



Nile Bezzant

February 14, 1945 - May 4, 2017

Our beloved father, grandfather and friend Nile Bezzant passed away at his home on Thursday, May 4, 2017, in Pleasant Grove, UT at the age of 72 after a long battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Nile is survived by his wife, Darlene Taylor Bezzant, sons Shawn (Marianne) and Deon (Cheryl), sisters Merle (Jim) Cullimore, LaRee (Doug) Squire, brother in law Royce Branning, twelve grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents Floyd & Virginia Gray Bezzant, his brother Paul, sisters Fae and Joyce, his daughter Angel Dawn and his grandson Zachary.

Nile was born on February 14, 1945 in American Fork, UT. He grew up in Lindon and attended Pleasant Grove High School. After high school Nile enlisted in the United States Navy and served for 4 years during the Vietnam War aboard the USS Coral Sea. After his service, he married Darlene Taylor. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Provo, UT LDS temple. In 2016, they celebrated their 50th anniversary. They raised their sons in Pleasant Grove.

Nile worked in various professions during his life. He was a truck driver, steelworker, and an installation manager for a civil engineering firm. He loved fishing and tinkering with his truck. He was quiet man with an infectious laugh and a passion for life. He loved his family, his country and the Chicago Cubs. He will be missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of a funeral, the family will host an open viewing and memorial in Nile's honor on Thursday, May 11th from 6pm – 8pm at Utah Valley Mortuary, 1966 West 700 North, Lindon, UT 84042. We invite all who knew Nile to come and pay their final respects. A family graveside service will be held the following day at Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Military Honors rendered by the U.S. Navy.

Cemetery

Events

Pleasant Grove City Cemetery

600 North 100 West

Pleasant Grove, UT, 84062

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Viewing

06:00PM - 08:00PM

Utah Valley Mortuary

1966 West 700 North, Lindon, UT, US, 84042

Comments



“ Nile Deon Bezzant lit a candle in memory of Nile Bezzant



Nile Deon Bezzant - May 11, 2017 at 12:06 AM



“ DAD

I just want to thank you for putting your life on the line for me, and the rest of the family during your service to our country. You're a true American hero. I have always been proud of you. So many times, the true heroes of this country go about their lives with little or no recognition. I love you, and so does the rest of my family. I think of you every day and pray that God will have his hand on you. I will never forget what you have done for us. I want you to know that we truly appreciate it.

You and I were talking about some of the coolest things you saw while you were in the navy, I remember you saying Sydney harbor was one of your favorites.

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I know growing up on the farm you worked hard and when Shawn and I were young you worked even harder to support us and mom. You allowed me to grow, good or bad. I hope that for the more part I made you proud. Please keep fighting to get your health better. We want you around for a longer time.

Happy Fathers Day

love, Deon & family

COURAGE - is being scared to death, but saddling up anyway.

-- John Wayne --

Fathers Day 2016

Nile truly loved the classic western and John Wayne

Nile Deon Bezzant - May 11, 2017 at 12:03 AM



“ Aunt Darlene-

Nile lived a full life. He came from very humble beginnings. He rode a horse rather than drive a car. He saw the world while in the Navy. He had his unhappy places in life like we all do. He was so happy and proud when you & he were able to solemnize your marriage in the Temple. I saw a calmer more at peace Nile.

Over the next while you are going to find things tucked away in drawers, or a card that fell down behind the couch-A forgotten Christmas Present that was never used, maybe a note that was scrawled on a piece of paper in his handwriting, the sock that has been gone for months will suddenly show up. Don't be sad when you find these things-Think of them as the gifts Nile left for you to find. Little things to remind you he loved you and shared a life time with you.

We are so blessed to have the Plan of Salvation. To know and understand that there is another life and place that we will be all together again without the ills and strife of this world. I hope this knowledge will give you peace and strength to do and handle the things ahead.

Love you very much,
Berta

Roberta Saxton - May 09, 2017 at 07:03 AM



“ After Grampa Bezzant died-there was some questions that needed to be answered about Grampa & Grandma Bezzant's property that made it necessary to visit Utah County Records in Provo. Of course Nile didn't want to go by himself and wanted my mom (Joyce) to go with him. My mom could not logistically make it from Salt Lake to Provo after work before everything closed. So I volunteered to go with Nile to Provo. It took several trips because everything didn't match on the records. I got to spend time with my Uncle Nile as I never had before. We laughed and I learned he had a sense of humor and GOVERNMENT RULES drove him crazy!!! He had in his mind that 1 person could answer our questions-I drug him cussing out of more than 1 office. I will really miss my Uncle Nile-I loved him very much!
Roberta Meldrum Saxton

Roberta Saxton - May 07, 2017 at 08:20 PM