

JEARL WOODFORD LISONBEE



November 13, 1921 ~ February 18, 2012

Jearl Woodford Lisonbee, our beloved husband, father and grandfather passed away on February 18, 2013 at the Utah Valley Regional Medical Center. He was surrounded by his wife of 70 years, Falene, his five children and his best friend Don. He was born November 13, 1921 in Mesa, Arizona to Joseph Earl Lisonbee and Norma Effie Rogers. All of his childhood was spent in Mesa on a small farm. He served in the Air Force in World War II. He served two years in India and Kunming, China. He was stationed in Tucson, Arizona and would go home on weekends. That's where he met his sweetheart Falene. They were married in the Mesa, Arizona Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on May 14, 1942. In his last days he wanted Falene right by his side and would light up when he saw her or heard her voice. He told her over and over how beautiful she was and how much he loved her.

In 1950 Jearl earned his bachelor's degree at Arizona State College. Then he and Falene moved to Fontana, California where he taught the 4th grade. He then went to Cal State Los Angeles and earned a Master's degree in Education Administration. He became the principle of Oleander Elementary School in Fontana, California. He was a principal there until he retired. Jearl and Falene moved to Pleasant Grove, Utah in 1993. He did some substitute teaching in the upper grades at schools close to his home. He would always start the classes he taught by reading a joke out of the Readers Digest. The students loved him and honored him at a special recognition where he received a standing ovation. Jearl loved to build and was an expert in construction. He could build or fix anything. He loved to fish, swim, and go to lunch with his best friend Don Hainsworth. He loved spending time with his family. He and his wife Falene would have anywhere from 20 to 40 family members to their house for dinner every Sunday afternoon.

He was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He gave a lifetime of service to his church, family, friends and neighbors. He served as Young Men's President, Sunday School President, Bishopric Counselor, Bishop, High Councilor, and temple worker in the church.

Jearl is survived by his wife Falene and his five children; Jearldene Ellsworth, Judy Gillman, Greg Lisonbee, Mary Ann Wright, Terri Ann Breinholt, 24 grandchildren,

and 31 great grandchildren.

There will be a viewing at Olpin Family Mortuary, 494 South 300 East, Pleasant Grove, Utah on Thursday, February 28, 2013 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. Funeral service will be held Friday, March 1, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Grove Creek Fourth Ward Chapel, 942 North 500 East, Pleasant Grove. Family and friends may attend a viewing from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. prior to the services. Interment will be in the Veterans Memorial Park Cemetery, 17111 Camp Williams Road, Bluffdale, Utah. Military honors will be by the American Legion Post 72.

We all love you so much Dad! Love is forever! We will miss you! Until we meet again!

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.olpinmortuary.com