



Ronald Lamar Runnells

October 21, 1932 - February 17, 2016

Ronald Lamar Runnells passed away at home on February 17, 2016 in Mesquite, NV at the age of 83.

Ronald was born to the late Ralph Leroy Runnells and Darlene Fuller in Eureka, UT on October 21, 1932. Ronald was a loving husband, father and grandfather who will be greatly missed. He married the late Dian Spencer May 20, 1960, the late Patsy Ann Jensen November 28, 1970; and is survived by his wife Joyce Brown Runnells, married January 14, 2006.

Ronald is survived by his children; Dana Runnells, Lori Knudsen (Ivan), Jill Blair (Jerry), Jean Loader (Kent), David Runnells (Debbie), Rhonda Melvin (Scott), Dawn Bernard (James), Marta Beaudry (Kent), Christopher Runnells (Sariah); his step-children Patty, Suzan and David; his sister Shirley Simmons; niece Susan Gohn; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was blessed with a large posterity.

Ronald played football for the University of Utah and graduated with a degree in Political Science in 1954. He had a long and successful career as a claims superintendent for State Farm Insurance. He was a veteran who was proud of his military service as a Captain in the Air Force. Ronald was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and served in many capacities.

Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday February 20, 2016 at the Mesquite Stake Center, 100 N. Arrowhead Lane, Mesquite, NV. A viewing will precede the funeral from 12:30 to 1:45 PM. Graveside service will follow the funeral at the Mesquite City Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Mesquite City Cemetery

301 Hillside Drive
Mesquite, NV

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 20. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (PT)

Mesquite Stake Center
100 N. Arrowhead Lane
Mesquite, NV

Service

FEB 20. 2:00 PM (PT)

Mesquite Stake Center
100 N. Arrowhead Lane
Mesquite, NV

Tribute Wall

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“ Ron was like the solid rock lined up true to the compass heading; he needed no GPS because he was the GPS.

Cordell E Logan

Cordell E Logan - February 19, 2016 at 12:40 PM

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“ Ron was one of my Dad's good buddies. They played football together, hunted, fished, and probably caused a little trouble on the way. Even after going their separate ways in life, the two always kept in touch by frequent phone calls. Ron graciously accepted the request to officiate my Dad's funeral in 2010 (the only person my Dad would have wanted to do it). Ron continued to check on my Mom with frequent phone calls even after my Dad's death. I can't think of too many men with the love and compassion Ron showed to my parents and to my family. I am so appreciative of Ron and what he has meant to us. As I read his obituary this morning I wept. I hope somehow in his busy afterlife Ron will find my Dad once more and share some good times together. Thanks Ron for being such an incredible person. I am sending love from my entire family!

Love,

Julie Allen (Bob and Shirley Allen Family)

Julie Allen - February 19, 2016 at 08:02 AM

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“ Ron always had Violet, his little dog by his side. He always wanted to give me ice cream or goodies, even taught me how to make bread. Ron and Joyce were so lucky to share so many experiences together and so much in love. Ron will be missed but I am glad I was able to know him. Blessings to Joyce for all she did for him and he was happy. He will always be looking over her shoulder, I just know it.

Carol Thatcher - February 19, 2016 at 01:49 AM

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