

Daniel S. Ellis

December 20, 1926 ~ August 13, 2021

Daniel Stewart Ellis, loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend passed away on Friday, August 13, 2021 at the age of 94, while surrounded by his loving family.

Born December 20, 1926 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Jennie June Higham Ellis and Daniel LeRoy Ellis, one of three children. He married the love of his life, Norma May Gutke in the Salt Lake Temple on February 4, 1949.

Following graduation from East High School, he enlisted in the US Army Specialized Training Program at the age of 17. He served during World War II in the Alaska Communication System on the USSBSP Basil O. Lenoir.

After his release from military service, he attended and graduated from the University of Utah in Elementary Education. He was an educator for 38 years. He taught in the Davis County School District for three years, and for the remaining 35 years in Granite School District (12 years as a teacher and 23 years as a principal). He was considered a “gifted” administrator, a principal’s principal, and most importantly a “Master Teacher”.
Dad was passionate about his artwork and spent many hours painting portraits and landscapes in watercolors and pastels. His paintings included many of his cherished loved ones and transformed many travel memories into beautiful pieces of art.

Dad was an avid reader and was known to read numerous books each month. He was a man of keen intellect, integrity and blessed us with his gifts of wisdom. Dad had great joy in the accomplishments of his family. He was a kind and gentle soul. He was even tempered and had an impact for good on all those he knew. Dad’s life revolved around the one thing he loved and cherished the most of all, the light of his life, Norma, his beloved wife. His life truly began the day he met her and was never the same when he lost her three weeks short of their 67th wedding anniversary. We are grateful that they are reunited once again.

Survived by his three sons, Randall (Linda), Scott (Joy/deceased), B. Carl (Kathy) and one daughter Laura, 7 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and his sister, Suzanne Henderson (Herbert).

Preceded in death by his wife, Norma Gutke, infant daughter, Wendi Ann, and daughter-in-law Joy Oakland Ellis. Also preceded by his parents, Daniel LeRoy and Jennie June, and brother, Richard.

Funeral Services will be held Friday, August 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Larkin Sunset Lawn, 2350 East 1300 South, Salt Lake City. A viewing will be held the day of the service from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Interment will be held at Holladay Memorial Park, 4900 South Memory Lane (1990 East). A zoom account is required in advance for this service; Please click on the link below to view the service.
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