



Nicholas Redmond Wahrer

April 18, 1924 - October 20, 2016

In honor of Nicholas Redmond Wahrer Sr., age 92 resident of Enoch, Utah passed away on October 20, 2016. Born April 18, 1924 in Brooklyn, New York. Caring and loving husband to Mary P. McLeod Wahrer (deceased). Son of John and Elizabeth Wahrer (deceased). Brother to 3 sisters (one surviving sister) and 3 brothers each who had served during the WWII effort. Father to Nicholas R. Wahrer Jr (Billie), Lawrence S J Wahrer (Brenda), Patrick A. Wahrer, Linda C. Wahrer and Donna M. Green (Douglas). Grandfather to 17 and great-grandfather to 48. He deeply loved all of his family and took his position of family patriarch seriously.

Nicholas had wonderful experiences of growing up in Brooklyn. He worked at a young age and rubbed shoulders with great people that turned out to be wonderful mentors for him. He joined the army to help the WWII cause. It was during his service time as a Cryptographic Radio operator in Canada where he met our mother. She often said she fell in love with his voice first as she could hear him singing in the next room. She was a Canadian civilian operator for the U.S. Army. After they were married and moved to the States she eagerly and proudly became a US citizen.

Nicholas was the last surviving member of his siblings to have served his country honorably. He had 3 sons serve in the Vietnam War and currently 5 grandsons that have or still are serving in the military. Our "love of country"

was instilled in us throughout our life and they were a beautiful example of true patriots. They anxiously became involved in the P.O.W. effort during the Vietnam era. They hung our US flag properly and proudly and taught us by example to be politically involved.

His schooling and work took them from N.Y. to Seattle in the early years of their marriage where he obtained his Bachelor's degree in education. He worked and studied continually to provide for his family and it was in Seattle where Nicholas came in contact with the missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was baptized. They settled again in N.Y. for many years before moving to Idaho, Texas, then Utah to be close to their children. They endured the Teton Dam flood, lost everything but found resilience to start over again while living in Idaho where he loved to garden, taught architecture blue print reading and oversaw construction sites. Their move to Texas brought him opportunity to oversee the construction of new homes and he became a member of the Grand Lodge of Texas Masons and was a Master Mason. He loved to be a part of the wonderful service the Masons did in regards to Shriner Hospitals. Their move to Utah brought them to their final years where they enjoyed some travel and rest. They have always had a special place in their heart for our furry friends and taught their children and grandchildren to care for them. It wasn't unusual to see a new cat or dog that was adopted into the family. Often times as his children we could hear our father singing, playing his harmonica or for entertainment playing the spoons and gather around and watch old family slides. How we enjoyed those times! He enjoyed making Sunday dinner and always made extra. Mom and dad worked tirelessly together in the kitchen to make wonderful holiday meals that so many could enjoy. Our home was always open to the missionaries, friends and family.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Nov. 2 at the Homestead Chapel 1390 East Midvalley Road, Enoch, Utah. Visitation will be 10:00 am to 10:45.

Service will be 11:00. We thank all those who have cared and loved our pop.

Until we meet again.

Cemetery Details

Enoch City Cemetery

1580 Sunrise Drive
Enoch, UT 84721

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Enoch
1390 E Midvalley Rd
Enoch, UT 84721

Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ Miss your sense of humor dad...also miss how you'd always go to the Jewish bakery every Sunday after church and get those superb yummy baked goods.

I will always remember how we were members of the original Long Island Lyric Opera Co. at Post College...and how you and I would sing the Indian Love Song and mum would crack up as she attempted to record it because I couldn't get the oooo ooooo oooo right...You and mother gave us all such great memories of laughter...your spoon playing, harmonic playing, mum's singing through the house...she had quite the voice but you & I couldn't convince her to sing with the group...lol

AND how you poked your head out of the dining room window just as my date, one of Larry's buddies from boot camp, was about to kiss me goodnight...lol...you stuck your head out with your glasses on crooked and hair messed up and goofy teeth and said ... "oh, hello!" I laughed so hard but my date took off and I never saw or heard from him again...lol...

Thanks dad for always giving us laughter and loving our grandchildren and giving them such wonderful memories of you being Santa Clause every year...Hope you and your honey bunny will be laughing together in heaven...oh...and would ya leave the porch light on, as you always did, for when we come home? ... I know you both will...love you both...Linda

Linda C Wahrer - November 01, 2016 at 04:12 PM


Pamela
Starling

“ *I miss you and love you Grandpa ♡ May you and Grandma RIP..... I still watch our Laurel and Hardy movies, remembering how much you loved it when we sat cuddled on the sofa eating popcorn together.*

Pamela Starling - November 01, 2016 at 08:24 AM

TC

“*Mary and Nick Wahrer have always been a loving part of my life, since I was 16 years old. They were my second Mom and Dad, and I am forever thankful to have known them and been a part of their family. They were the most generous, fun couple and the best parents and grandparents anyone could have. I have so many wonderful memories of family reunions and celebrations. I have been inspired by both of them in the raising of my own family. A visit to their home was comfortable, enjoyable, and memorable always.*

Just one of the many memories I'd like to share of Dad: When we were having our home built in Arlington, Dad and I were in charge of the construction together, and I learned so much from him about the procedures, costs, the permits involved. Picking out the colors, brick, floor coverings, built ins, doors, landscape, etc were a challenge, and he guided me through the whole way to the completion of our task, always explaining each step. He was so patient. I use that knowledge to this day.

When I think of Mom and Dad now, I think of them dancing, happy and hugging. I will miss you both so much, but you will never be forgotten. You both have been an inspiration to our whole family, and I love you. Terry

Terry Cummings - October 31, 2016 at 08:09 PM

NR

“ I'll always have a special place in my heart for Nick and Mary! I met them at church in NY 50 yrs ago, I was best friends with Their daughter Donna! I grew up spending a lot of time at the Wahrer house, especially on Sundays after church we looked forward to the wonderful meals! Nick was a great listener and I learned a lot from him over the years especially about our country and the importance of our Military. He often got frustrated with Donna and I during our silly teen years, we would often wake him after a church dance! I will for ever be grateful for this man, when along with his son Larry gave a special blessing to our oldest child (Jennifer) in 1971 got a severe staph infection and we were told she was going to die, after this blessing we got amazing news from a specialist that she had a good chance of survival with proper treatment! Today she is a healthy 45yo and a mother of 8. We knew that priesthood blessing relieved us of our nightmare! Love you pop, hope you had a great reunion with your beautiful wife! Till we meet again! Norma & Mike

Norma Ryan - October 31, 2016 at 07:13 PM

KA

I will be thinking of the Wahrer family as you gather together to celebrate the life of your father . To say goodbye for a time bit to have the opportunity to cherish what has passed and also what is to come. Love to all that mourn this loss Kathy Ashby esp Larry who always had a kind heart in my behalf.

Kathy Ashby - November 01, 2016 at 10:23 AM