

## Leslie Dixon Paul

November 30, 1932 - February 28, 2019

1932 ~ 2019 Our beloved Leslie Dixon Paul, age 86, of St. George Utah, University of Utah professor extraordinaire, took his final exam, passed with flying colors and graduated from this life on February 28, 2019. He was surrounded by his adoring family. Dixon, (as he was known by) was not only a lifelong learner, he was a lifelong teacher. Teaching speech pathology to graduate students in the classroom was his passion however he also loved teaching patients at the VA hospital during his employment there, how to regain their voices after strokes or surgery. He also facilitated the wonderful American Cancer Society support group known as New Voices, where he helped many people learn to speak again.

Dixon loved the University of Utah. After serving in Japan during the Korean War, Dixon attend the U of U where graduated with his bachelor degree. He then went on to earn his Masters's degree in speech pathology (also at the U) and to complete his academic journey he attended Stanford University earning his PhD in the same field. Dixon had the amazing privilege of teaching students in Australia. He and his wife Carol moved down-under for over two years were he was a professor in a college near Sydney. They traveled extensively throughout that amazing country and this became the highlight of both their lives. After retirement his thirst for knowledge was quenched through his membership in the Dixie State University's ICL (Institute for Continued Learning) program where he was not only a student but also a

teacher. He was an avid reader throughout his entire life.

Dixon was a kind, loving, humble, humorous and generous man. He never said a mean or negative thing about anyone, he was the most non-judgmental person any of us had the privilege to know. He was married in the Salt Lake LDS temple to his sweetheart Carol, their marriage was just two weeks shy of 63 years. They were true soul mates. Dixon was an active member of the LDS church.

He is already missed dearly by not only his wife Carol but his daughter Suzanne (Gary), his grandson Andrew (Bayli), granddaughter Courtney, grandson Shae, three great grandchildren, two sisters (Jeanne and Jinnah), close friend Rose and special niece Lori along with many other dear nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his son Gary, sister Afton and his loving parents Leslie Joshua Paul and Viola Paul.

A tremendous thank you goes out to the Dixie Regional Medical Center's amazing and skilled medical staff for the beautiful and loving care they gave Dixon throughout his brief illness. In lieu of flowers please feel free to donate to the American Cancer Society, an organization that was highly valued by Dixon throughout his career, in his honor.

Dixon, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for gracing our lives with your beautiful soul, we are all better people because of you and your shining light. You touched the hearts of everyone who met you. A celebration of Dixon's life will be held for family in the summer.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I will always remember Dixon as a kind, humble and generous man with a delightful sense of humor. It was the consummate professional respected by his colleagues and patients alike. I missed him when he retired from the VA and was fortunate enough to renew our friendship when we retired to St. George. I know that he will be watching over us.*

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**Dianna M. Smith** - March 08, 2019 at 11:20 PM

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**Rosanna Gledhill** - March 04, 2019 at 10:50 PM

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*What amazing memories....Dixon brought so much love into our lives!!!! He was an AMAZING uncle!!!!*

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**Rosanna Gledhill** - March 04, 2019 at 10:52 PM

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*Oh Lori! You always made him smile!!!*

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**Suzanne** - March 07, 2019 at 10:36 AM

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*Dixion Paul was my friend at East High School in Salt Lake City in the class of 1951. He was our class president, which illustrates the respect his classmates held for him. I associated with him in several studentbody activities. When he and Carol moved to St. George, they participated in the Colleagues of the Dixie Faculty meetings and we chatted there. I also visited him at home several times. Dixon's father, Dr. Leslie J. Paul, a cousin to Elaine's mother, delivered all eight children in the Hamer and Beth Reiser family. Our family has always loved being a part of the Paul family.*

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**Doug Alder** - March 08, 2019 at 01:20 PM

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**Rosanna Gledhill** - March 04, 2019 at 10:45 PM

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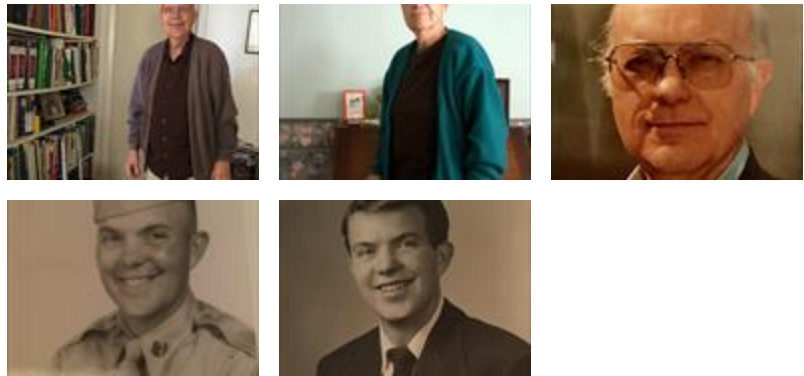


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**Rosanna Gledhill** - March 04, 2019 at 10:37 PM



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**Front Desk** - March 04, 2019 at 12:10 PM