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Gayla Rae Casper

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Feb. 4, 2023
Darrin's Home
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GAYLA CASPER OBITUARY

Gayla Rae Casper
November 1, 1943 ~

January 22, 2023

Dear Boyd,

I have anticipated our reunion for the past 11 years. It's been hard without you, but I pressed on. A lot has happened - graduations, weddings, our first great grandchild! I know we wanted to travel together, and I managed to make it to a couple of great places –

wonderful Spain and back to our beloved Paradise Village in Puerto Vallarta twice. You



with you will be so beautiful.

I love you!

Gayla

Gayla was a dedicated wife, mom, grandma, sister, aunt and friend. She married Boyd in 1962 and had two children – Darrin and Cindy. Gayla's first love and top priority was her family – they always came first and she loved them to distraction.

Gayla graduated from Granite High School in 1962. She had a long and successful career as a secretary, first at Fort Douglas, then for an attorney. Her type speed and accuracy were legendary. Eventually, she trained to become a real estate appraiser. She moved to Vernal, Utah, and in time worked up the courage to run for Uintah County Assessor. She won, although it must be said running unopposed in the general election did nothing to calm her nerves on election night. Gayla finished her career as a hearing officer for the Salt Lake County Board of Equalization. She was loved and admired by all of her coworkers.

Her favorite things to do were boat, travel and cook. She delighted in going to Lake Powell – sunning on the boat, swimming and skiing. She taught every child that stepped foot on her boat to water ski. Her skills and love for boating and cooking culminated in a five course Thanksgiving dinner prepared on the shores of Lake Powell on a two burner stove and Dutch ovens; dancing to Elvis, of course.

Gayla was diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2017. She always maintained her wonderful disposition and personality. She met each challenge of her disease with grace and her infectious, radiant smile. In fact, she was lost briefly during a walk for Alzheimer's only to be found moments later dancing with two toddlers. A special thank you to Legacy Village Sugarhouse and enhabit Hospice. The amazing staff made this journey not only bearable, but somehow pleasant as well.

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(Craig), five grandchildren, one great grandchild, and her friend Mike Richards.

There will be a celebration of Gayla's life at Darrin's home on February 4th. Please contact a family member for details. In lieu of flowers, consider making a donation to the [Alzheimer's Association](http://act.alz.org/goto/gayla-casper) at <http://act.alz.org/goto/gayla-casper>. We love you mom. Enjoy your renewed health with dad and the puppies!

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