



Odell Christensen

September 30, 1918 - October 4, 2014

Lars Odell Christensen lived 96 incredible years before he passed away on October 4, 2014. He was born September 30, 1918 in Chesterfield Idaho to Harris and Robenia Bodily Christensen.

The fourth of eight children, Odell learned how to love, work hard, and play on his family's farm. Odell was the first member of his family to attend college. He attended BYU where he graduated Magna Cum Laud with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Accounting. While at BYU he met Margaret June West while performing at a Janie Thompson assembly. The women lined up on one side and the men lined up on the other. They were paired off and Odell was paired to June. They were soon married and just over a year later moved to California where Odell earned his Certified Public Accounting certificate. They stayed in California five years working for an accounting firm. Odell and June returned to Orem Utah, where Odell began his work for the United States Steel Company in their internal auditing department traveling to Europe, South Africa, and South America. He was transferred to Pittsburgh PA where he headed the Eastern Area Auditing Department. Odell would focus his life in three areas – his dedication to his faith in God, his love of hard work, and his love of family. Odell served faithfully in many callings for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was an example of those ideals he believed. He was happiest when he was working, but especially when that work involved helping and serving others. He never thought of himself.

Odell and June have seven children– Lars, deceased (Janielle Hildbrant), Susan (Ralph Ryser), Karen (Bruce Haslam), Judy (David Keller), Mark (Wendy Gideon), Paul, and Janis (Joe Fetters). His children will always remember how much they loved working, skiing, playing and just being with him. Odell is survived by his wife, June Christensen; sister, Gail Gardner; and brother Clyde Christensen.

Funeral Services will held on Saturday, October 11th at the Cascade 4th Ward, 1051 East 200 North, Orem, Utah, at 12:00 p.m., you may visit with the family prior to services from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

Cemetery

Orem City Cemetery

1520 North 800 East

Orem, UT, 84097

Events

OCT 11 Visitation 10:30AM - 11:30AM

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OCT 11 Funeral Service 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Cascade 4th Ward

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Comments



“ Please accept our deepest sympathy in the loss of your husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Odell was the supreme example of Christ-like living ~ so kind, loving, selfless service to others. May memories of the joyous times you shared with him help to ease the pain of loss. Our love, John and Sharon Wilkins

Sharon Wilkins - October 11, 2014 at 11:31 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with June as well as the family members. Having recently lost my eternal companion, life will be full of both blessed memories and empty loneliness. Stay close to your family, continue to make memories, stay strong, love each other. June you and ODell have raised a wonderful family they work'll be your rock and support. I leave these feelings with love. Beckie Olson

Beckie Olson - October 11, 2014 at 01:25 AM