



George Church

October 31, 1932 - June 5, 2020

George Donald Church, 87, of Pleasant Grove, Utah completed his earthly journey on Friday, June 5, 2020. He passed away peacefully, surrounded by many of his posterity at the Timpanogos Regional Hospital, in Orem, Utah. George was born on October 31, 1932 in Erie, Pennsylvania. George was the eldest of three children born to George and Flora Church. Together with his wife Darlene (deceased in 2016), George raised five children: Cindy (Ryan), Russell (Karen), Tracy (Ted), Steve (Bonnie), and Brian (Traci). George was the proud Grandfather to 21, and Great Grandfather to 40.

George attended Harborcreek High School, in Harborcreek, PA (graduated 1950), where he played baseball, and was the Jr. Class President. George attended Brigham Young University, where he fell in love with the love of his life, Darlene. George and Darlene were married in the Manti, Utah temple in 1954. George later attended USC, where he earned a Masters in Public Administration. George was also honorably discharged from the United States Air Force as a pilot, and officer, reaching the rank of Captain. George retained a lifelong love of flying and anything related to airplanes.

George loved the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and was a student of all things to do with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. George held many leadership positions including twice as Bishop, and as a Counselor in a Stake Presidency. George and Darlene served three missions. They served in Toronto, Nauvoo, and at the Home Storage Center in Lindon, Utah. They also served in four temples: Seattle, Mesa, Timpanogos, and Nauvoo. George served as a Sealer in the Timpanogos temple.

George was loved by many, was an example to all, and will be missed profoundly.

In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that a donation be made to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints General Missionary Fund.

A private family graveside service with Military Honors will be held Friday, June 12th at the Pleasant Grove City Cemetery.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

Cemetery

Pleasant Grove City Cemetery

600 North 100 West

Pleasant Grove, UT, 84062

Comments



“ I just heard about George's death. I'm very sad that I just found. George & Darlene were great neighbors & fine people. I just chatted with George recently a few times while he was out front early evening watching one bright star that seemed fascinating to him. He was so cute out there every night lately watching this star. He will be missed as a fine next right next door to the East. My condolences to the family for the loss of both parents since 2016.
It will never be the same not having him there.

Teri & Haley (daughter) Finch

Teri Baum Finch - June 19 at 04:58 PM



“ So kind of you. We shared some time together looking at that star. He is my brother, and I know he loved his neighbors. Thank you!

Elsie Call - June 27 at 11:56 AM



“ We at Murdock Hyundai Loved George dearly, He will be greatly Missed..

Brete at Murdock Hyundai - June 18 at 07:34 PM



“ So grateful for Bro. Church and his dear wife. I served with them at Mt Timp Temple and they both were the kindest souls. I remember seeing Bro. Church at the store one day after his sweet wife had passed away and he told me that he loves his temple family. It was a privilege to serve in the temple with them. Prayers for the family.

Lori Sume - June 17 at 03:08 PM



“ George was the first one to greet us when we moved into the Orchard Ward and became a wonderful friend. We're going to miss him.
Keith and Irene Anderson

keith - June 12 at 10:21 PM



“ Serve with Brother Church for several years in the Timpanogos Temple During this time he was a shift coordinator. Great servant of the Lord

Sherman Larson - June 12 at 03:30 PM



“ George was a special friend as we served together at the Timp. Temple. He was "warm, curious and authentic" and a Christlike leader as a shift coordinator, and eventually a sealer. When Reesa and I were called to servie in the Nauvoo Temple, he took time to share his experience when he and Darlene served there. We often met on Tuesday nights in the temple cafeteria to share "a thing or two". I will miss him as one I consider an eternal friend.

Phil Boren - June 11 at 11:03 PM



“ George loved his family and grandchildren. It was wonderful to hear him tell how he rearranged his church service so he could spend time with his family. Family is everything.

