



Betty Lee Christensen

July 31, 1925 - November 14, 2019

Betty Lee Christensen, 94 passed away November 14th with her two children and husband at her side. She was born July 31st, 1925 in Chappell Nebraska to her parents Charles and Edna Munson. She grew up on a farm in Western Nebraska, the fourth of five siblings. Mom was part of the Greatest Generation, living through the Depression, World War Two and all the challenges brought by those events. She was devoted to Family. Always there for us and ready to do whatever she could to give us a loving spiritually filled home.

In 1944, Mom married her high school sweetheart, Chris Darwin Christensen. Dar had joined the War effort in 1943 and entered Flight Training to become a Navy pilot. Mom and Dad were stationed in many Navy training bases including Iowa, Colorado, Texas and Florida, where Dad served as a Pilot Instructor during the War. After discharge from the Navy after the War, they moved back to Nebraska. They settled in Bridgeport, also located in Western Nebraska, where Dar began working for the State of Nebraska. While in Bridgeport she raised two children and maintained a wonderful home. In 1963, Dar obtained new employment with the Federal Geological Survey. The job would take the family to Eureka California for two years before transferring to Visalia in 1965 where they have lived since.

Mom continued to provide us with a wonderful spiritual home and we are

forever grateful for her unconditional love and great example she has set. Children were dear to her heart and she would volunteer to be Gramma to Pre-school classes and at church. She loved her grandchildren and served as on call babysitter to all of them. Mom had many talents and endeavors that she excelled in, including being a crafty card player. She was an excellent seamstress and made many dresses and clothing for her granddaughters. There are also multiple shawls, blankets and quilts out there that she produced for her children and grandchildren. Mom was a family historian, extraordinaire, who researched our family tree by visiting courthouses and cemeteries around the country. She learned to use a computer and used Genealogy software to digitally store her research. Mom also wrote numerous stories of our ancestors and saved them on her computer using word processing software. Another gift she has given us.

Betty was preceded in passing by her daughter Christine, parents Charles and Edna Munson, her brothers Dale Munson and Wayne Munson and her sister Lois Christensen. She is survived by her husband Chris Darwin Christensen, son Curtis Christensen and wife Mary, daughter Susan Chase and husband Dan and her brother Lanny Munson. She is also survived by six grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild as well as many nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service will be held 9AM, Thursday, November 21st, at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel in Visalia.

To support Mom's concern and love for children and her compassion for those in need, Memorial Donations can be made in her name to Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Tree www.Samaritanspurse.org/memorial-page/betty-l-christensen-visalia-ca <<http://www.Samaritanspurse.org/memorial-page/betty-l-christensen-visalia-ca>> , or Visalia Rescue Mission www.vrmhope.org <<http://www.vrmhope.org>>

Previous Events

Funeral

NOV 21. 9:00 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Graveside

NOV 21. 10:00 AM (PT)

Exeter District Cemetery
719 E. Marinette Ave.
Exeter, CA 93221

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Betty Lee Christensen*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - November 21, 2019 at 11:56 AM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Lee Christensen*



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JV

“ Susie I'm so very sorry about the loss of your mom, and wish I could have been with you at her Service.. Even though I haven't seen your mom in SO many years, I have such fond memories of spending time at your house, hanging-out and talking to your mom--even after you and Danny moved to Arizona- we both missed you terribly. She was always so fun, kind and easy to talk to--she was such a lovely person.

I remember your parents taking us down to Bakersfield so we could visit Mrs. ?? (our old cheer-leading advisor)--they were just so easy to be around.

Your obituary was really a lovely tribute to your mom--I learned so much about her that I never knew...or hadn't remembered! I pray your treasured memories of your mom give you, Danny, and all your family much comfort and peace. Love, Jody Vollmer

Jody Vollmer - November 25, 2019 at 04:21 AM

HM

“ I'll never forget when Aunt Betty would come visit her sister, my grandmother Lois, and what a wonderful time we always had. I'd never seen my grandma laugh harder than when she and Aunt Betty got together. I'll always remember Aunt Betty's joyful and kind spirit.

Hayley Miller - November 19, 2019 at 06:03 PM

KF

“ Byron and I cannot make it to the service on Thursday morning unfortunately because we have a conflict. So I just wanted to say we appreciated and loved your mom. What a sweetie. We will make a donation to the rescue mission soon. She will always be special to us because she helped us choose my wedding ring! She was special in many ways. Such a godly Christ like woman.
Condolences, the Foxes

Kelly Fox - November 19, 2019 at 01:02 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Mom



curtis - November 19, 2019 at 12:50 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Lee Christensen.



November 18, 2019 at 07:32 AM

CC

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Curtis Christensen - November 17, 2019 at 12:02 AM

CU

She loved us and we loved her.

Curtis - November 18, 2019 at 11:13 PM