



## VonCeile Bruce Shelley

December 12, 1922 - March 29, 2012

Our loving mother, and grandmother, VonCeile Shelley, 89, passed away peacefully at her home Thursday, March 29, 2012. She was born December 12, 1922 in La Grande, Oregon to Saxon Berners Bruce and Pearl Rosenbaum Bruce. She attended schools and graduated from high school in La Grande. She then moved to Provo, Utah to attend school at BYU where she met and married Donald "M" Shelley. They were married in the Manti Temple January 30, 1948.

Vonnie was a talented dancer and traveled much of Oregon performing in her youth. She was an active member of the LDS church where she served in many callings, including Primary President, Primary Secretary, and Ward Librarian. She and her husband owned and operated Don Shelley Chevron on the corner of 500 N. and 500 W. for 9 years. They also owned and operated Don Shelley Towing from 1971-2002. She was a big BYU and Utah Jazz fan till the day she passed away.

Vonnie is survived by her five children, Gary M. (Marie) Shelley, Kenneth L. (Lucille) Shelley, Cheryl (Randy) Halliday, Don D. Shelley, Janeen (George) Randall, 17 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers, Jim Bruce and Morris Bruce, and her sister Evelyn Bruce Blaser.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at the Berg Drawing Room Chapel, 185 East Center Street, Provo, Utah. Friends may call at the mortuary Monday evening from 6 until 8 and Tuesday morning from 10-10:50 a.m. prior to services. Interment, East Lawn Memorial Hills, Provo. Condolences to the family may be sent through her obituary at [www.bergmortuary.com/obituaries](http://www.bergmortuary.com/obituaries).

# Events

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**APR**   **Visitation**   06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Berg Mortuary of Provo - East Room  
185 East Center Street, Provo, UT, US, 84606

**APR**   **Interment**

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East Lawn Memorial Hills  
4800 North 650 East, Provo, UT, US, 84604

**APR**   **Visitation**   10:00AM - 10:50AM

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**APR**   **Funeral Service**   11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Your parents were great people and I remember your Mom as always being sweet, quiet and always smiling. She was a great lady and a favorite Aunt of mine. While we can all be sad at her parting, I'm sure there is much happiness as she joins your Dad for their Eternity together. Our thoughts and love to all of you at this time.  
Warren and Kathie

**Warren Grames - Sandy, UT** - April 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Im sorry for you loss!!! thinking of you and your family! Loves and Hugs, Angela, Dylan, Jade Murray and Helen DiCaro

**Angela Murray and Family - Provo, UT - Friend** - April 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I don't really remember much about your mother because we did not see you but for a couple of times during my childhood. I do remember a picture of her in a dance costume. The picture was on top of the piano in the living room of her mother's house in LaGrande. I wish we could have known each other better. I am sorry about her death. May she rest in peace with God. My address is

Mrs. Joan Shuman  
356 Pine St  
Eatontown, NJ 07724

**Joan Bruce Shuman (Jim Bruce's daughter) - Eatontown, NJ - Niece** - April 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ As I read Vonnie's obituary, I was surprised at some of the things I didn't know about her, but she being the quiet, humble little lady, this didn't surprise me in the least. My fondest memories of Vonnie are seeing her weekly at church and her welcoming smile. She always took the time to speak to me and ask about my family. Although she was a quiet lady, her presence was known by the strength and wisdom she carried with her. She truly was a lady in every sense of the word! She was one of those 'quiet doers'....and not one to draw attention to herself. Vonnie was a wonderful wife and mother, raising a great family...each I have had the opportunity of knowing and being blessed to know each one of them. What a great legacy she leaves for her posterity!

Gary, Ken, Cheryl, Don and Janeen.....may the sweet memories of your dear mom help you in the many days ahead and know there are many thinking of you at this time.

Love you and your family,  
Karen (Atkin) Carlile

**Karen Atkin Carlile** - April 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ so sorry for your loss

**Lisa Tauvell - Prineville, OR - Friend of family** - April 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Don and families,  
I am sorry for your loss. I never knew VonCeile as an adult and have only one memory of her as a child. It was from a Bruce family gathering in La Grande. I know that every time I see her picture it reminds me of my Dad. No doubt that they were brother and sister. I wish that I could have chatted with her and found out things about my Dad.

eighty-nine years is a long life time. I am glad that you were with her at the end and it was peaceful parting.

My thoughts and prayers are with you and have been from the moment I got the call. They will especially be with you on Tuesday.

Thanks Don for being part of my life and sharing VonCeile.

**Michael Bruce - Hillsboro, OR - Nephew** - March 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM