



## Marilyn D Mooney

August 31, 1928 - November 26, 2018

Marilyn Dunford Mooney passed away November 26, 2018 after a life full of love and service.

She was born August 31, 1928 in Provo, Utah to Judge William Stanley Dunford and Zina Patterson.

She attended elementary and secondary school in Provo and graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in Education.

Marilyn married her high school sweetheart Norman Mooney on her birthday, August 31, 1948 in the Salt Lake Temple. Together they lived, worked, played and raised their six children. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1998, a couple of years before Norman passed away.

Marilyn taught kindergarten in the Provo School District for 32 years. A child once drew a picture of her and labeled it: "This is Mrs. Mooney and she loves kids." She had a reverence for the sanctity of a child's mind.

Marilyn was a member of the Orchard First Ward and served in many positions. She loved being nursery music leader the best. She cherished that calling and cried when she was released.

Marilyn took hundreds of pictures of family festivities and scrapbooked every event. She enjoyed the game Scrabble but was notoriously competitive. Her home was always decorated for each holiday with a multitude of art she and Norman crafted.

Marilyn was an avid reader, sometimes reading multiple books simultaneously. Her love of books was passed on to her family and a book club was organized with her sisters, daughters, granddaughters and friends.

Marilyn and her sisters visited every day at their "Pepsi Party" where they brought each

other up to date on current events and family happenings. Her tradition of "Tuesday Lunch" where Sunday dinner leftovers were served was regularly attended by her sisters, children, nieces, grandchildren and grandnieces. Marilyn hosted a party on most holidays. Her Fourth of July party always had more than 70 family members attending. This year's Fourth of July party was attended by 96. Marilyn loved America and was passionately patriotic.

She will be missed. Marilyn has left us a great legacy. Because she lived her life in righteousness, we look to her to be our guardian angel.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband Norman Mooney, her parents William and Zina Dunford and her brothers: Bill, Dean and Paul. She is survived by her two dearly devoted sisters, Diane Dunford Glasgow and Carol Dunford Jackman, her six children, Mary Lynn (Greg) Lewis, Shauna (Michael) Kawasaki, Patrice (Ken) Parker, Brent (Jayne) Mooney, Melissa (Steve) Jones, Dr. Todd (VaLynda) Mooney, 29 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, November 30, 2018 at 11:00 am at the Orchard First Ward, 670 East 800 North, Orem, Utah, where a Viewing will be held Thursday, November 29th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and prior to services on Friday from 10:00 to 10:45 am. Burial will be in the Orem City Cemetery.

Thanks to Elevation Home Health and Hospice for attentive care and support these last few weeks.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

# Cemetery

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## Orem City Cemetery

1520 North 800 East  
Orem, UT, 84097

# Events

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**NOV 29** **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Orchard 1st Ward  
670 East 800 North, Orem, UT, US, 84097

**NOV 30** **Viewing** 10:00AM - 10:45AM

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**NOV 30** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Orchard 1st Ward  
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# Comments

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“ Our love goes out to the wonderful family of our dear past neighbor, Sister Marilyn. We lived across the street from the Mooney family for 10 years before moving in 1987. She and Norm were the best and kindest neighbors. She raised a wonderful family of whom we enjoyed so much fun and experiences raising our children. We have thought often of Marilyn and her wonderful laugh and smile. Will love her and the world will miss her presence on it. Love all of you Mooneys. Mike and Libby Wightman of Kinston, NC

Libby Wightman - December 01, 2018 at 12:21 PM

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“ My heart goes out to family and friends of Great Aunt Marilyn. I haven't seen her for a few years, but I do remember when I was younger she was always smiling and treated me as if I was her own granddaughter. I would listen to stories that she and my grandma Doris would tell. I'll never forget the two of them smiling and laughing together. Now they are pals in heaven. Rest easy Aunt Marilyn. Until we meet again.

Hokunani Kekahuna - November 30, 2018 at 05:31 PM

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“ What an awesome woman! My husband, myself and my daughter were all lucky enough to have Mrs. Mooney as our Kindergarten teacher. Best teacher ever! Thank you Mrs. Mooney for impacting so many people in such a positive way.

Kimbers - November 30, 2018 at 01:21 PM

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“ I would say I'm sorry but just thinking about your Mom makes me smile. Seeing her with Claudia, Colleen and Iona "The Lunch Bunch" at my Mom's funeral was my favorite part of the day. Your Mom was so energetic and so interesting just full of life. Se was just an awesome lady one that I am so very glad that I knew.



Sue Ann Akers - November 29, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Marilyn’s passing. She was a great lady in all respects. Sending love to her family who carries on her legacy.

**Debbie-Rock Canyon** - November 29, 2018 at 12:09 PM

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“ In my minds eye, Ms. Mooney will always be my teacher. She taught me in 1980. In 1994 as I was preparing to leave on my mission she came up to me in the restaurant I was working at and not only remembered me, but remembered my name. I was one of well more than a thousand that she taught, all of whom would say “I was secretly her faviorte.” She made everyone feel that way. Thank you Ms. Mooney for starting me down the path of education, thank you for making me feel special. To her family I offer my sincere gratitude to you for sharing her with all of us little five year olds for all those years. She was special.

**Scott Bennett** - November 29, 2018 at 01:01 AM

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“ She always did, and always will, have a very special place in my heart. She made learning so much fun!! Whenever I hear the song, "You Are My Sunshine," I think of her.

**Robyn Rasmussen Krushinsky** - November 29, 2018 at 12:38 AM

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**Hillary Sisson** - November 28, 2018 at 11:17 AM