

# James N. Berry

*May 19, 1930 ~ September 11, 2022*

James N. Berry, born May 19, 1930, to Edward Lawrence and Mary Leona Berry in Park City, Utah, died September 11, 2022, of what James called “too many birthdays”. He was the youngest of 8 children.

James was first and foremost a firefighter. His career began in 1948 when he joined the Park City Volunteer Fire Dept. In 1952 he began his full-time service with the Salt Lake City Fire Dept. retiring in 1983 as a Captain. His next move was back to Park City as their first full-time Fire Chief. After that, James took a job with the Utah State Fire Marshal’s Office and traveled the State doing fire pumper testing and other duties as well as continuing with teaching volunteer firefighters training courses which he had done for many years. James’ last job was with Ross Equipment Company as a fire engine sales representative for the Utah area. He also continued his pump testing which he did until the age of 82.

James also served in the United States Navy Reserves beginning in 1947 aboard the USS Tarawa CV-40.

James was married to his high school sweetheart Lila Lee Nelson in the Salt Lake Temple on May 12, 1950. Together they raised 2 sons and a daughter: Max, Don, and Lee Ann. They were together for 69 years. In their retirement, they served a 3-year service mission at Church Headquarters.

James is survived by his son Max (Robyn) Berry, son Don (Millie) Berry, and daughter Lee Ann Hogge, sister-in-law Sheri Fitt, 8 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Lila, parents, 7 older siblings, and son-in-law Steve Hogge.

The family wishes to extend gratitude to Carrington Court Assisted Living, Atlas Hospice Care, especially Sara Warner and Larkin Mortuary.

Graveside service will be held Friday, September 16, 2022, at Larkin Sunset Gardens 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, at 11:00 a.m.