

Elden H. Booth

September 8, 1925 ~ July 4, 2021

Elden Howard Booth passed away on July 4, 2021, claiming his independence from the sickness and pain of his mortal life. Always a great patriot, with great love for America, it is fitting that he died on this day. Elden was born on Sept. 8, 1925 in Salt Lake City, where he grew up with his two best buddies, his older brothers. The three of them had great adventures together on the west side of town. He also was excited when his little brother and sister came along. No one was more important to him than his family! He later graduated from West High School. When WWII started he was not old enough to enlist, so he went to San Francisco and joined the Merchant Marines. He served on several ships in both theatres for the entire duration of the war. After the war he returned home and married his sweetheart Leora Christensen on July 12, 1946. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple in 1954. During the early years of his working career, he met L. E. Harrington and went to work for him. After many years of dedicated service, he was able to buy Harrington & Company. He went on to make it a successful wholesale/distribution company of many building and hardware products. He was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served faithfully in many callings, including several Bishoprics. He loved working with the young men and served many years as YMIA President, along with many teaching and advisory callings. He also served at the Salt Lake Temple for many years, a calling that brought him great joy. Elden loved his family and would spend many a Sunday afternoon and evening visiting his brothers and sister, which helped make the cousins very close. Elden was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was a world class shotgun shooter. He also was a master fly-fisherman. He was a charitable man, giving to many causes and people in need. Many veterans, Native-American, and children’s groups were causes he supported. He had a real soft spot for children. He also was instrumental in many Church buildings being built and was instrumental in the building of the softball diamond where the Taylorsville Temple is currently being built. He loved music and made sure all six of his children learned to play musical instruments. Elden is preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin & Lora Booth; his brothers; Ben, Fred, and Phillip Booth; and a grandson Scott Petersen. He is survived by his sweetheart, Leora; his sister Lorraine Furse, his Children; Cynthia Roundy (Don), Susan Petersen, Stephen (Janet), Michael (RaNae), Brian (Teriann), and David (Gina); 21 grandchildren, 67 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. His funeral will be on his 75th anniversary, July 12, 2021, at 11:00 am at the 10th Ward Chapel, located at 3820 S. 2000 E. There will be a viewing Sunday July 11, at Larkin Sunset Lawn located at 2350 E. 1300 S. in Salt Lake City from 6 to 8 p.m., also Monday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the church. The family would like to offer special thanks to the loving caregivers and hospice professionals. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Primary Children’s Hospital. https://intermountainhealthcare.org/primary-childrens/give. YouTube Live event link https://youtu.be/HrqU80y-RBY

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