Glenn Lee Momberger

August 11, 1930 ~ July 11, 2019

Glenn Momberger, 88, passed away in Lindon Utah on July 11, 2019. A beloved father, bishop and physician, Glenn was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho on August 11, 1930 to Joseph Jacob Momberger and Lydia Vernice Maier Momberger. As a boy the family moved to Rexburg, Idaho where he graduated from Madison High School. As a young man Glenn joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and served a full-time mission in Brazil. He attended Ricks College in Rexburg Idaho, completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Utah and attended medical school at the University of Utah, graduating in 1954.

Glenn married Euleda Nanieve Gardner on September 8 1954 in the Manti LDS temple, and together they raised six children (Marc, Shauna, Joel, Heidi, Nathan, and Jared).

Glenn had a long and productive medical career including the United States Public Health Service. His work took the family from San Francisco to the Piute Indian Reservation in Shurz, Nevada and to Anchorage, Alaska where he served as the Head of Orthopedics for the USPHS for the State of Alaska.

In 1968 he relocated the family to Salt Lake City and moved into private practice. Over the years he worked closely with staff and physicians at LDS Hospital (where he was Chief of Staff), Cottonwood Hospital, Shriners Hospital, and Pioneer Valley Hospital. He eventually focused his practice on pioneering the management of low back pain, combining aggressive conservative care with limited surgical intervention. At the time of his retirement he was widely respected as one of the premier spine surgeons in the country. Perhaps more importantly, he was known by his patients for his kindness and gentle bedside manner.

Glenn and Nan served a two-year medical service mission in Brazil for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. After Nan's death in 2005, Glenn continued his work with Church medical services, serving a second medical mission to New Zealand, and then providing consultations and case reviews for mission presidents and physicians from around the world. Here he met May Jean Baty, a nurse in the department. After honorably completing their missionary service, Glenn and May Jean married in 2008 in the Cardston LDS Temple.

Over a lifetime of service, Glenn had a tremendous impact on the lives of those encountered. In addition to thousands of patients who were helped by his thoughtful and skilled medical care, he was also a beloved scout master, LDS Church Young Men's president, and a much sought after and respected Gospel Doctrine instructor. Additionally, he served as a High Councilor, as Bishop of the Yale II Ward, as well as a Bishop for the Utah State Penitentiary and Salt Lake City/County Jail.

Glenn loved photography and was an avid thespian, enjoying time on both community and church stages. He is perhaps best remembered for his portrayals of Jacob Marley ("Scrooge!") and Tevye ("Fiddler on the Roof").

He was a passionate lover of the outdoors. An accomplished skier and mountaineer, he loved the Yellowstone Country in particular and, as a youth, would spend his free time exploring the backcountry or climbing in the Tetons. He was inspired by the rugged wilds of Alaska and spent many hours hiking through the Wasatch, Uinta, Wind Rivers, and Teton ranges. He could name every rock formation and wild flower in the Albion Basin. He was a master fly fisherman, known for his grace, elegant casts, and beautiful hand-tied flies. He could often be found enjoying the solitude of fishing on local rivers or his beloved Henry's Fork in Idaho.

Glenn was preceded in death by his father, mother, brother (Jesse) as well as by his first wife (Nanieve), son (Marc) and grandson John. He is survived by his wife (May Jean), five children (Shauna Bowman, Joel (Jane), Heidi Camp (Craig), Nathan (Amber), Jared (Jami), 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, July 20, 2019 (viewing, 10:00am, memorial service, 12:00pm) at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Lindon First Ward house, 56 East 600 North, Lindon UT 84042. Interment will be at the Larkin Sunset Lawn Cemetery.