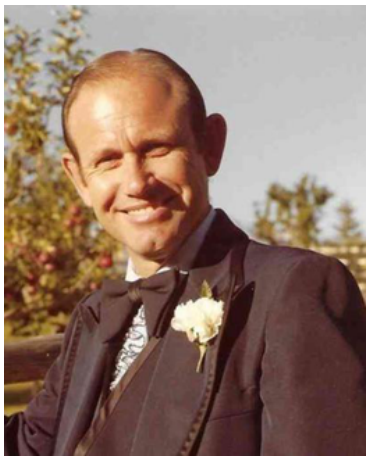

Leo Smith Jr.

August 13, 1936 ~ August 18, 2023

After a lifetime of service, Leo George Smith Jr. passed away on August 18, 2023. His parents were Leo George Smith Sr. and Bessie Atkin Smith. Not only did Leo share the same name as his father, but he was also blessed to share the same birthday. The Smith family lived in St. George until Leo Senior's unexpected passing when Leo Jr. was only 8 years old. Leo's mother would later marry Rulon W Doman and continue building their family in Orem, Utah. Leo married Beverly Voorhees on February 25, 1957. A temple marriage followed on March 29, 1957.

Leo graduated from Weber State College. He spent 25 years in the Sandy City Police Department in various positions. He was in the United States Marine Corps for 2 1/2 years and the Utah National Guard for 18 years. He participated in Desert Storm, serving in the 625th Military Police Company. He received an Army Commendation Medal for meritorious services, a South West Asia Service Medal with 2 bronze stars, and a Kuwait Liberation Medal.

Many enjoyable years were spent as a volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America where Leo had received his Eagle Scout award. He held numerous LDS callings and was most recently spending many hours in the temple each week performing volunteer service.

Leo was known by his family, friends, and neighbors as a kind, honorable, diligent, and responsible man. He loved his family, especially his grandchildren. He was dedicated to a life of learning and could often be found reading to increase his knowledge of his profession or for self-improvement. He loved children, animals, and a good bowl of ice cream!

Leo was preceded in death by his parents, his step-father Rulon Doman, sisters: Enid Lee Call, JoAnn Wright, Nita Backus, Ruleen Evans, and brothers: Roy Smith and Curtis Doman.

Leo is survived by his wife Beverly, sons Victor (Lori) Smith and Jeff Smith, and daughter Colleen (James) Powell, grandchildren Vicky (Robert) Tripp, Heather Smith, Robert Smith, Melissa (Joshua) Smith, Jerry (Lori) Smith, Kenzie Smith, Carly Smith, Nicholas Smith, Michael Powell and Linda Powell, 10 great-grandchildren, a brother Larry (Marion) Doman, Sisters Nedra (Max) Lundberg and Roseanne Merrill.

A viewing will be held Saturday, August 26, 2023 from Noon - 1:45 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 10975 So Prescott Dr. (1630 E), Sandy, Utah, followed by services at 2:00 p.m. Interment at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 So) Sandy, Utah.

A recording of the service can be watched by clicking on the following link: https://youtu.be/aVIiRow0XC4