



Jean Marie Christensen Showell

April 30, 1931 - October 4, 2020

Jean Marie Christensen Showell, 89, of Malad, Idaho passed away on October 4, 2020 in North Logan, Utah. She was born April 30, 1931 in Richfield, Utah to Marlell Lavar Christensen and Jean Cole.

In her teenage years Jean was a model for ZCMI department store. She was selected as Miss Burley Idaho and competed in the Miss Idaho Pageant. She graduated from Utah State University with a degree in education, was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, and an attendant to Junior Prom Queen. In 1953 she was the Utah winner for the "National Make it Yourself with Wool" contest, in which she sewed her own outfit and attended the national contest in Long Beach, California.

Jean married John LeRoy (Jack) Taylor in the Logan Temple on September 19, 1952. The couple had three children, John Michael (Mike), Marcia, and Kent David Taylor. A foster daughter, Rose Toledo, joined the family later through the Indian Placement Program. Jack passed away in 1961 following heart surgery. Jean married James C. Miller in 1964 who passed away from cancer six years after they were married.

Jean taught home economics for three years at Box Elder High School and six years at Logan High School. In 1974, Jean married Steven E. Showell and moved to Stone, Idaho. The couple had one son, Christian Edward (Chris) Showell. In 1980, the family moved to Malad, Idaho.

She worked as the Oneida County, University of Idaho Extension Agent for 16 years. She worked with the 4H program and implemented a mentoring program. In 1989, she earned a master's degree from Utah State University. From 1999 to 2002, Jean served a full-time mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. She served as a hostess at the Conference Center on Temple Square for several years.

Jean was a member of the Oneida Quilters Guild and made many beautiful quilts. She

served as the Captain of the Oneida Camp of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. She enjoyed painting, gardening, cooking, traveling, and spending time with her family. Jean cared deeply for her family and friends and blessed many lives through her unconditional love and service. The family is deeply grateful for all those who loved and cared for Jean at Maple Springs in North Logan, Utah.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, John LeRoy Taylor, James C. Miller, and Steven E. Showell; daughter-in-law, Sheryl Taylor; and grandson Kaden Jay Bowman.

Jean is survived by her sister Karen (Doug) Ward of Longmont, CO, children Mike (Tamie) Taylor of Sandy, UT, Marcia (Randy) Jensen of Twin Falls, ID, Kent Taylor of Logan, UT, Chris (Sarah) Showell of Malad, ID, foster daughter Rose Toledo of Mission Viejo, CA, 19 grandchildren, and 36 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, October 10, 2020 beginning at 12:00pm at Allen-Hall Mortuary, 34 East Center in Logan, with a viewing prior from 10:30 to 11:30am. Condolences may be expressed online at <http://www.allenmortuaries.net>

Services will be live streamed and may be viewed via the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86847178680?pwd=MFZTMjh5WmVRSDFvR3d0MW95UTFWZz09>
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Allen-Hall Mortuary - October 12, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ Jean is a great friend for over a half century. We worked at Logan Hi together. She rescued me more than once with sewing projects. It was a joy visiting with her at Maple Springs. Her son Mike married our niece Tamie, giving us reason to consider ourselves relatives and friends. Jean is a gem, and heaven is a little brighter with her presence. We send love and sympathy to her family members - she loves you all dearly. Lovingly, Val & Kathy King

Kathy King - October 10, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ I will remember Jean as a very classy beautiful woman who was kind and loving. She opened her home often so her daughter and friends (including myself) could have fun slumber parties. She would always fix pancakes for breakfast and it's where I learned the secret of topping them with peanut butter. I was impressed by her strength, courage and abilities as a single mother after losing two husbands in raising her children. She was a remarkable lady who will certainly be missed by many.

Kathi Bischoff - October 10, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ Jean was always so kind to me. Even when I was a teenager I felt like she always showed respect to me and would ask me how I was doing. I remember how much work she put into the 4H camp. I'll never forget her.

Jed - October 09, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jean Marie Christensen Showell.



October 08, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jean Marie Christensen Showell.



October 07, 2020 at 11:33 AM



“ Connie, Norm & Sue, Lori & Dennis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jean Marie Christensen Showell.



Connie, Norm & Sue, Lori & Dennis - October 07, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ Oh, Dear Sweet Taylor Family: I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Jean is such a beautiful soul. She sure did a lot in her life. What a list of accomplishments. I know this---she raised a wonderful son in Mike. My cousin, Tamie was fortunate enough to "catch" him years ago. They (and their children) are strong, wonderful citizens and people. I remember visiting with Jean and Mike's sweet, little grandpa that lived on Creek Road. Those are good thoughts and I'm blessed to have those memories in my life.

karen johnson - October 07, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ Aunt Jean was the epitome of living life to the fullest, to me. She had so many talents and passions, and seemed to love life! I watched her as a young mother - loving her children and dealing so well with the tragedy of losing her husband (my Uncle Jack) at such a young age. She carried on well, when others might have curled up in a corner and been defeated. Never Aunt Jean! She lived through many challenges, but still came up smiling. She adored her children and their families and often gave glowing reports of them! Even in her older years, with physical challenges on board, she was active and had such a passion for life! We did not live in the same state, but whenever we came together, so much love radiated from her to me and to my family. She sincerely wanted updates, and was so good about sending letters during the holidays. I loved her dearly, along with her sweet kids. Heaven is even brighter now because she is there!

Connie Bluth - October 07, 2020 at 11:03 AM



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October 06, 2020 at 09:12 PM



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To Jeans loved ones,

I just wanted to say how sorry I am for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time and beyond. How grateful I am to have had the privilege of getting to know Jean and witness the beautiful, amazing, sweet, funny, classy, Christlike lady she is. I sure love her and will deeply miss her and seeing her smile every day at work. Thank you so much for allowing me the blessing of knowing and loving Jean!

A tender little memory that came to mind to share is when we had recently made necklaces and I asked her to tell me about her favorite jewelry. She thought a few moments and said, “oh dear (in that sweet little voice), too many! Anything I was given”, and when I asked how come she simply said, “it means someone loves me!” It was just so sweet and true.

When I think of her, the phrase “people may forget what you said, they may forget what you did, but they will never forget how you made them feel” comes to mind. I hope through, and despite her mortal limitations she endured the last few years and memory failing, that I blessed her life with the joy and fulfillment she blessed my life with similarly. I will never forget Jean and what an amazing, warm and loving family she has.

May you feel His love and sustainment and her near you often. What a beautiful angel you have watching over you. Love you all so much. Emily.

Emily R. - October 06, 2020 at 04:55 PM



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Chris Showell - October 06, 2020 at 12:57 PM