



Mervlyn Alapa'i Sperry

August 23, 1933 - May 27, 2014

Mervlyn Alapa'i Kahaunaele Sperry, 80, went to be with her Heavenly father on May 27, 2014 in Pueblo. Born August 23, 1933, raised in Kapa'a, Kauai. Preceded in death by her husband Lewis Belden; parents Becky and Joseph Kahaunaele; siblings Joe, Larry Kahaunaele and Kelly Harbottle. Mervlyn loved her o'hana (family) and supported them in all of their activities/sports. She enjoyed playing bingo, softball, and bowling. She served as a PWBA director and was one of the first women to win "King of the Lanes" tournament. She was a member of the 4th ward of the LDS Church. Mrs. Sperry was a teacher's assistant for 36 years at "The Little Red School House" at North Mesa Elementary. She loved teaching others about her Hawaiian heritage and taught her daughters and granddaughters to hula. Survived by siblings David Kahaunaele, Dora Swain, Etta Kailimai; Children Belden (Debra) Sperry, Lynnette (Larry) Stecklein, Leilani (Curt) Osleson, Maile (Chris) Ortiz, Robin (David) Rasmussen, 11 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, Charity (Randy) Levene, Dominique, Makiyah, Sakari, Randy; Jillian (Fonz) Fonzie, Adrianna Maes; Shaye Stecklein (Drew) Noelani; BJ (Sara) Saraye Sperry; Sean Stecklein (Melissa); Kory (Judi) Sperry; Trisha (Kevin) Jesik Jaelah; Erin (Josh) Bruning; Kiani Ortiz (Hapaki); Mitchell Ortiz (Erica); Jayson Ortiz; Also survived by many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Special friends: Barbara, Naomi, Cathy, Denise, Maryann, and Luann and all the North Mesa Staff. Puna, as she was affectionately known by many, will always be remembered for her loving, caring personality and her love to share her Hawaiian heritage with everyone, especially the students at North Mesa Elementary. Special Thank you to the staff at Belmont Assisted Living and to University Park Care Center, especially Brenda. Memorial Service, Tues June 3rd at 11 a.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 4720 Surfwood Lane. Reception to immediately follow. In the Spirit of Aloha, wear Hawaiian attire. Private inurnment. Online condolences www.roselawnpueblo.com

Tribute Wall

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Mrs. Sperry and the "Little Red School House" has a very special space in my heart. So many fond memories! I was fortunate enough to be taught hula with Charity. Because of her the world has been left better than what she found it! She made a difference in so many lives.

Amber Neff (Pirraglia) - June 04, 2014 at 12:34 AM

MA

Thank you for the wonderful thoughts Amber

Maile - June 04, 2014 at 11:04 PM

RD

“ I will never forget how Lyn taught me to hula with her daughters Lynnette and Leilani. I think my most favorite memory of her was watching her dance and thinking...I will never be able to do it as graceful and beautiful as she does. And how much fun the Steed's and Sperry's had when we got together. Lyn was also an amazing primary teacher. (She taught me how to knit) lol. She was also a fantastic softball coach!!! We always had so much fun!! She will be deeply missed, but I know she is with Heavenly Father and watching over her Ohana. Love, Robbin (Steed) Dietz

Robbin Dietz - June 02, 2014 at 10:44 PM

MA

Thank you Robbin

Maile - June 04, 2014 at 11:05 PM

LD

“ We are so truly sorry for the loss of such a wonderful and kind lady. May God give you all strength during this difficult time. Remember all the amazing times you had with her. She will never be forgotten.
Always, Linda, Lisa, & Britty

Linda Dugger - June 01, 2014 at 08:44 PM

PR

“ MY deepest condolences to the entire Sperry family in the loss of such a great lady....you're in my thoughts and prayers.....God Bless you all!

Pat Redinger

Pat Redinger - June 01, 2014 at 09:56 AM