



## Arden Woolley Leigh

January 17, 1934 - February 2, 2018

A great heart was stilled this week with the passing of Arden Woolley Leigh, 84, of St. George, Utah on February 2, 2018. Born in Cedar City, Utah, on January 17, 1934, Arden was the son of George Hunter Leigh and Iona Woolley Leigh. He grew up in Mesa, Arizona, and spent four years in the Navy before he was called as an LDS missionary to Toronto, Canada. After his mission he met Margaret Laney and they were married in the St. George Temple on August, 23, 1961.

Arden received a bachelor's degree in Sociology from BYU and a Masters of Social Work from the University of Utah. His career was in child welfare administration both in Arizona and in Pennsylvania. Arden was known for his kindness, making sure that foster kids for which his agency was responsible had needed extras like a piano for a musical prodigy and a prom gown for a young lady elected to the homecoming court. These were arranged through private donations which kind people knew Arden would put to good use.

Arden is survived by his wife, Dr. Margaret Laney Leigh and their six children: Dr. Nanette Leigh of Phoenix, Arizona, Dr. Darren Leigh of Roundhill, Virginia, Dr. Nathan Leigh of Rolla, Missouri, Dr. Spencer Leigh of Starkville, Mississippi, Dr. Angela Leigh Beeler of Worcester, Massachusetts, and Dr. Clifton Leigh of Somerville, Massachusetts, along with a sister, Dorene Leigh Funk of Overton, Nevada, and 19 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by

his parents.

Arden donated regularly to a number of charities. Those who wish to honor him with similar donations instead of flowers are welcome to do so.

Arden's funeral will be held Saturday, February 10, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cotton Acres LDS Chapel, 2583 East 350 North, St. George, Utah. A visitation will be held from 9:00 to 9:45 prior to the service. Burial with military honors will follow at the St. George City Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## St George City Cemetery

600 E Tabernacle  
St George, UT 84770

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (MT)

Cotton Acres LDS Chapel  
2583 E. 350 N.  
St. George, UT

## Service

FEB 10. 10:00 AM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

MK

“ I am very sorry, Margaret. You were a lucky person to have had him all of these years.

*Warmest Regards, Michael H Knorr*

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**Michael Knorr** - February 17, 2018 at 04:04 PM

LB

“ I am a Mesa High School classmate of Arden's. We had several classes together and I remember him for his integrity and warm personality. He clearly succeeded in his achievements academically and spiritually. My condolences to his family.

*Larry Bluth*

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**Larry Bluth** - February 14, 2018 at 10:23 AM



Annalea  
Kendell

“ I am a cousin to Arden. Our mothers, Iona and Marguerett are sisters. We had never lived in the same city until St. George, Utah. However, I found Arden and Margaret here. I don't remember how we connected. I think it was at the Family History Center on St George Blvd.

We had great fun with Verl and Denise, Mason, Craig & Kim, Darren & Katie, Arlo & Sharon, and of course Arden & Margaret. We usually met at the Golden Corral as it is the only place in town that has enough room for all of us. There are other family members too numerous to mention.

Loved his sense of humor and loving personality. I am a widow and he never missed a time to give me a hug and it was so much appreciated.

I look forward to seeing him in the Spirit World and associating with him in the eternities.

Love you all

Annalea Pearce Kendell

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**Annalea Kendell** - February 07, 2018 at 10:59 PM

VL

I was blessed to have Arden become my brother when he married my sister. He was always wise, kind and patient. I miss him, and look forward to seeing him again.

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**Victoria Laney** - March 22, 2023 at 03:28 AM