

Loa Beth Beckstead Nelson
1924 – 2011



Midvale, Utah - Our loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Loa Beth Nelson passed away peacefully on August 5, 2011, of natural causes. Beth had a kind and caring spirit, a gentle heart and was accepting and loving of everyone in her life. She was quick to smile and slow to judge and she will be missed by many.

Beth was born in West Jordan, Utah on September 27, 1924 to Orrin W. and Leona Egbert Beckstead. She married her high school sweetheart, Ray Donald Nelson on October 10, 1946, later solemnized in the L.D.S. Temple. Together they spent 65 loving and devoted years side by side with one another. Beth worked as a secretary for the Kearns Air Base, making life-long friends she called 'the Kearns group' and for the Jordan School District. She was a member of the Midvale Fire Ladies Auxillary and enjoyed time with their retired firemen friends and their wives known as the 'lunch bunch'.

Beth found true joy being a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She is survived by her husband, Don; daughter, Janell (Paul) Ross; grandchildren, Brian (Annelise) Ross and Kellie (Ty) Nilsson, as well as three great-grandchildren; brother, Jay (Arlene) Beckstead; and sister, LeRae (Ned) Cundick. Her family finds true comfort knowing that Beth will be reunited with her beloved son Bobby, as well as many other family and friends.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, August 9, at noon at Goff Mortuary, 8090 S. State Street, Midvale, Utah. A viewing will be held prior to the service from 10:00 - 11:30. Interment will be held at Midvale City Cemetery. The family would like to thank the staff at Alta Ridge Assisted Living, South Jordan who served her so lovingly and treated Don as a part of their family.