



Harriet Ann Burket

May 24, 1936 - December 25, 2025

Harriet Ann Burket (nee Doppler), 89, passed away on December 25, 2025, in Lakeland. She was born on May 24, 1936, to Avis (nee Tuggle) and Harry Doppler. Harry was a mining engineer and the family moved through the silver-rich mining towns of Utah, eventually settling in Heber City, where Harriet graduated high school.

She met her future husband, John Burket, at Denver University, and after graduating moved with him to the suburbs of Philadelphia in 1958, where they raised two children. John predeceased Harriet in 1980. She is survived by her son, David (Yasmin), and daughter, Cheyenne Nimes.

In the 1990s, Harriet retired to the community of Highland Fairways, in Lakeland, with her partner Bill Gray. From there they enjoyed many years of travel, and Bill worked on his golf and tennis skills. Harriet was an early and enthusiastic adopter of personal computers in the 1980s, going “online” before many others of her generation understood the term. She later put these skills to work helping various Highland Fairways clubs design their newsletters. Even into her 80s she was an avid videogamer on her iPad, which was perpetually at her side.

After Bill’s passing, in 2023, Harriet’s engagement with the world dramatically lessened. The family particularly extends its heartfelt thanks to neighbors in

Highland Fairways whose support in Harriet's final years was so crucial.

As per her wishes, no services will be held.

Tribute Wall

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“ Although only neighbors for a year, I will always remember Harriet's spunk! Rest in peace, Harriet, and as you know, Midnight is in wonderful hands!

Deb Lavallee - January 07 at 06:57 PM

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“ Was a neighbor of Harriet and Bills for last 18 years Living right across the street we had a lot of encounters. She loved going to Long Horn Steak House.
you have my Deepest Sympathy and Prayers.
She will be missed.
Sharon Harmon. 💕🙏🙏



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