



Juanita Barton

April 29, 1928 - January 27, 2018

Lona “Juanita” Barton passed away at Poudre Valley Hospital on Saturday, January 27th, 2018. Born to James Hugh and Rosie V. Wheeler, on April 29, 1928 in Freedom, Oklahoma, her family moved to Colorado in 1937. She graduated from Cache La Poudre High School in LaPorte, Colorado before attending a Denver business college.

She was employed as a secretary at the Young Women’s Christian association in Denver for a brief period before marrying Carl H. Balloux. They divorced shortly before the couple’s only child, V. “Juanita” Balloux, was born in 1949.

Later, she was married to Clyde L. Virgin for ten years, who preceded her in death in 1973.

In 1965, Juanita started at Hewlett-Packard in Loveland, then was moved to the Boise, Idaho plant, where she met Ed Barton. She and Ed were married in Reno, Nevada in 1977. They relocated to Fort Collins, Colorado in 1978. After Mr. Barton’s death in 1988, she was employed by Forney’s as a manufacturing assembler and by Steele’s Market bakery until she retired.

In her younger years, she found enjoyment in dancing and roller skating; later in life, she enjoyed collecting various items. She is known for her collection of dolls and was a die-hard Broncos fan.

She is survived by her daughter, V. Juanita Martin (Bill); four grandchildren, Shawntel Wilson (Jay), Nelle Bottke (Ken), Daniel Gallegos (Dalena), and Thomas Gallegos (Melissa); nine great-grandchildren, Devon Lain, AshLynne Van Ry (Micky), Cody Lain, Autumn Bottke, Kyler Bottke, Tessa Bottke, Taylor Deatherage, Austin Deatherage, and Tony Reeger; one great-great grandson, Isaac Deatherage; nephew Joe Chinn (Jodie), grand-nephew Connor Chinn, and grand-niece Mikayla Chinn.

Preceding Juanita in death is her brother, James H. Wheeler, Jr.

A funeral service will be held Wednesday, January 31 at 11 a.m. at Bohlender Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery. There will be an open house at 440 N. Sunset following the graveside ceremony. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to your locale Humane Society.

Cemetery Details

Resthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery

8426 S College Ave
Fort Collins, CO

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 31. 11:00 AM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel
121 W. Olive Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(970) 482-4244
<https://www.bohlenderfuneralchapel.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. Juanita was always so nice when we were kids. We'd come by selling cookies and she was just so sweet.
Raygina Kohlmeier

Raygina Kohlmeier - March 01, 2018 at 02:24 AM

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“ Our family has sweet memories of Juanita. We lived down the street from her when our children were very young and she was always so kind to our family. She would invite us in for a treat and share her collection of dolls with us. I am grateful that we were able to share a small part of her life. She always had a smile and will be missed dearly by all who knew her.
Our deepest condolences.
The Robinson Family

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“ Nita and family,
I was so sorry to learn about the passing of your Mom. The last time I actually talked with her was at Mom and Dad's 65th anniversary in 2014. I was so amazed at how great she looked. Even saw Mrs. Schmidt and Harvey. I do feel guilty for all the times I drove by her house on my way to Mom's and always thought next time I'm going to stop and see Juanita. I never did stop...

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Losing a parent is so painful. I'm unable to attend her funeral tomorrow but I'll be thinking of you and your family.

*Shirley Bruns (Mein)
Longmont*

Shirley Bruns - January 31, 2018 at 01:48 AM