

LaVarre Johnson Walter Sr.

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LaVarre Walter and family were such a great example to me. I love the whole family and thank Heavenly Father for the blessing they have been to me. Beloved Scoutmaster, who taught all us boys by how he lived. As I served as Scoutmaster, he was always in my memory and I I felt his example guiding me. With love and deep appreciation. Paul Mower

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We live Uncle LaVarre so much! What a great man. I am so thankful he lived such a good, long life. I am sure he was taken back to Our loving Father in Heaven just when he was meant too. I know Aunt Fern was so happy to come and get him to take him home! I am so sorry we can’t be at the funeral. It breaks my heart. Our Natalie is having her 40th Birthday party on that day. Her first party ever as an adult. We have been planning this for months. I know your Dad would understand and want us to be with our whole family. he was ne of the most understanding and kind people We know. the other being his wife. What great people. Such an example to us! Love you all, Richard and Jodie Herpel

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LaVarre ate dinner at the same table most every night, which gave me a front row seat to hear his great stories of the past and present! He was a sweet man with a kind disposition. He would always say, "well, here we are, back and at 'em". Or my absolute favorite, "More fun than Lagoon!" I knew he was dearly loved as he got the best mail from a multitude of extended family. LaVarre, I hope you are having a fantastic, long overdue reunion with your father, mother and (of course) dear wife! Truly, more fun than Lagoon!

- Stephanie Seelos from Sunrise Senior Living

When I was a young man and began to serve as a Home Teacher I was assigned to accompany LaVar Walter. He was a kind and gentle soul. I was so young and green that going out to visit members of the Ensign 3rd Ward was a new and intimidating experience. After our first evening out and we completed our assignments Brother Walter

said, let’s go to the 6th Avenue Rexall Drug Store soda fountain for a treat. We sat down on the swivel stools at the counter and LaVar ordered, “Two fresh limeades, please.” I had never of heard of those before, let alone had one. When the cold, fresh limeade were delivered, man oh man, those’d tasted so good. LaVar’s thoughtfulness in giving me a treat after my first venture out made me feel like a grown up. Also, LaVar had a little expression he’d use during our visits with our Home Teaching families. Invariably the visits with adults would often result in light discussions and small talk about the ups and downs of life. Lavar would say, “We’re too soon old; and too late smart.” And he give the word “smart” an accent, as in, schmart. I am very thankful for LaVar Walter and his fine example to me. Fern & LaVar were such faithful members. You could always count on them. God bless their children, descendents and loved ones in this time of grief. - Jay Marvin Mower

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