



## Eileen Tyler Dowling

January 3, 1920 - January 14, 2018

Eileen Tyler Dowling, 98, passed away Sunday, January 14, 2018, peacefully.

Eileen was born on January 3, 1920, in Douglas, Arizona to James Rue Tyler and Leona Adelaide Douglass Tyler. She grew up with two sisters and a brother in a very musical family and became an accomplished musician at a young age. Her talent included the piano, organ, guitar, banjo, mandolin, base violin, and flute. On her 80th birthday, she was thrilled to be able to play the organ in the Salt Lake City Tabernacle surrounded by numerous family members from across the country. As a teenager in the 1930's, she and her siblings performed on a daily radio show in Los Angeles where they met many of the radio stars of the day.

During World War II, Eileen worked for the FBI in Washington D.C. where she met Special Agent Emmett Dowling, with whom she fell in love and later married. When Emmett's assignment took him abroad during the war, Eileen volunteered for the Red Cross and served in the European theatre and North Africa. There, she put her musical talents to work or organized shows for the GI's in England, France and Italy. She once had dinner with General George Patton in Sicily.

She and Emmett loved and excelled in sports and raised five sons and a daughter who shared that passion. The day before she died, she was excited to watch the New England Patriots' playoff game. She played tennis at Wimbledon (played, not competed) and carded a hole-in-one the first time she played golf.

Eileen was married to Emmett for 22 years before he died of Leukemia. After 51 years of separation, she is now reunited with her sweetheart.

Eileen served in many church callings, including Gospel Doctrine teacher and organist, a full-time mission in St. Joseph, Missouri, and regular service in the LDS temple. Her life was filled with kindness and service to others in so many ways, both great and small. In her later years, she devoted hours each day to knitting and crocheting hats to give to

family, friends, and families of friends, but most of all, for babies and children in hospitals, for whom she donated countless hundreds of hats.

She is survived by her children Emmett (“Pat”) Dowling of Madison, WI; Brian Dowling (Marnie) of New Haven, CT; Dennis Dowling (Elaine) of Fountain Hills, AZ; Chris Dowling (Sheryl) of Orem, Utah; Mike Dowling (Darsi) of Wellesley, MA; and Kelly Stimpson (Kim) of Bigfork, MT; 20 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

The family would like to express deep appreciation to the loving caregivers at the Covington Assisted Living in Orem.

A family graveside service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, January 20, 2018 at Timpanogos Memorial Gardens, 1000 North 400 East, Orem, Utah. No prior visitation will be held. Condolences may be expressed at <http://www.bergmortuary.com>.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the LDS Humanitarian Aid Fund at [ldsp.org](http://ldsp.org) or by calling (800) 525-8074. Condolences to the family may be sent to <http://www.bergmortuary.com>.

# Events

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1000 North 400 East, Orem, UT, US, 84057

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