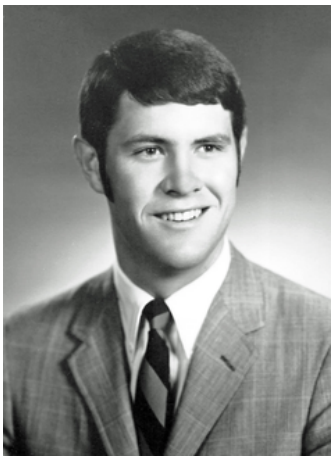

Donald Eugene Pugh

August 7, 1947 ~ November 25, 2022

Donald Eugene Pugh was born August 7, 1947 to Warren E. Pugh and Leta C. Pugh. He was raised primarily in Holladay, Utah, but he spent three formative years in San Francisco, where he accompanied his parents who were serving as Mission Leaders in the Northern California Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. After graduating from Olympus High School, he attended the University of Utah.

He later served a mission to Scotland for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Upon returning home, he met the love of his life, Jane Hanseen Pugh. They were sealed in the Los Angeles Temple on December 20, 1969. Don graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor's degree in business. He then attended Arizona State University, where he earned his Master's in Business Administration.

Business became one of his passions. He joined the Cummins Engine Company in Columbus, Indiana upon graduation. After several years at Cummins, he returned to Salt Lake City, where he joined his brother, Lorin, and father, Warren, in the family business at Cummins Intermountain. After 13 years, Don was selected to be the Cummins distributor for the Northwest area.

Later, Don added another major business line when he became a distributor for Thermo King Transport Refrigeration. Don built Cummins Northwest into a successful business as president and owner. He later turned the Thermo King business over to his oldest son, Brandon, and nephew, JR Zundel. In 2011, Don and his two middle sons, James and Timothy, bought Thermo King Intermountain from his brother, Lorin. In 2020, the Thermo King Northwest and Thermo King Intermountain entities merged to form a new company, Peak Industrial. One of Don's greatest joys was watching his family work together.

Don had a great love for all people, and he made many close friendships. Every person he met turned into a friend. Don once said if he had one talent, it was to surround himself with great people and let them grow.

Don had a life-long interest in music. He played the guitar in various bands as a young man and throughout his life. He enjoyed all kinds of music, and during his life he amassed a collection of both electric and acoustic guitars.

He had a deep involvement with the University of Utah. He served on the Institutional Council (now called the Board of Trustees), as a member of the Advisory Council, and on the Business School Board.

Don loved being involved in community service in Salt Lake City and Seattle. He helped start the Ouelessebougou Utah Alliance more than 35 years ago. He served as a member of the Seattle Sports Council, Young Presidents Organization (YPO), and other groups and associations.

Don felt blessed to serve in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Some of his favorite callings included serving as Young Men's President, High Councilor, Bishop, and Stake President. He and his dear wife, Jane, were called to serve as Mission Leaders for the Pennsylvania Harrisburg Mission from 2006-2009 and as President and

Matron of the Seattle Temple from 2010-2013. They loved their missionaries, temple workers, and patrons.

Don is survived by his wife, Jane Hanseen, and their five children, Brandon (Tajee) Pugh, James (Stacy) Pugh, Timothy (Melinda) Pugh, Anna (Seth) Furgeson, and Elizabeth (Jose) Castaneda. He is also survived by his brother, Lorin Pugh. Don and Jane have 18 grandchildren, who light up their lives.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Warren and Leta Pugh, his brother, Richard Pugh, his sister, Carol Matheson, and his granddaughter, Katherine Pugh.

He loved his wife, Jane, family, friends, and most of all his Savior, Jesus Christ.

A viewing will be held from 6-8 PM on Friday December 2, 2022 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints building on 13006 Boulter Street, Draper, Utah.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2022 at 11 AM at the Draper Corner Canyon Stake Center on 13366 S 1300 E, Draper, Utah. A viewing will be held prior to the service from 9-10:30 AM at the Stake Center.

Interment will follow the services at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park and Mortuary.

For those unable to attend the funeral services in person, please see a zoom link below for the proceedings: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/WLbd8z4zjuFTirBxkPdbDldS398uua3ZP-P7n6WFURTxqaOHmp0GPZYsqoP3rW2P.f

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