

Lewis David (LD) Bowerman

Aug. 28, 1935 ~ Oct. 18, 2022

After a life dedicated to serving his family, Lewis David (LD) Bowerman died peacefully on Tuesday, October 18th, 2022, at his home in Draper Utah surrounded by his family. He was 87. A loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, LD courageously faced health challenges as he battled Liver Cancer for the past 18 months. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

LD was born on August 28th, 1935, to Chester and Gladys Bowerman in Delta Colorado. He was raised in a mining and farming community. He graduated from Hayden High School in 1953 where he lettered in Football, track, basketball and softball.

LD's father taught him to have a great work ethic which served him well throughout his life. Life was difficult for the young Bowerman family and at the age of 12, LD and his older brother worked in the mines to help put food on the table for the family of 10. Many times, all they could afford to eat was Cream of Wheat for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

LD married Mary, the love of his life, on December 26th, 1960. According to him, "I would have been nothing without her, she smoothed out all my rough edges and made it possible for me to achieve the things I did. She has always been my better half." They were married for 62 years and have 3 beautiful children Nancy, Shannon, and Brad. They were sealed for time and all eternity in the Los Angeles Temple in 1967.

In 1953, LD joined Peter Kiewit Construction as a laborer. As the years passed, LD continued to be promoted through various positions. The company wanted to promote him into management, but that would be impossible without a college education. He was overjoyed when he learned that his employer would pay for his college education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Kiewit also paid him a full salary so that he could provide for his wife and children while attending college.

LD's career spanned 38 years working for the Kiewit Companies. He found his home in the Underground District, where he worked on many significant projects including the Eisenhower Highway Tunnel, the Chicago Storage Tunnel, and subway systems in Boston, New York, Baltimore and Washington D.C. He also consulted on major underground projects around the world. When he retired, he was the President/District Manager for the Underground Construction Worldwide Division.

At the age of 58, he willingly gave up a successful career to serve a three-year mission as a Mission President for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He and Mary lovingly served their missionaries and the people of the Washington Seattle Mission from 1993-1996.

Upon completing their mission, LD and Mary settled in the Salt Lake Valley and at the age of 61, not one to rest on his laurels, LD started a second career. He started an investment firm and bought a construction company, a drilling company, and became a successful commercial real-estate developer.

LD will be remembered for a life of building. Building a loving service-oriented family, building and lifting others in his community, and building upon his testimony of the restored Gospel of Jesus Christ. He was also an avid fan of BYU sports. LD always had a twinkle in his eye and smile on his face. He was a giant of a man in many ways, and according to his grandchildren gave the best bear hugs.

LD's greatest desire was to be a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He loved when his grandchildren would come to him for counsel with their problems and concerns. LD and Mary considered their family to be their greatest blessing.

LD is survived by his wife, Mary, their three children, Nancy (Doug), Shannon (Mike), and Brad (Ale), his grandchildren and his great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Carol, Evelyn, Ginger, Easter and brother, JC. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his two brothers ID and CA.

The family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Jonathan Whisenant and the wonderful nurses and staff at Utah Cancer Specialists.

A viewing will be held on Thursday evening, November 3rd, 2022 from 6-8 PM at the Hidden Valley Stake Center 1440 East Raddon, Sandy Utah.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning, November 4, 2022, at 11:00 AM at the Hidden Valley Stake Center (1440 East Raddon, Sandy Utah) with the family greeting guests from 9:30-10:30am.

The interment will be held the same day at Larkin Sunset Gardens beginning at 12:30 P.M.

The recorded service can be viewed by clicking on the "Watch Service" button above.