

Brooks Boyden Elkington

February 23, 1926 ~ September 8, 2021

Brooks Boyden Elkington, 95 ½ years young, a member of the “Greatest Generation”, passed away on September 8, 2021, at his home. He was the widower of Dora Jeanne Wager. They shared 51 years of marriage together.

Born in Salt Lake City, he was the son of Eldon Charles Elkington and Helen Elizabeth Boyden. He attended Price School, Sandy Elementary, Sandy Junior High, finally graduating from Jordan High in 1944. He was unable to attend his commencement exercises, as he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was training at Great Lakes Naval Base in Illinois, before departing on the U.S.S. Todd (AKA-71) to the Pacific.

Brooks returned from military service and enrolled at the University of Utah where he graduated in 1950 from it’s first Pharmacy School Class. Later that year, he married the love of his life, Dora Jeanne Wager, in Las Vegas.

He was employed as a pharmacist at the family-owned Jordan Drug Store, in Sandy Utah, where he worked with both his father, Eldon, and brother, Calvin. He then moved to Valley Drug Store in Midvale, Ut. After 52 years as a pharmacist, he retired when that stored closed. Gone was the era of small family-owned drug stores.

He was member of the L.D.S. church, as well as the Sandy Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Utah Pharmaceutical Association. He was a shy quiet man who deeply enjoyed sharing his time with his children and wife. Brooks spent endless hours tossing softballs or under the hood of a car with his children. Throughout his life he cared deeply for all his many pets. In his later years, he was involved in the Best Friends feral cat program, managing to spay/neuter many cats and providing food and shelter to a colony that lived in his yard behind his home.

He is survived by his children: Lois Elkington and Kevin (Susan) Elkington, grandchildren: Nils Erik Elkington, Elise (Damen) Snow, Scott Elkington, Jenna (Chris) Reese, Chris and Jason Ingram, and 6 great-grandchildren: Caden, Ryan, Allyson, Maddyson, Bradyn, and Vincent. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and grandson Joseph Ingram.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, Utah 84092.

A special thanks goes to the following: The United States Veterans Administration for the respect and honor given to our father during his final years, ACTIVE Home Hospice for the loving and professional care they provided Brooks, and especially to all those many friends, relatives, and neighbors who assisted Brooks and his family during his final days.

In lieu of flowers, please spread your love to the universe by donating blood, giving to your favorite charity, assisting a neighbor in need, or smiling at a stranger. Spread positive energy wherever you go. Brooks would have

wanted that.