



Bette Rae Wood Buckner

November 3, 1947 - April 24, 2026

Bette Wood Buckner, age 78, passed away peacefully at home on April 24, 2026, in Las Vegas, Nevada, following a courageous journey with Alzheimer's disease.

Born on November 3, 1947, in Logan, Utah, Bette lived a life defined by kindness, resilience, and a deep devotion to family and friends. She embraced life fully, with a love for adventure and a spirit that never let an opportunity pass her by. From race car driving to winning bowling competitions, traveling to new places, and even her time as a beauty pageant queen, Bette lived boldly and joyfully, making the most of every moment.

Bette was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and a woman of deep and abiding faith. Her beliefs guided her life and were reflected in her compassion, her service to others, and her steady example of love and humility. Her charitable spirit was evident in all she did. Bette lovingly made thousands of baby blankets-freely given to Navy Relief, as well as to friends and family. She found great joy in caring for others through her creativity and generosity. When her children were young, she poured her love into handmade touches-sewing clothes for their Barbie dolls and creating their Halloween costumes-acts of devotion that became cherished memories.

Above all, Bette will be remembered for her humor, playful spirit, and unwavering generosity. She had a quick wit and a lighthearted nature that brought joy and comfort to those around her. Her ability to make others smile-

often when they needed it most-was one of her most cherished gifts. Even throughout her illness, her fondness for life's simple pleasures remained, including her love of caramel and Diet Coke. Alzheimer's disease changed many things, but it never diminished the love Bette gave or the memories she created with family and friends. Her strength throughout her life was a testament to her enduring spirit.

Bette was preceded in death by her loving husband, Mark D. Buckner, who passed away on May 8, 2014. She is survived by her four children: Pamela J. Borough, James A. Buckner, Brian S. Buckner, and Michelle Buckner; her grandchildren: Braden W. Borough, Sara M. Borough, Armando M. Lopez, and Jessica M. Borough; and her great-granddaughter, Finn H. Borough. Bette will be interred alongside her husband on May 20, 2026, at Miramar National Cemetery in San Diego, California. Bette's legacy lives on in the hearts of all who loved her. She will be deeply missed

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **16**. 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of latter-day Saints- Lone Mountain
5160 W Lone Mountain Rd.
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dedication of Grave Site

MAY **20**. 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Miramar National Cemetery
5795 Nobel Dr.
San Diego, CA 92122

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Jesse & Lynne Buckner Family purchased the Glorious Grace Bouquet for the family of Bette Rae Wood Buckner.*



The Jesse & Lynne Buckner Family - May 11 at 07:58 PM

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“ *We will always remember Bette for her sweet spirit and strength and the love she shared. We did a tree to be planted in her honor and wish to send condolences to her children. Love from Erin, Jessi, and Wendy*

Wendy Wood - May 10 at 07:50 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bette Rae Wood Buckner.*

May 10 at 07:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bette Rae Wood Buckner.*



May 08 at 01:38 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Bette Rae Wood Buckner.*



May 07 at 04:16 PM



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