Stephen Lamoni Carr

June 29, 1937 ~ January 17, 2014

Stephen Lamoni Carr, MD, born June 29, 1937, Salt Lake City, Utah, passed away on January 17, 2014, from pneumonia. (He stopped breathing , it'll do it every time.) Parents were W. Lamoni and Carmen Streeper Carr, originally of Davis County. He grew up in the Highland Stake area of Salt Lake City, attended Irving Jr. High School and graduated from South High School, where he was one of several commencement speakers; and South High Seminary, where he was the graduation speaker. He served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps, and participated in the Atomic Bomb testing in southern Nevada in 1957. He served a 2-year mission for the LDS Church in the Central States Mission. He then married Ruth Fetzer, daughter of Percy and Thelma Fetzer of Salt Lake City. He graduated from the University of Utah in Biology with an emphasis in Ornithology.

He then attended the George Washington University School of Medicine, in Washington, D.C., graduated and returned to complete his internship and residency at the University of Utah hospitals. He enjoyed a 30-year practice of pediatrics in Holladay, Utah.

He has been involved with the Scouting program ever since becoming a scout, himself, and has been Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster in every ward he has lived in, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver, and numerous other Scouting awards and achievements.

He has always been an active and stalwart member, having a strong testimony of the divinity of the LDS Church, serving as Stake Mission President, Gospel Doctrine teacher, Sunday School President, Stake Scout Leader for 8 years, Stake High Council, Stake Clerk, Counselor in the Bishopric, High Priest Group Leader Assistant, and Ward Family History Consultant. He with wife, Ruth, was called on an LDS mission as the Area Medical Advisor to the South America West Area, overseeing the health care of 2000 missionaries in Peru and Bolivia. During this time, he was also a counselor in the MTC Presidency in Lima, Peru. He served as the president of the Book of Mormon Archaeological Forum and gave presentations at some of the annual BMAF fall conferences. He will be very interested in what is next in store on the other side of the veil.

He has also had many other non-Church interests and activities, notably being on the Governor's Commission for the Philo T. Farnsworth Statue for Statuary Hall in Washington, D.C. He was involved with the beginnings of the Heber Creeper Railroad and subsequently was on the board of directors of the Heber Creeper Railroad and later the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority, and served as a volunteer train conductor on his days off from his medical practice. He is also the author of several books on the ghost towns and ghost railroads of Utah. He has also been heavily involved with the Utah birding community, serving on the board of directors and president of the Utah Ornithological Society, and working with the Great Salt Lake Bird Festival committee.

He is survived by wife, Ruth, and children Bryan F. Carr (Amanda Klein), Allison Carr (Lauren Hosler), and Clayton L. Carr, brother Rolan Carr and sister Elaine Carr Brewster, granddaughters Jessica, Courtney, Caitlin, and Jennifer Olsen, and Addison Hosler, and grandsons Gabriel Klein and Dillon Hosler. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Barbara Carr Wiser, and brothers-in-law, Wendell Wiser and Scott Brewster.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 12:00 noon, at the Holladay 8th Ward, 5450 Holladay Blvd., Holladay, Utah. A viewing will be held the evening before at the Larkin Sunset Lawn Mortuary, 2350 East 1300 South, from 6-8pm, and at the chapel an hour before the services.

Interment will be in the Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park, 3401 Highland Drive, Salt Lake City Utah.