

Douglas Allan Smith

May 5, 1924 ~ May 31, 2021

Douglas Allan Smith, beloved Father, Husband, Grandfather, Uncle and friend, has been called home to a Grand Family Reunion.

Born May 5, 1924 to Joseph Fielding and Ethel Georgina Reynolds Smith, he was the 10th child in a loving family. Douglas attended and was a football hero at East High School. He was called to serve his Country in World War II at the tender age of eighteen. He served faithfully and was present at the Battle of The Bulge and the beachhead of Normandy. He returned home unscathed, giving credit to his father's prayers for his safety and survival. He served in the Northwest States Mission for two years and graduated from the University of Utah. He then started his career at Beneficial Life Insurance as a mortgage banker. While teaching a Young Adult Sunday School class, one of the young ladies in the group caught his eye. He courted and married the girl of his dreams, Roberta Carlquist, in 1951 in the Salt Lake Temple. They were blessed with five children: Allan (Mihoshi) Smith, Tokyo, Japan, Janet (Howard) Thorley, Cedar City, UT, Robert (deceased) (Kathy) Smith, Lehi, UT, Sue (Terry) Anderson, Willow, AK, and Valerie (Spencer) Colby, Taylorsville, UT. 19 grandchildren, and 34 great grandchildren.

After Roberta's passing in 1993, he married Elaine Goodfellow Rose in the Salt Lake Temple, November, 1995. He considered her a blessing in his age.

Douglas served as Bishop in two wards, Stake Presidency Counselor, President of the England London Mission and Stake Patriarch, among other callings. He loved most serving as a Sealer in the Salt Lake Temple. Strong and with a sound mind, he took each calling as the special one. He served even when challenged with ill health and came through as a champion. For many years he kept track of every member of his father's family. He was so loved by so many. He was a selfless, loving servant of our Heavenly Father with a firm testimony of Jesus Christ. His children, grandchildren, and his adopted family have fond memories of his playful, kind temperament. He was fun!

Douglas passed away May 31, 2021. In a time of grieving, we cherish the times and memories we shared with him.

In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate contributions to Humanitarian Aid of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 5, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the Forestview Ward, 1111 East Charlton Avenue, where friends and family may visit from 9:30-10:45 a.m. Services will be streamed via Zoom at the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89214651693, or by clicking the "watch services" button at the top of this page. A Zoom account is required to access the service.