



Alice Hill Bellevan

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Alice Calla Bellevan passed from this world to her heavenly home on October 24, 2015, two days before her 98th birthday. Alice was born on October 26, 1917 in Riceville, Iowa to Fern (Elwell) and Herbert Ure. Alice spent her youth in Iowa and Minnesota living in small towns and on a farm. She attended schools in town as well as country schools where her mother taught Alice in the 5th grade. Destiny called when at the age of 20, Alice left Iowa State Teacher's College to marry Montell Hill. They eventually had six children together. Leaving the cold climate of Iowa, Alice and family moved to sunny San Diego in 1959 traveling cross country for three days on the Southern Pacific train. Here she was closer to her family which included her mother, brother Sam, and twin sisters Bessie and Jessie. Alice, now a single mother, worked to support her family still at home by being a clerk at the North Park Thrifty Drug Store for thirteen years. It was during this time that Alice met Paul Bellevan, the manager of the local TG&Y Store. Paul used to sing the old song "I Found a Million Dollar Baby at the Five & Ten Cent Store" referring to the lovely Alice. They were married in 1971 and spent the next forty-four years together. Alice loved to dance. She was a great cook and baker. She always had a warm welcome for family and friends in her home and loved to entertain. Called "Mama Alice" by some of her children's friends she was something of a surrogate mother to many. Over the years Alice was a member and held office in many local organizations as well as serving as a volunteer in the gift shop for UCSD Medical Center. She was a member of the San Carlos Methodist Church; the Order of the Eastern Star, Harbor Lights chapter; (grand)Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; UFCW Retirees Club; Zoological Society of San Diego; Good Sam RV club and a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. Alice was preceded in death by her husband, Paul; her sons Terry and Ty and her granddaughter Deanna. She is survived by her son, Tom (Shirley) Hill; daughters Virginia Hill, Beverly Ashe and Iris (Sammy) Carini; step-daughters Pamela (Pete)



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Selvig and Penny Childers; sister Jessie Flegal; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Alice was dearly loved by her family and friends and will be greatly missed. In lieu of flowers the family suggests a donation be made in Alice's name to the Gideon International organization (www.gideons.org).



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JM

Jeanne Martinez posted:

We send our condolences & prayers to all of Alice's family. She was a beautiful, elegant lady who we were privileged to get to know over the years. Her beautiful family is her great legacy. All of you will have so many wonderful memories to hold on to. Jeanne & Ed Martinez

November 6 at 6:25 AM

IE

Irma Eichinger posted:

My dearest memory was many years ago, we went on an Elks' trip to Branson, Missouri. While we were there, several people thought that we were sisters! That was a compliment because Alice was so beautiful. Hard to imagine that this lovely, petite lady gave birth to 6 children. Wow! She was an amazing lady and will be missed by all. Irma Eichinger

November 4 at 11:15 AM

CR

Cheryl.Robison posted:

Alice was a wonderful mother, she had a fabulous daughter Virginia Hill. RIP Alice thank you for raising such a wonderful family. Sorry for your loss my friend Iv Cheryl Robison

November 4 at 9:09 AM

JM

Jim Mccarthy posted:

I've known Alice almost my entire life as a little kid in Riceville, Iowa. I have many beautiful memories of time spent at the "Hill House". As an Elvis fan I'll never forget watching his tv appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show at the Hill House! My late wife, Jane, also loved Alice and admired her ability to always look perfect with her hair, makeup and clothing like she was going to a party. My family was always welcome in her house and for many special events. My sincere condolences to all the family and friends for this very sad loss.

November 3 at 10:41 AM

SH

Summer Hill posted:

I will miss my Grandma Alice and hold her close to my heart. I have peace knowing she is with her loved ones in heaven. Love you Grandma..

November 3 at 9:49 AM



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Nancy Foushee posted:

Beautiful Alice was my aunt, my father's sister. I first met her in about 1959 when she and family moved to San Diego. Though she had six (also beautiful) kids, I never saw her look rattled. She was a lovely, lovely woman—in body and soul. Serene. Sweet, Generous. Funny. Hard-working. A pillar of strength for everyone who knew her. She will be greatly missed. May she rest in peace. Nancy Foushee

November 3 at 2:14 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Alice by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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