



## Doyle Stroup

August 12, 1941 - November 8, 2020

Doyle Stroup, 79, passed Sunday, November 8th, at his residence in Lindon, Utah after a long bout with strokes, heart disease, cancer, kidney disease and diabetes.

He was the oldest child and son of Lawrence Everett Stroup and Martha Elizabeth ('Liz') Stroup (nee Chatley) of Bradford, PA. Born August 12, 1941, in Lock Haven, PA, he moved many times with his family as a child and youth, beginning school in Boalsburg, PA and continuing his primary education at Derrick City and Lincoln Schools in Foster Township, McKean County attending schools in every ward in Bradford City excepting the 6th Ward. He graduated from Bradford High School in 1959 and went on to Brigham Young University in Provo, UT graduating in August 1965 with a B.S. in organic chemistry, continuing graduate studies thereafter. Amidst his college education, he worked various jobs at BYU (1960-62), Kendall Refinery in Bradford, and the Allegheny National Forest Service. He then took positions in Rochester, NY: first with the Rochester Button Co., and then with Strassenburgh Pharmaceuticals there in Rochester, following which he was hired as a Civilian Employee Chemist with the U.S. Army at Aberdeen Proving Ground (Edgewood Area) in Maryland where he worked in Collective Protection and as manager of the Peace Treaty Computer Lab in the Biological Chemical Command over a span of thirty-one years taking early retirement in 2002 following his first stroke in Nov, 2001. He then worked about a year selling cable in various states of the Midwest and then took a job with Walmart in the electronics departments of two stores in Elkton, MD and one store in North East, MD where he later worked as a greeter. His Walmart jobs spanned fourteen years. He also worked as a tax-preparer for H&R Block in Elkton and Rising Sun, Maryland for a number of tax seasons while he was working for Walmart.

A member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he is survived by his wife, Rita, to whom he was sealed for time and all eternity on July 1, 1976 in the Washington DC Temple in Kensington, Maryland. He and the former Rita Rupert of Bradford, PA first met officially during a branch project selling tacos at the Cattaraugus County (NY) Fair. Their first date took them on a whirlwind drive to south central PA where they visited the East Broadtop and Orbisonia Excursion Railway and toured Gettysburg, PA. An avid

model train aficionado, he was once granted a license from Lionel to produce reproduction trains, as President of Stroup Enterprises which he headed several years. Through the years, his other avocations were researching family history and building computers. For decades, until his illnesses of the past few years, he was an avid fan of BYU football and other collegiate sports. He was once a member of the Cougar Club. He and Rita each held callings as Patron Service Representatives in Stake Family History Centers in the Dover and Wilmington, Delaware Stakes in both Wilmington and Newark, DE from September 1981 until May 2002 and again from about 2006 until 2017. They enjoyed many fun and exciting family history trips to repositories, archives, libraries, courthouses, historical societies, as well as cemeteries in DC, MD, PA, NY, NJ, CT, VT, MA, KY, IA, UT, and WY and attended various family history fairs in Delaware and New Jersey. He also once had callings as Elders Quorum President, Ward Executive Secretary, and Membership Clerk at various times in the Rising Sun Branch and the Bayview Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in North East, MD. He was also once a member of The Allegheny Branch in Bradford, PA, and a Ward in Rochester, NY, and the Chesapeake Ward in MD.

Before moving to Utah in 2017, to be closer to their son, Stephen and his family, Doyle and Rita lived in Bel Air, MD and in Port Deposit, MD, living the longest in Port Deposit from April, 1978, until Rita moved to Utah in Feb, 2017 and Doyle in Aug, 2017 to live with their son, Stephen E. Stroup, who survives, and his family in Eagle Mountain, UT. In Aug, of 2018 they moved to Avalon Senior Living in Lindon, UT where they have since resided.

In addition to his wife, Rita (nee Rupert) and son, Stephen E. Stroup, Doyle is survived by 3 granddaughters: Sophie Claire Stroup, Vivienne Harper Stroup, and Amelia Estelle Stroup with another grandchild on the way. Diana Stroup Watkins, his sister, of Hope Mills, NC survives. He is also survived by 16 nieces and nephews living in AZ, UT, NV, ID, MO, PA, OH, NC, and Mexico and a number of great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and by his brother, Douglas Everill Stroup, his sister, Delores Stroup Olmstead, his niece, Cheri Lynn Olmstead, and nephew, Daniel H. Olmstead.

A memorial service is to be scheduled at a later date.

The family wishes to thank Lisa Hendrix, RN as well as Schyler, RN, and Elisa, RN, of Alpha Home Health and Hospice, as well as Royal West, PT, and Matt, a chaplain with hospice. Also, to be thanked, are the staff at A+ Home Health Care and the staff at Stonehenge of American Fork, as well as, Zach, PT, formerly with Creekside and, more recently, with Hearts and Homes for Hospice, who also assisted Doyle during the past three years.

Donations, if desired, may be made to any one of the following: The American Stroke Association, The American Heart Association, The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, The American Cancer Society, National Kidney Foundation, or to the Perpetual Education Fund or Humanitarian Aid Funds of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

# Comments

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“ Stephen, sorry for your loss. I didn't know him well but we'd speak every time we crossed paths! May the good memories provide a comfort to you and your family. Bill Standiford.

**Bill Standiford** - November 30, 2020 at 05:44 PM

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**Stephen Stroup** - November 24, 2020 at 06:47 PM