D Seely - June 11 at 04:15 PM



“ We met George and Darlene when we replaced them as missionaries in Canada. Later, they stopped for a visit when in Utah for family business. Darlene saw a For Sale sign on the lovely home across the street. In short order, they were new neighbors and great friends. George was gregarious and made numerous friends as he served them, irrespective of their station in life. We have had serious and lingering illnesses. George visited and uplifted countless times in a hospital, care center or home. Always bright and happy, his ubiquitous smile always blessed lives just from seeing him. His legacy has been indelibly inscribed in the family he and Darlene produced. The Lord will surely bless him for his goodness as he faithfully kept his sacred covenants boldly and faithfully. While he is already missed in mortality, he is likely seamlessly engaged in organizing whatever assignment the Lord has given him in Paradise! Thanks, George, for the memories.

Dennis and JoAnne Wilson

Dennis and JoAnne Wilson - June 11 at 02:21 PM



“ I'm really sad to read this. He was my client for the last 4 years at Sport clips in Lindon. He was there once a month and I could always count on a great story. He was always so kind to me and I will miss him more than you could know
Alicia Nugent

Alicia Nugent-Mendez - June 10 at 11:14 PM



“ My husband has been a minister to George these last couple of years, but I think George served us more than we ever served him. He would buy his milk at Costco and bring one of the gallons to us, because he couldn't use two gallons. We just finished our last of George's milk. He is a wonderful man the I will miss dearly. I am glad he is reunited with Darlene! He has missed her very much. Also, I still want to know how he received his big scar along his jaw bone. He told me twice that he would have to tell me another time and never did.

Karla Kennedy (& Jack)

Karla Kennedy - June 09 at 11:55 PM



“ He help with are finances and was a friend to Lloyd

Bonnie - June 10 at 06:34 PM



“ George was a great neighbor and a wonderful friend. Our driveways faced each other so we saw a lot of each other. He was always ready with a helping hand. Following my knee surgery he insisted on driving me to the therapist for several weeks. He and I also worked the same sealing shift at the temple where he was greatly loved and respected by everyone. He will be missed by countless friends who love and admire him. So long George. I was looking forward to saluting your taps. I will whistle it to myself Friday morning while I think of you. Olani Durrant

Olani Durrant - June 11 at 01:33 PM



“ Karla, he was in a really bad car accident while he was in the Air Force and cut his face during the accident- shortly after he was married.

Ashley - July 29 at 11:18 PM



“ George was such an incredible man to have in our lives. He was so thoughtful and brought so much joy to us. He showed us his home one day and James and I loved seeing pictures of his beautiful wife, his kids, and his many grandchildren. He loved showing us pictures from his trip to France a few years ago and had amazing stories to share. He had so much love for our family and was a devoted ministering brother. He would stop by on Sundays with a message and loved to give high fives to my little girl. I feel so blessed to have known him over the years and we will miss him dearly.



Sullivan Reber - June 09 at 11:16 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Brian Church - June 09 at 08:00 PM



“ Love you Uncle George I remember our talks when you would come to visit & that million dollar smile of yours ! I love you Happy that you are now w your love Aunt Darlene

robyn nielson - June 09 at 04:15 PM



“ What a dear friend of the Carder family. Loren and Carolyn served with George and Darlene at many different times in church together. We love this family and we kept in touch thru the years. We will miss him, but know we have been blessed by his friendship. May his family be comforted to know he is with his sweet Darlene now.

Carolyn Carder - June 09 at 04:12 PM



“ We will miss our sweet brother-in law. I met George many years ago when I went to spend a weekend at BYU with my sister Darlene. I was young and still in high school and was so excited to meet her new boyfriend. In walked George wearing his ROTC uniform. Wow! He was so handsome and “dreamy” as any teenage girl would think. The first thing I noticed was his gorgeous smile and the crinkle in his eyes. I loved him then and love him now. I’m so happy that Darlene is once again with her forever sweetheart

Gerri Nielson - June 09 at 05:43 PM



“ I met George a couple years ago. I always liked talking with him at church. He would often come up to me and ask hows that missionary. Then we would talk for a few minutes. George was a good man and I will miss seeing and talking with him.

Bob Sarkady - June 09 at 09:13 AM