazelbaker, 79

Marilyn "Lyn" Hazelbaker, age 79, passed away peacefully in Reno, Nev., on Sept. 6, 2005 in the home of her daughter Penny.

A year of dementia finally did what no one or nothing else could do — slowed her down and overcame her. Free of earth's limitations, we are sure she and Don are once again fully engaged lovingly and tirelessly serving others on the other side.

Born Jan. 19, 1926 in Los Angeles, Calif., to Harold Mattoon and Maebelle



Rowlands, Lynn was an only child that loved socializing with others. She met Don at UCLA during her sorority's party for fledgling weatherman in the service. Five months later an Idaho farm boy, second of seven, and an only child from fashionable L.A. were married in Colorado Springs on Halloween in 1944.

The world has been the better ever since for any who have know them.

Don and Lynn's lives were inseparable and so intertwined as to not be able to know one without knowing the other. Their great passions in life have always been each other, their children, their faith and the outdoors.

They joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day

Saints in Coeur d'Alene in 1951 and became known as stalwarts throughout the Idaho panhandle and Creston, B.C. because of selfless devotion to others, particularly the youth and Scouting.

Lynn helped Don home-
stead five different times. Each time building their home by themselves and taming the acreage around them to help their children develop important life skills. They lived in Bonners Ferry from 1958 until 1987. Upon the untimely accidental death of Don in 1985, Lynn served a mission to Nashville and then desired to live with her various children throughout the country to nurture the family's legacy of family values. This took her to Iowa, North Carolina, Seattle,

Sacramento and Reno.

Don and Lynn have four children: Ken, 59, a civil engineer in Sacramento, Calif., Tim, 48, an architect in Atlanta, Ga., Penny (Stoddard), 51, a family life counselor in Reno — moving to Haines, Alaska, and Molly (Smith), 42, purchasing agent for Home Depot's garden centers in Bothel, Wash. In addition, there are 14 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

After a family graveside service at Grandview Cemetery, a brief memorial service will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the LDS chapel followed immediately by a buffet dinner and reminiscing with the four children and any friends who would care to participate.

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