

Obituary

Rhea VaLoy Stuart, 75

Rhea VaLoy Stuart, 75, of Blackfoot, passed away Saturday, January 9, 2010 at her home.

She was born November 12, 1934 in Elwood, Utah, to Clarence Gunnerd and Reva Birch Kelstrom. She attended school in Sandy, Oregon, graduating in 1953. Following graduation she attended Beauty School in Portland, OR.



On March 28, 1970 she married Jerry Stuart in Sandy, Oregon. In 1977 Rhea and Jerry moved to Moreland, where they lived until 1985. They returned to Blackfoot in 1989.

Rhea was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, she has served over 20 years in various music callings.

She was proud to be a wife, mother and homemaker and devoted her time and talents to her family and home. She loved her and her family's histories and creating Books of Remembrance. Rhea was very proficient at the computer and sewing. She enjoyed woodworking and crafts. She loved to scrapbook and left a legacy for her family in over 60 books she created.

Rhea is survived by her husband, Jerry, of Blackfoot; sons, Elden Stuart, of Idaho Falls, ID, Jerry (Rosemary) Stuart, of Blackfoot, Clifford Stuart, of Thailand, Craig (Debi) Stuart, of Salt Lake City, UT, Dale (Carla) Stuart, of Blackfoot; daughters, Cheryl (Steve) Beal, of Sandy, OR, Diana (Art) Chesterman, California, Pam (Fred) Jones, of Provo, UT; daughter-in-law, Debbie Stuart, of Pocatello, ID; brother, Doyle (Ruth Ann) Kelstrom, of Brigham City, UT; sixteen grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by son, Jeff Stuart and her parents.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at the Blackfoot Third Ward LDS Chapel, 845 Grant St.. The family will meet with friends and relatives for a viewing one hour prior to service at the church. Interment will be in the Grove City Cemetery under the direction of Hawker Funeral Home.