



## Joyce Larson

February 7, 1934 - August 21, 2020

Joyce (Fliflet) Larson, 86, of Turlock, passed away Friday, August 21st after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease.

Joyce was born in a log cabin in Donald, Wisconsin to Joseph and Ruth (Bakke) Fliflet. One of nine siblings in a tight-knit Norwegian family, they moved to California in 1941 where she attended local schools and graduated from Turlock High School in 1952. She fell in love with Dewey Larson, marrying him in 1956, and together they had three children. Besides making a home for her family, she also had a working career that included the United California Bank and 25+ years as a teacher's aide at Osborn Elementary School.

We will remember her steadfast support of her husband and children and her belief they should always follow their dreams. We'll remember her perfect harmony to any melody and her ability to make every person feel welcomed and heard. We'll remember her strong faith in god and the way she loved and served the church that impacted so many.

Her grandchildren remember her warmth, love, and optimism; the way they always felt at home wherever she was; her consistent presence, always ready with a hug and a kiss and a Jolly Rancher.

Joyce is survived by her husband of 65 years, Dewey Larson; her children Wendy, David (Gena), and Nancy (Todd); seven brilliant grandchildren, and one especially adorable great-grandson. She also leaves behind two siblings, Rachel Friesen and David Fliflet.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at New Life Christian Center in Turlock, 2918 W. Tuolumne Rd.

Attendance will be limited due to the current COVID-19 circumstances. Please wear a face covering and observe social distancing guidelines.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages making a donation in honor of Joyce Larson to the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## **Turlock Memorial Park**

575 N. Soderquist Rd.  
Turlock, CA 95380  
(209) 632-9111  
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

# Previous Events

## **Celebration of Life**

SEP 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

New Life Christian Center  
2918 West Tuolumne Rd  
Turlock, CA 95380

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Larson*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *I was deeply saddened to hear that Joyce had passed from this earth, which will be a lesser place without her kindness. I came to know Joyce at Osborn School, where she was cherished by adults and children alike. Whenever I bumped into Joyce at work, it made my day a little bit brighter, for her genuine concern for others, especially the children, was always apparent. We were lucky to have her there and I was blessed to have known her. May she Rest In Peace.*

**Mary McCandless** - September 05, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ *We remember Joyce Larson as a pillar of faith and love. Thankam and I remember her as a faithful friend and servant of the lord. She showed us how to make bacon, tomato, lettuce and cheese sandwich for the first time. A dear family we fondly cherish in living hop.*

**p T Mammen** - August 31, 2020 at 08:57 PM



*Living hope*

**p T Mammen** - August 31, 2020 at 08:59 PM

DF

“ Joyce was one of the most loving, caring people I’ve ever known. She was devoted to her God, her family, her friends and her church. When she talked with you she always remembered details about your life that you had previously shared...making you feel so special and loved. She will be missed by so many people that she has touched in one way or another. Heaven has gained a special lady and earth is a little less bright. Prayers of peace and comfort for Dewey and family.

*Darlene Ferriera*

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**Darlene Ferriera** - August 26, 2020 at 05:03 PM

KB

*I have and will always remember Joyce as we worked together as teachers aides back in the day. She is one of those people that you just never can forget. She was so sweet and always seemed to have so much energy and you felt like she had known you forever. Thank you Joyce for the precious memories. I’m sure there is special place for you heaven.*

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**Karen Barragan** - August 28, 2020 at 12:21 AM

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“ When my husband, Allen, and I first attended New Life, Joyce recognized us as being newcomers and came to us to warmly welcomed us. Her kindness and love was so genuine. This memory has become one of the most precious ones I have.

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**Holly Greene** - August 26, 2020 at 04:47 PM

MC

“ I have know Joyce for over 63 years. She was always smiling, and very gracious. We shared grand kids that went to TCS. We would always see each other at Grandparents Day. She was a beautiful person. Praying for Dewy & her family.  
Mary Lou (Nelson) Cederlind.

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**Mary Lou A Cederlind** - August 26, 2020 at 04:16 PM

JG

“ Joyce was an amazing person! She was quick to bring over freshly baked cookies when Bob had surgery 🙏. We felt comfortable and loved around her! We were encouraged by her often! Our prayers and love go out to Dewey and all of her family! She will be missed!  
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**Jenelle Guinn** - August 26, 2020 at 03:57 PM