



Jacquelyn Cardon

May 7, 1937 - April 27, 2021

Jackie Lee Cardon was born in Los Angeles, California, on May 7, 1937; and her parents – Frances Lee and George V – named her Jacquelyn Lee Kozak. When she was a year and a half old, she received a gift from heaven, a baby sister named Patricia Lou. The two girls – Jackie and Patti – were tried and true friends all their lives to this day when they are now in their 80's.

When Jackie was 5 years old, her family moved to Youngstown, Ohio, to be near the extended family during world War II years. Nine years later, Jackie's family moved back to California and settled in the brand-new city of Lakewood. Jackie worked at May company in the Mall during her teen years and later at the California School Board. In high school she was a happy member of the Bruinettes, a girls' drill team that traveled with the football team all around the state of California and danced to the music of the Woodrow Wilson high school band.

At the age of 18, a life-changing experience happened. Jackie was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints ... and that has made all the difference! Life as a Latter-day saint gave her sacred goals to aim for. She attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, served as a sister-missionary in the California Mission, met the love of her life and married Charles "Dick" Cardon in the Los Angeles Temple, and became the mother of 7 handsome sons – David, Robert, George, Bryan, Jeffrey, Craig, and Jason – and 4 beautiful daughters – Ann, Caryn, Bonnie, and Mary Beth. At a young age Jackie was impressed by the original movie "Cheaper by the Dozen" and she dreamed of having 12 children someday.

It took 20 years for Jackie and Dick to have 11 children, but only 5 years to receive 11 grandchildren (grandies). Their grandchildren now number 69 and their "greats" now number 46, soon to be 51.

During their 50's Jackie's husband was called by President Gordon B. Hinckley to serve as the mission president of the El Salvador [San Salvador] East Mission and Jackie was

called to be his companion for 3 years – 1996-1999. In 2002, they were called to serve again in the Guatemala Mission to begin the Perpetual education fund in Central America. That mission ended abruptly when an accident occurred and injured Dick's left eye. They came home to get medical help for Dick's eye and returned to finish that CES mission in Flagstaff, Arizona, at the Institute of Religion. In 2006-2008, Dick was called to serve as a counselor to the Paraguay Temple President, George. Jackie served as an assistant to the Temple Matron. Their only stateside mission, 2011-2013, was in San Jose, California, where they served in all the Spanish Wards and branches, teaching family history and taking groups to the Oakland temple to do baptisms for their ancestors. Finally, they fulfilled a "mini mission" in the Quetzaltenango Guatemala Temple, 2014, under the first temple President Israel Perez, who is a close friend. We lived on the Temple grounds and served every day in the Temple. A very spiritual way to complete their mission days.

Jackie's grateful, happy spirit departed her mortal body during her sleep on April 27, 2021. A viewing for family and friends will be held at the Utah Valley Mortuary on Friday, May 7, 2021 located at 1966 West 700 North, Lindon, UT 84042 starting at 10:00 am and ending at 12:00 noon. A short graveside service will then be held at the Pleasant Grove City Cemetery located at 500 North 100 West, Pleasant Grove, UT 84062 starting around 12:30 pm.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary

Cemetery

Pleasant Grove City Cemetery

600 North 100 West
Pleasant Grove, UT, 84062

Events

MAY **Viewing** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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MAY **Graveside Service** 12:30PM

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Pleasant Grove City Cemetery
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Comments



“ She was my surrogate mother while on my mission. I literally shared in a sunday school lesson yesterday about how she "mothered" me as a missionary and blessed my life. My appendix ruptured and I ended up in the hospital in a 3rd world country after an emergency surgery. She talked with my parents and asked what she could do to help. My mom asked her to give me a hug and to let me know she loved me. 20 + years later, I still remember that embrace and how comforting it was to me at that time. I spent a few weeks in the mission home recovering from the surgery and she spoiled me rotten. :) I spent late nights around the kitchen table talking about life and the gospel with both her and President Cardon, usually with an ice cream sundae she made for us. Then I had several opportunities to be her translator later on at various meetings. She would call me up, throw an arm around me and pull me close to her hip and testify such beautiful truths. Then as I translated she would just smile at me. Loved her so much and am sorry for your loss. I know the two of them are happy to be together again and I look forward to getting another hug from them both when we meet again.

Stephen Hunt

Stephen Hunt - May 11, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ Jackie is a woman of simple faith and purest love. I was blessed in each of our conversations as she taught me much! To the family, I'm very sorry to have missed her service. But I have an abiding love for each of you and your entire family. She must have had a most joyous reunion - and now gets to carry on with Dick in a glorious reward!! All my love. Ron Hawkins

Ron Hawkins - May 07, 2021 at 07:03 PM



“ Cardon's- thank you for being me next door neighbors. I am so sorry to hear of your moms passing. She always invited me to stay and eat dinner and cookies that she made. I have fond memories of her singing in the kitchen when I'd come over and visit. She will always have a special place in my heart- David Young

Nalani Young - May 06, 2021 at 10:17 PM



“ Dear Cardon Family, I am sorry to hear of your mother's passing. It doesn't seem like very long since Dick passed. I pray the Lord to be with all of you through this sad time. Your mom was a special lady. I am the wife of your father's cousin, Glen Palmer, and we had fun visits together, especially while in our early years of teaching at BYU. Your grandma, Aunt Mary, and my mother-in-law, Evelyn Johnson Palmer, were sisters.

Sincerely,
Karol Palmer

Karol L Palmer - May 04, 2021 at 09:37 PM



“ Jackie was a blessing in my life. I met her many years ago in Santa Ana California. Dick and Jackie welcomed us and we spent time with their family enjoying their fellowship and teaching. She was an Angel I will never forget! My love to all of you beautiful children and your families.

With Love,
Gloria J. Leshner

Gloria J. Leshner - May 07, 2021 at 09:37 PM