



Grand Chapter of Utah Order of the Eastern Star



Laura Jo McDermaid, PGAL
Worthy Grand Matron 2000-2001

Laura Jo McDermaid was 87 years old and peacefully passed away on Sunday September 8, 2019. She was born in Salt Lake City on September 3, 1932.

She grew up in Magna, Utah and was a graduate of Cyprus High School, class of 1950. She Married Ted McDermaid on February 22, 1952. As an Air Force wife, she loved to travel and was able to live all over the world, Japan, Hawaii, Washington DC, California, South Dakota, and Nebraska. She moved back to Magna in 1971 and became very active in community service

She joined Eastern Star, Adah Chapter #15 in 1972 and became Worthy Matron. She was elected to be Worthy Grand Matron of Utah in 2000. She was president of the Women's Democratic Club of Utah, President of the Magna Community Council and President of the Magna Chamber of Commerce.

She loved sports, riding in fast cars, on motorcycles, reading, new adventures and always willing to engage in her view on politics.

Special thanks to all of her dear friends, too many to mention, that have been there through her health and sickness with support and friendship to encourage her on her next journey.

She is survived by her son Drew McDemaidd and his spouse Lucy, residing in Mesquite, Nevada, her son Todd McDermaid, residing in Magna Utah, two grandchildren, Kyle and his spouse Ashley residing in Reno, Nevada and Caroline McDermaid and her fiancé Taylor Sexton. Resideing in Reno, Nevada, one great grandchild Elliott McDermaid and another on the way, Ivy McDermaid.

A visitation will be held Monday, September 16, 2019 from 5-8 pm at Peel Funeral Home, 8425 W Magna Main Street (2700 S). Graveside services will be held at 2 pm Tuesday September 17, 2019 at Pleasant Green Cemetery, 9200 W 3500 S, and a Celebration of Life will be held from 2:30 to 5 pm Tuesday following graveside services at the Webster Center 8952 W Magna Main St.

In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either the Webster Center, Magna Community Council or the Magna Chamber of Commerce,

The Grand Chapter of Utah extends our sympathy to her family, friends and members of Adah Chapter #15. As a tribute to her, upon receipt of this memorial, it is requested that each Chapter drape the Altar for a period of 30 days and a prayer offered her memory.

Linda K. Glines,
Worthy Grand Matron

Lee M. Rogers,
Worthy Grand Patron

Karen B. Pullman
Grand Secretary