



## Christa Ursula Jensen

October 16, 1936 - April 25, 2019

Funeral service for Christa Ursula Binder Jensen, age 82, of Decatur, will be Saturday, May 4, 2019, 1:00 p.m. in the chapel at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2006 Modaus Road, S.W., Decatur, AL, with Shelton Funeral Home directing. The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. prior to service at the church. Interment will be in East Lawrence Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Jensen rejoined her beloved husband, Bent, on April 25, 2019, after a courageous battle with cancer. Christa led an amazing and exciting life that spanned 82 years and three continents, beginning in Berlin, Germany on October 16, 1936. Her parents, Karl and Dora Binder, left Germany with Christa and her younger sister, Gisela, shortly after the Second World War, moving to Orem, Utah, where the family forged a new life. Christa studied nursing at Brigham Young University, which led to her work at the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, where she met and married Bent Jensen, a Danish immigrant who was also forging a new life. Together they raised five children and played an integral part in the lives of many more children and adults.

Christa and Bent lived lives of adventure and service to their family, church, and community. Christa supported Bent in his many positions of church leadership and in his professional career and business. They built friendships and legacies beginning in Provo, UT, then moved on to Puerto Ordaz,

Venezuela, followed by many years in Florida, moving from the intracoastal waterway in Pompano Beach to the secluded glades of Sebring, FL. In their later years, they followed two of their children to the land of southern hospitality in Decatur, AL, where Christa lived her final years. An active member of her church, Christa had an immense and deep faith, supported by a firm testimony of Jesus Christ as our Savior, and was a great example of Christlike love and charity to all who knew her.

Christa's husband, children, and grandchildren were her greatest joy. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Bent Jensen, and granddaughter, Robin Jensen, as well as her parents and younger sister.

She is survived by her children, Karen Wendel (Todd), Richard Jensen (Connie), Debbie Jones (Gregg), Christopher Jensen (Lara), and Maryanne Kingsford (Adam), as well as 11 adoring grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Christa loved to garden, and her life was linked to a garden's symbolism: The Wedding is the Planting; The Marriage is the Season for Growing; and The Family is the Bounty.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish to make memorial contributions may do so in Christa's memory to the American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

# Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the album Chris Jensen



Shelton Funeral Home - January 14, 2022 at 02:45 PM

CJ

“ Aunt Christa was a saint among saints. One of the most caring selfless people I've ever known. A kind person whose moral compass never faltered. Please give Grete a hug.



Curtis Jensen - April 30, 2019 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ An A GARDEN PATH was ordered on April 29, 2019



Expression of Sympathy - April 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ *A SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW  
WREATH was sent on April 29, 2019 Mom -  
You always loved rainbows and their colors.  
We know you are in the land over the rainbow  
now and the colors must be spectacular.  
Love, Karen and Todd*



---

**Expression of Sympathy** - April 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM