



Beverly Joan Atkinson

July 25, 1936 - May 23, 2024

Beverly Atkinson (Rose) passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by her children, on May 23rd, 2024, at the age of 87.

She was born in Maywood, California on July 25, 1936, to Frank and Marvel Rose. She later relocated to Hanford and then Visalia, where she remained for the rest of her life. Beverly graduated from Hanford High School in 1954. A beloved mother, she enjoyed raising her kids and watching their softball, baseball and football games. Later in life, she met the love of her life, Don Atkinson, and they married in September 1986.

Known for her caring nature, Beverly loved to serve and give back to her community. She was a Lions Club member from 2006 to 2023. Beverly served as president for one term and held many other offices. She received a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, one of the highest honors in the organization, for her Cinderella's Closet initiative providing dresses for young women going to prom. Beverly had a love for sewing and made baby blankets and outfits for her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved doing arts and crafts with her grandchildren and was known for her paint splattered sweatshirts. An avid gardener, Beverly was often found outside, tending to her garden, which is something she never slowed down on doing.

Beverly always had a smile on her face, and was known for her laugh that

filled up any room that she was in. She had a close-knit group of girlfriends that she loved spending time with. Known as Grandma A to many, her home was the heart of her family, and she loved having her family and friends gather together for dinners and parties. She loved going on trips to the coast, and was known for her dozens of "last" trips to Vegas with her girls, a notable time being a bucket list surprise trip from her family to see Garth Brooks.

She is survived by her children David Russell, Candyce (Arnie) Van Berkel, Janie (Tom) Graham, Trish (Mario) Krstic, stepdaughter Pam (Doug) DeGeer, her brother Jim (Sharon) Rose, and 11 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her loving husband Don Atkinson, son Scott Russell, and brothers Jerry, Don, and Richard Rose.

Her Celebration of Life will be held at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia on June 28, 2024, at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make donations to Seva Hospice or your favorite charity. Her family would like to give thanks to Seva Hospice staff for their care.

To all of her grandchildren and great grandchildren, Grandma A loves you back.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Memorial

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Beverly Joan Atkinson*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - June 25, 2024 at 06:12 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Beverly Joan Atkinson*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - June 25, 2024 at 11:29 AM



“ *Visalia First Assembly planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Beverly Joan Atkinson.*

Visalia First Assembly - June 20, 2024 at 12:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Beverly Joan Atkinson.*



June 20, 2024 at 12:49 PM



“ *Mom this has been the most difficult time letting you go, I know you were in so much pain but what I would give to be able to hold you, kiss you and tell you how much I loved you. You were the best, as I wait for that phone call from you hi whatcha doing today, I need to go to grocery store, Costco and Lowe's but it will only take me a minute, we'll 4 hours later we would get home. But I would do that for you again and not complain to much this time. To see your smile and hear you laugh or hold your hand, I never realized how bad I would miss them even though I knew you were ready, but we weren't. I have a hole in my heart and the aching in my gut from missing you. As we begin this new journey without you I pray that someday I will have comfort in knowing your up there with Scott and Don and no more pain, but that is just not now I love you more and until we can hold each other again Janie*



Janie Graham - June 08, 2024 at 02:59 PM

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Trish Krstic - June 07, 2024 at 06:00 PM