

Robert Alden Condie

March 11, 1931 ~ November 5, 2021

I was born March 11, 1931 in SLC, UT to Richard Palfreyman and Blanche Mendenhall Condie. My siblings, Richard, deceased (Elaine, deceased), Joanne Stewart (Charles), Jeanette Pearson (Keith, deceased) and Douglas (Pamela) grew up on B Street in Salt Lake. I graduated from East High School. As a family we were taught the importance of a strong work ethic. At age 12, I spent summers on ranches in New Mexico, Idaho and Wyoming. Later, I worked construction in Teton and Yellowstone National Park. I spent 2 years at the University of Utah where I was a Sigma Chi. It was there that I met Mary Esther (Chris) Christensen. We were married April 23, 1954. Together we had 4 children; Shannon, Steven, Heather Kingsford (Tom) and Robyn Sargetakis (Manoli).

In 1951 I joined the USAF and graduated flight school at Nellis Air Force Base. As a fighter pilot I flew F80, F86A, EF Models and F100 A&C. I was 1 of 4 pilots selected to fly the F100 to George AFB. With several of my Airforce friends we captured our memories in the book “We Pushed the Limits”.

After my time serving in AF, we returned to Utah. I received a BA in Banking and Finance from the University of Utah. I then worked for Chance Drilling Co in Houston, Texas for 2 years. In 1959, we again returned to Salt Lake where I started Pride Oil which I later sold to Gulf Oil. I became the district manager for Utah, Idaho and Nevada. During this time, I became a partner with Calvin E. Clark and Wally Wright. We built and operated the Rodeway Inn of Salt Lake, and in 1965, Calvin and I built and operated the Roadway Inn in Boise, ID.

In the late 1960’s, I became involved in cutting horses, which quickly became my passion, second to flying. I was fortunate to own and show Docs Marmoset, who became the World Champion Cutting horse in 1981. The friends I made in the cutting horse circuit had a lot to do with my enjoyment and success. My involvement in horses prompted me to become interested in property in the Heber Valley. We trained cutting horses there and had beautiful access to the Provo River where we would enjoy fly fishing. Fishing was an important sport that I enjoyed with my children and grandchildren.

The last several years I have been honored to give back to the veterans through various activities. I became enthusiastically involved in the CR England Veterans Rally’s.

I had a real interest in following my father’s career with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. I thought it was important to document his accomplishments with the Choir under his direction, which included a Grammy Award and many Gold Records. This prompted me to co-author the book, “Under My Baton.”

We have been blessed to have our children live near us for most of their lives. Holidays were always special, thanks to the efforts of Chris. We enjoyed many picnics, dinners and various celebrations. Some of our most memorable family events included annual trips to the R Lazy S Ranch in Jackson, Wyoming and staying with friends in Grace, Idaho during the local county fair. Later in life, I went from being a competitor to a spectator

supporting grandkids in their activities.

My life has been blessed with a wonderful supportive family and many dear friends.

I am survived by my wife of 67 years, Chris; Children; Grandchildren; Robert Kingsford (Suzanne), Nathan Kingsford (Lisa), Steven and Kali Sargetakis, Marcus Davis-Condie, Michael Davis-Ipaktchian. Greatgrandchildren; Mae, Grace, Grant, Duke and Della Kingsford; Siblings

As a family we would like to provide special thanks to the following; St. Marks Cardiac Rehabilitation team, Dr. Phillip Kithas, Life Care Center, The Ridge Cottonwood, Canyon Hospice and Physical Therapists; Mark Aberton, Kyle Aberton and Randy Aragon

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation: https://app.mobilecause.com/form/q8Qfcw?vid=nburj

A private family graveside service was held Friday, November 12, 2021. Internment Salt Lake City Cemetery.