



## William "Bill" Gordon Clawson

January 25, 1934 - August 12, 2021

William Gordon Clawson, age 87, passed away in Pleasant Grove, Utah on Thursday, August 12, 2021.

He was born in Ogden, Utah to John and Nina May Clawson and was the first of three children. Bill married Kay Bingham and they raised three daughters (Marci, Maura and Michelle) in San Jose, CA from 1960 to 1995. Bill was an educator by trade and enjoyed teaching history to students in high school. Bill earned a master's degree in education and served as a vice-principal at several junior high schools around San Jose. He spoke fondly of his time serving in administration and described his favorite job as being principal of an elementary school. In 1979 he switched to residential real estate and finished his career as a realtor.

After Kay's passing in 1993, Bill returned to Ogden, Utah to be closer to his sister, Annette Torkelson and their mother, Nina. He returned to the name of his childhood, Gordon, and married an old grade school friend, Rae Bohn Pyper. They moved to Chandler, Arizona where they resided in Sun Lakes golfing community. When he wasn't golfing, Gordon loved meeting up with his friends for lunch. He moved to Utah County in 2018 where he resided near family who provided loving care until his passing.

Bill/Gordon was preceded in death by his first wife, Kay; his daughter, Marcia; his parents, John and Nina; and brother, John. He is survived by his second wife, Rae; his daughters, Maura Stolk (Jeff) and Michelle Reed (Ron); his sister, Annette; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

# Comments

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## “ Memories of Gordon Clawson, Part 2

by Toni Smedley, Cory Clawson, Nicole Clawson Enz

When Marcia was planning to marry in Las Vegas, Gordon was a great Dad and made it a special day for the couple.

A few years ago Gordon gave Cory, Nicole, and Gina's families a nativity for Christmas. These nativities are treasured and displayed every Christmas by them. At that time he said and felt that he hadn't been a good enough uncle. We all disagree and felt that he had been a great example of how to live a caring and honorable life. May he know of our love until we meet again.

( I can't remember the details but I was asked to speak at your mom's funeral... maybe he asked me. It was scary but a great honor. I loved your parents and love you too. I was at your home when you were on your mission and read your missionary letters that your mom had in a special box.) thanks again for taking us around in Washington DC... one of our traveling highlights.)

(Maura asked me to post this for her from an email from her aunt)

**Jeana** - August 20 at 09:29 PM