



## Richard Louis Larsen

*May 9, 1934 ~ Nov. 9, 2020*

Richard Louis Larsen died peacefully at his home on Monday, November 9, 2020. He was born May 9, 1934 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Oscar LeRoy and Erma Louis (Beck) Larsen. Richard was raised in Salt Lake with one brother, Paul. He graduated from West High School in 1952. In 1987 he obtained his Bachelor's Degree from Liberty University in Theology.

Richard loved theology and reading the Bible. He was a believer in Jesus Christ and trusted the Bible as the infallible word of God. Though he would miss his family, he looked forward to meeting family and friends in heaven.

On November 25, 1954; he married his high school sweetheart Judy Anne Wilson—the love of his life in Overton, Utah. They shared a very loving marriage for 66 years. Raising his 6 sons; Richard T (Marjorie), Brett (Stacey), Gregg (Mindy), Shawn (Karen), Thomas (Sara) and James (Karen) and one daughter Viki (Andy) Burns in Sunset, Utah. Later moving to beautiful Mountain Green, Utah when they became empty nesters.

He worked for WO Johnson Co. from 1950 to 1954 then Titanium Metals until 1957 as a welder. He was then drafted into the army in 1960. After his discharge, he worked for Thiokol Chemical Corp. until becoming employed in 1963 as the manager of Specialty Engineering & Manufacturing Corp. In 1980 he purchased the SEMCO Motion division of the company and in 1989, moving his business to Mountain Green, Utah and adding the machine shop in 2005. The business is now operated by 3 of his sons. Over the years the family trade has been passed down from sons to grandsons. Everyone remembering his grunts of approval or disapproval. With just a grunt, you could tell his exact mood. Very quick to anger and a pending blowup to calm and understanding in seconds.

Richard was talented in many ways. He always had a home remodeling project he was working on, completed to perfection. He loved cars owning many sporty luxury cars in his lifetime, none of which was equipped for a family of 9, requiring two cars for every family outing. He loved Christmas shopping via the Sears Catalog. He spent weeks skimming the pages for the best gifts. Judy had to save every box that came into the house. He wrapped the presents to perfection! Utilizing many cereal boxes. He had a love for trains, models, and music. Spending hours working on his latest hobby. He also loved to collect guns--rarely shooting them; just collecting. He diligently read his train, car and gun magazines planning for his next purchase.

His beautiful home in Mountain Green welcomed many friends and family. With his equally talented wife they hosted many holidays, BBQ's, luncheons and even a few weddings. It was always a memorable time!

Richard is survived by his wife, Judy; his seven children, 24 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren, with an additional 4 great grandchildren on their way. He was preceded in death by his brother, parents, and grandparents.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a private family memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 28, 2020 at Kaysville Bible Church, in Kaysville, Utah.