



## Malina Ann Redfern Bruin

January 16, 1938 - January 31, 2021

Malina Ann Redfern Bruin passed away of natural causes Sunday, January 31, 2021 at her home in Butte. She was born in Butte Sunday, January 16, 1938 the youngest child to Florian and Clara (Derringer) Tardiff. She attended the Emerson Elementary and Butte High School. She and John E. Redfern were married in St. John's Episcopal Church on October 1, 1955. They moved to California in 1958 and spent the next 30 years in Concord and Livermore areas.

Malina worked for Alpha Beta and Safeway Stores throughout the Bay area and retired in 1988. In November of 1988 they returned to Butte to be close to her mother. On September 13, 1989 John was tragically killed in a construction accident at Butte High School. In January of 2000 Malina married longtime Butte resident Buck Bruin and he passed away on March 3, 2020. Malina loved her family unconditionally and welcomed everyone into her home. She loved her family above all else and spent most of her free time with her kids and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was active in St. John's Episcopal Church. The world is a less kind and loving place without her and no one who met her ever walked away not understanding that they had encountered someone very special. We are sure she was welcomed with open arms into Heaven.

She is survived by her sister, Rena (Jeb), sister-in-law, Colleen Redfern, her children, John and Kathy, Claire and Dan, Bill and Sue, Carole and Ron, Shelley and Doug, Mark, Donna, Lori, Larry and Stephanie. Grandchildren

include Rashelle (Anchalee), Lynette (Anthony) Trisha, Johnny and Taylor, Stephanie, Chris (Carly) Nicole (Brent), Krystal (Jose), Meghan (Nico), Hailey, Billy, Marissa (Dylan), Johnny (Shayleigh), Cody, Malina (Matt), Mark, Buck's grandchildren, Anthony (Whitnee), Jackie (Hunter), Danny (Shayla), Heather, Jeremy, Amanda (Shane) and 24 great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She is preceded by seven brothers and sisters, her husbands John Redfern and Buck Bruin, a daughter, Julie, granddaughter, Brandi, Buck's daughter Sandy and his son Michael.

Cremation has taken place. Private entombment services have taken place and a public celebration of her life will be conducted on the 4th of July weekend, 2021 when Covid-19 restriction have eased.

A Special thank you is extended to Dr. Samieian from the entire family for all the kind and attentive care given to Malina during her illness.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL 3. 3:00 PM (MT)

Bruin Home  
1876 Phillips Avenue  
Butte, MT 59701

# Tribute Wall



“ I’m so sorry to hear of the passing of Aunt Malina. Sending the family love and hugs.

Phyllis Comfort (Eddy) - February 06, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ Malina was a wonderful woman. She loved everyone that came into her life. Malina was my godmother and I will cherish the special moments we shared. May God's hands help you with through the transition. We love you and miss you so much. Give everyone a hug from me 🤗.

Becky Eddy - February 05, 2021 at 11:46 PM



Aunt Malina, You were a mother to Jules and I, a life’s blessing, and many others too. We ALWAYS looked forward to coming to Butte to see you and spend time with you 🙏. We love 💕 you, and thank you for all the memories 😊🤔🤗, you are greatly missed. Mark and Jules

mark marotz - March 29, 2021 at 10:06 PM



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Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - February 03, 2021 at 06:31 PM

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*So sorry for the loss of Aunt Malina. My condolences to her family.  
Love you all, and you are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Hope to see you in July.*

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**Regan Hurlbert** - February 06, 2021 at 08:25 PM