

Frederick Sutton Wheeler

July 31, 1938 ~ February 11, 2024

Frederick Sutton Wheeler, 85, was born on July 3, 1938, in Logan Utah. He died on Sunday February 11, 2024, in Salt Lake City, UT. Fred was the second of three children born to Geraldine and Fred Clyde Wheeler. He attended South High School and graduated in the class of 1956. Fred grew up playing baseball at Lindsey Gardens, and tennis at Liberty Park – whenever he wasn't starting adventures of mischief on the Avenues where his parents ran a grocery store on 9th Ave. & K street.

Following High School, Fred attended the University of Utah. He was a lifelong member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity where he enjoyed spending time with his fraternity brothers and, later in life, running the Kappa Sigma golf tournaments for many years. Anyone who spent time with him, knew he had fond memories playing for the University's basketball and tennis teams. His devotion to U of U athletics continued throughout the rest of his life. He married Charlene Neilson in October of 1961 and they raised their family of three children together.

Following college, Fred began his career as a bond analyst in New York City. After several years of longing for home, he took an opportunity to open a branch in Salt Lake for Foster Marshall. While taking part in mergers such as Shearson Lehman, Smith Barney, and finally ending his career at Robert W. Baird, Fred developed relationships discussing stocks and bonds with friends that carried throughout his life.

Fred had many hobbies including teaching himself to play the piano and saxophone, watching birds, mountains, and the valley from his deck. He had a passion for learning genealogy, working on his yard and gardening through his entire life. He loved playing golf and always valued his associations and time spent at the Salt Lake Country Club. He also enjoyed spending his time at the bridge table with friends and was ultimately awarded a Life Master ranking. When he wasn't at the Country Club, you could find Fred busy doing a daily crossword puzzle in the newspaper, out fly fishing with his fishing group or enjoying Moab.

Fred is preceded in death by his parents Geraldine and Fred Clyde Wheeler, and his sister Carol Brumfield. He is survived by his brother Jim Wheeler, his children Leslie Funk (Eric), Jodi Wheeler, Alex Wheeler (Margaret), his grandchildren Mitch Rasmussen, Crystal Tomlinson, Camille Rasmussen, Carter Wheeler, Christian Wheeler, Annie Wheeler, and his great grandchild Dayvi Grace Tomlinson.

A viewing will be held Friday, Feb. 16, 2024, from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm at Larkin Sunset Lawn on 2350 E. 1300 S. Burial will follow in the Salt Lake City Cemetery, 11th Ave East entrance of the cemetery. A celebration of Life will be held at a later date for friends and family with more information to follow. In lieu of flowers, please spend time with family and others less fortunate.