



## Christian Eugene Shingleton

*December 13, 1930 ~ December 28, 2023*

Bountiful, UT — Christian Eugene Shingleton, 93, returned to his heavenly home in the early morning hours of December 28, 2023. He was born on December 13, 1930, along with his twin sister Jeanne, to Samuel and Marie (Dalbout) Shingleton. They were numbers 7 and 8 out of 9 children. Four of which passed away before he was born, 3 due to a meningitis outbreak and 1 shortly after birth.

Chris grew up in Salt Lake City during the Great Depression. His story of hardship and sadness greatly influenced his work ethic and his incredible ability to see value in something others might not. He had a "don't worry, I've got it covered" attitude.

Chris graduated from West High School and spent the next two years working for Morton Salt Company. He swore he was the young man pictured on the salt mound in the Encyclopedia. He served his country in the United States Army and was a proud veteran of the Korean War.

Before being sent overseas, Chris married Nancy Anderson on March 14, 1951. Together they raised 4 children, 1 daughter and 3 sons. After 23 years together, they divorced, but remained good friends. Chris later married Vyrna Campbell. He loved and cared for her children as his own. They also divorced but remained good friends until her passing.

Upon returning home from his military service, he became employed by Utah Power and Light where he worked for 35 years. First, as a surveyor and later he moved to Mining and Exploration. This granted him the freedom to work outdoors, which he had a great appreciation for.

Chris was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He had the honor to serve as a Scoutmaster for 9 years. He supervised knotted rope bridges, river-runs, and wilderness safety. Although, one of his favorite scouting memories was giving unauthorized flying lessons.

After retirement, due to boredom, Chris enrolled himself in several classes at Salt Lake Community College. His favorite being welding, which he developed a passion for. With the help of his mentor and good friend Blair, he was able to complete many amazing projects. Ranging from car hauler trailers, water wheels to generate power, metal repairs on his two 1945 Willys Jeeps, and even a metal Christmas tree.

Our dad leaves behind a legacy of service and generosity. Always putting others before himself. He was a pilot, a gifted poet, and a true patriot. His talents were many and appreciated by all.

He leaves behind his partner and dear friend Velma, one daughter, and two sons: Christie (Randy) Webb, Casey Shingleton, Roger (Michelle) Shingleton, 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, with 1 on the way. Preceded in death by his parents, son Steven Shingleton, 2 brothers and 6 sisters. Dad, enjoy your morning walks in Heaven and wave hello to loved ones as you go by.

Our family wishes to give thanks to Lisa from Hospice, Brylie from Loving Hands, as well as his many neighbors and friends who spent time with him.

A small funeral service for close friends and family will be held Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 12 noon located at the Utah Veterans Memorial Park, 17111 S. Camp Williams Rd, Bluffdale, Utah 84065.