



## George "Mark" Marcus Taggart

November 18, 1935 - November 18, 2024

In Loving Memory of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart

St. George, UT - George Marcus Taggart (Mark) passed away peacefully at home on his birthday, November 18, 2024, at the age of 89. He was born on November 18, 1935, in Lewiston, Utah to Marcus Lindsay Taggart and Wilda Mae Kearn. He married his sweetheart Joan McDonald in the Logan Temple on March 17, 1961. Mark served his country as a member of the Utah National Guard obtaining the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Mark was raised in Smithfield, UT, attending North Cache High School. He graduated from Utah State University, majoring in accounting. This is where he met his sweetheart Joan. He was employed by the US Forest Service for 30 years and served on the Ogden Government Employees Credit Union Board of Directors for many years. The family lived in Brigham City, UT until Mark's retirement. They then relocated to St. George, UT which they have called home for 32 years. They loved the beauty of the red rocks as they enjoyed their active lifestyle, taking walks together every day.

Mark worked several years as a driver for the St. George Shuttle, where he enjoyed meeting many new and interesting people from all over the world.

Mark was a dedicated member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served a full-time mission in the North Central States Mission, sharing the gospel and helping others. Throughout his life, he held many leadership positions in the Church, including Bishop.

He served in the St. George Temple in the cafeteria, gaining notoriety for his

delicious bread.

Some of their most treasured memories included serving with the Special Needs Mutual, where they made many lasting friendships. They served as missionaries in the welfare department overseeing the dry-pack cannery. Mark and Joan are known for their selfless service and unwavering devotion to family, church, and community. Mark found joy in spending time with his loved ones, especially during family gatherings and special occasions. They were the epitome of love and devotion, rarely being separated and loving every minute they spent together over their 63 years of marriage.

Mark leaves behind his loving wife, Joan. Together they had seven children: Lisa (Theo), Lori (Keith), James (Tauni), Jeff (Tiffini), Lynette (Mark), Janalee (Gary), Jeremy (Starlyn). He was a beloved grandfather to 25 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Peggy Salisbury. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joan's parents, Delmont and Alice McDonald, two brothers-in-law, Grant Salisbury and Scott McDonald and a nephew, Nathan McDonald.

Funeral services will take place on Monday, November 25, 2024, at noon in the Bloomington Hills 1st Ward located at 1130 E Brigham Rd, St. George UT. A viewing will be held before the funeral from 10:30am to 11:40am. Interment will be held at the Smithfield Cemetery in Smithfield, UT on Monday, December 2, 2024, at 11:00am. The funeral services will be broadcast via a Zoom meeting: (<https://zoom.us/j/97603015486>)

We are grateful for all the love, prayers, and support from his wonderful neighbors and friends during this difficult time. Special thanks to Dr. Thomas Jones and the dedicated caregivers at Intermountain Homecare/Hospice who made his last days more comfortable. Mark will be sorely missed but not forgotten.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at [www.SerenityStG.com](http://www.SerenityStG.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Smithfield Cemetery

Smithfield, UT

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV 25. 10:30 AM - 11:40 AM (MT)

Bloomington Hills Stake Center  
1130 E Brigham Rd  
St. George, UT 84790  
(801) 560-0353

## Funeral Service

NOV 25. 12:00 PM (MT)

Bloomington Hills Stake Center  
1130 E Brigham Rd  
St. George, UT 84790  
(801) 560-0353

## Burial

DEC 2. 11:00 AM (MT)

Smithfield City Cemetery  
300 E Center St  
Smithfield, UT 84335  
(435) 563-6226



# Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Webcast in memory of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - November 21, 2024 at 01:43 PM



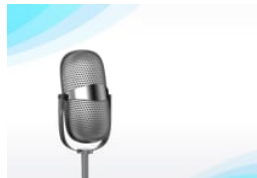
“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.*



November 26, 2024 at 12:34 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Audio Recording*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - November 25, 2024 at 04:06 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.*



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November 22, 2024 at 07:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.

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November 22, 2024 at 07:05 PM



“ *Your grandkids purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.*



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**Your grandkids** - November 22, 2024 at 06:18 PM



“ *Dave and Carol Bishop Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.*

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**Dave and Carol Bishop Family** - November 22, 2024 at 11:31 AM

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“ Dave and Carol Bishop Family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.



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**Dave and Carol Bishop Family** - November 22, 2024 at 11:31 AM

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“ Annaliese, Jessica, and Mindy purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.



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**Annaliese, Jessica, and Mindy** - November 22, 2024 at 12:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.

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November 21, 2024 at 08:21 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.



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November 21, 2024 at 08:21 PM

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“ Marc was a quiet giant. He loved unconditionally..his love for Joanie my friend was like no other and hers for him. We will be sorely missed. Marc I promise to take care of Joanie. Fly with the angels in heaven and we know you will be here guardian angel

Love Shari Summerhays ❤️

Shari Summerhays - November 21, 2024 at 08:20 PM

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“ Love Brent McDonald Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.

Love Brent McDonald Family - November 21, 2024 at 07:45 PM

LF

“ Love Brent McDonald Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.



Love Brent McDonald Family - November 21, 2024 at 07:45 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of George "Mark" Marcus Taggart.



November 21, 2024 at 03:33 PM