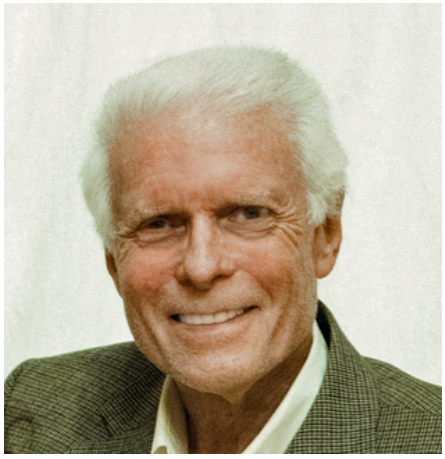


Christopher Meldrum Bigelow

August 9, 1943 ~ August 13, 2024

Chris is my big brother. I've always looked up to him as an example to follow. We kid brothers rode bicycles around Key West, Florida. Chris taught us how to catch crab with a ham bone off the beach in Norfolk, Virginia. Dad's pilot friend took us brothers for a joy ride in his small airplane. But I lost my stomach when we took a dive, and I was through! When we lived in Alexandria, Virginia, Dad found a junk Volkswagen for us teenage brothers to restore. It was a success, and Chris left for The University of Utah with his own car. Four years later after graduating as an officer from the Naval ROTC, Chris served honorably in the Vietnam War as commander of the minesweeper USS Implicit. I followed his example, and also entered the Navy ROTC program at University of Utah. I look forward to a grand reunion in the next life.

- Michael Bigelow

A Kinder more welcoming family cannot be found, Profoundly grateful for the impact you all made on my life. So much love and light to you all... It was not too many years ago I ran into him in a local park... He recognized me even after all this time and gave me one of those tight sideways squeezes... before laughing and dragging me into one of those tight hugs... back slapping and all.... I was so grateful to be a witness to the kind of love he had for everyone.

- Kerry Eccles Pack

We moved from California to Bountiful a few years after the Bigelows. Bountiful 50th was a great ward, due in no small part to the Bigelow family. We feel lucky to have known them and appreciate the friendship and help they gave our family. Sorry we didn't make it to the service, but we loved seeing it from home.

- Dave and Janice Eccles