



## Louise Southworth

December 2, 1931 - July 3, 2015

Louise Elnora Hansen Southworth passed away July 3, 2015 in her Provo home at the age of 83 after battling a long illness of Multiple Sclerosis and congestive heart failure. Grant, lovingly and tenderly, cared for Louise during her illness these past several years. Louise married Grant LeRoy Southworth May 16, 1998 in the Manti Temple and dearly loved and respected him.

Louise was born December 2, 1931 in the humble, loving home of her parents in Monroe, Utah. She grew up in a family that loved, cared and looked after each other. Louise's parents, brothers & sisters and nieces & nephews were dear to her as she was to them. She treasured her family and her heritage.

Louise was a stalwart, noble daughter of her Heavenly Father. She valued and honored the testimony she gained as a child from righteous parents. She faithfully fulfilled many church callings including Primary President, Sunday School teacher, teacher trainer, chorister and visiting teacher. She said "I know who I am. I am a daughter of Heavenly Father."

Louise's lifetime accomplishments can add credence to an old adage that "Great things can come from small towns." It's true in Utah, anyway. Her contribution to society is illustrated by her 36 years as an educator at Parkside Elementary School in Murray, Utah. She said "I loved teaching. [I] really loved the kids." She loved the children and thought of them as her own.

Louise was honored as "Teacher of the Year" and for having the fewest absences, a significant accomplishment considering she had MS for half of her 36 years teaching. She was also recognized and honored for her work in creating and producing a Patriotic Program for her class and then her school which included all the children in her class. This program was documented on video. Many parents expressed their appreciation to her for her influence on their children.

Louise was blessed with a wonderful voice and enjoyed singing with the Oratorio Society of Utah and The Jay Welch Chorale where she performed "Handel's Messiah" at Christmas time in the Mormon Tabernacle. She was also asked to sing in Sacrament Meetings and at family and other events. Her family enjoyed singing with her as she played the guitar or piano.

Louise, indeed, had the gift of charity. While teaching in Salt Lake City, most weekends she would make the 200 mile trip to Monroe, Utah to be with her aging parents while they were living.

Louise is preceded in death by her parents John Albert and Caroline Miller Hansen; her brothers John Ellis Hansen, Albert Roland (Elva) Hansen, Melvin Miller (Nona) Hansen and Joseph Ward Hansen; her sisters, Agnes Hansen Holgate (William), Hannah Hansen Gay (Dee) and Leah Hansen Stevens (Lyle) and sister-in-law Patricia Cole Hansen (Evan). She is survived by her husband Grant LeRoy Southworth, her brother Evan Wilford Hansen (Glenna) and her sister Carol Genevieve Hansen Baker (Kay).

Funeral services will be held in the Edgemont Stake Center, 303 West 3700 North, Provo, Utah, on Saturday, July 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. Viewing will be Saturday morning from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m. at the Edgemont Stake Center.

There will be a graveside service in the Monroe, Utah cemetery at 5:00 p.m. Interment will be in the Monroe, Utah city cemetery.

Your presence at her funeral service is welcome and would be greatly appreciated by the family.

# Cemetery

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## Monroe City Cemetery

Monroe, UT,

# Events

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**JUL** **Viewing** 09:00AM - 10:45PM

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Edgemont Stake Center

303 West 3700 North, Provo, UT, US

**JUL** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Edgemont Stake Center

303 West 3700 North, Provo, UT, US

# Comments

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“ My dear Aunt Louise always had a beautiful smile on her lovely face. She had the ability too see the beauty that surrounded her, and she radiated sweetness to all of those who knew her. Aunt Louise enjoyed spreading her love and positive energy to all that came in contact with her. Even though she had her physical challenges in life, you would never know because her spiritual strength far surpassed any earthly obstacles that may have tried to deter her. You are loved and missed dearly, my sweet Aunt Louise! Hugs and kisses! Your amazing life has touched us all! Peace, Love, and Light are Eternally Yours! LOVE, LOVE, LOVE, Trudy Stevens

**Trudy Stevens** - July 26, 2015 at 02:29 PM

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“ Trudy Stevens lit a candle in memory of Louise Southworth



**Trudy Stevens** - July 26, 2015 at 02:11 PM

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“ Aunt Louise was a genuine, sweet spirit, with a heart of gold & a true love of music. Wherever Aunt Louise was, a guitar and singing was soon to follow. With a constant smile on her face, and always a word of praise or encouragement, you couldn't help but smile back and feel uplifted in her presence. Louise you will be sorely missed!! I hope you know how much you were loved. Love always & forever, Jodi (Stevens) Dunn

**Jodi** - July 13, 2015 at 05:15 PM

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“ Louise was a super sweet lady who had the gift of making everyone she met feel special. She was genuinely interested in getting to know me as a person. She was full of life and caring. She had so many interesting life experiences to share. She will be greatly missed! Rebecca W.

**Rebecca White** - July 11, 2015 at 06:03 PM

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“ Sharleen Hansen lit a candle in memory of Louise Southworth



**Sharleen Hansen** - July 11, 2015 at 06:15 AM



“ Louise was a great friend as well as aunt to me. She was so much fun to be around and she was always interested in hearing about you and your life. She loved all her family and always tried to build everyone up and make them feel good about themselves. I will miss her so much.

**Sharleen Hansen** - July 11, 2015 at 06:18 AM

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“ Carolyn Campbel lit a candle in memory of Louise Southworth



**Carolyn Campbel** - July 10, 2015 at 09:49 AM



“ My sweet Aunt Louise lived with us for 10 years and I considered her more of a sister than Aunt. She was so fun to have around. She so diligently worked her way thru college and then help from her sister she was able to finish sooner. She desired so to be a teacher and what an excellent teacher she was. Truly caring about her students , family and people in general. She would love to give us all "warm fuzzier" as she would call them. Trying to give positive words to anybody she contacted. What a true compassionate, loving, giving, happy, energetic, talented ,and much more, women. Came from humble beginnings and grew to greatness. Louise I love you and will miss you dearly but my fond memories of your life will sustain me. Love you,  
Carolyn Stevens Campbel

**Carolyn Campbel** - July 10, 2015 at 09:57 AM

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“ Halvor Olsen lit a candle in memory of Louise Southworth



**Halvor Olsen** - July 09, 2015 at 04:23 PM

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“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of my sweet friend, Louise. I taught with Louise at Parkside for quite a few years. She was a delightful and generous co-worker and a true friend. We laughed together, had many conversations about all sorts of things, and shared a love of the Jackson Hole area, the Tetons, and Yellowstone. She welcomed me to Parkside with her beautiful smile and her warm and caring ways. She was an excellent educator and has left an impact for good on more students, parents, co-workers, and staff, than we can ever imagine. Here's to you, dear friend. Sleep well till we meet again. My love always, Lynne Gabrielson

Lynne Gabrielson - July 09, 2015 at 04:21 PM