

Robert Keith Dowdle

March 18, 1930 ~ October 19, 2022

With heavy and grateful hearts, we announce the passing of the man who blessed the lives of all who knew him, Robert Keith Dowdle. Our father, grandfather, and great grandfather peacefully left his cares behind early morning, October 19th, 2022, surrounded by many of those who loved him.

Born in Rigby, Idaho, March 18th, 1930. Robert or “Bob” to most who knew him was the youngest of seven children born to Robert Hazen Dowdle and Lydia Bell Chapman. Following high school, he served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Southern California. After returning home to Utah, he met the love of his life, JoAnne Allred. They were married and sealed in the Salt Lake City Temple on November 25, 1953. Bob graduated from Brigham Young University and later received his master’s in education also from Brigham Young University. He and Joanne had four children, Robert (Bobbie), Sandra (Sandy), Barton (Bart) and Brook. During their fifty-six years of marriage, Bob and JoAnne served two LDS missions the Dublin, Ireland Mission as well as the Martin's Cove, WY Mission.

Bob was a fun-loving optimist who truly felt that “Life is such a delight”. Serving his fellow man brought him such great joy. Whether he was fixing a car for someone, making jewelry to brighten someone’s day, or spending time to get to know a stranger, he was so very thankful to all who greatly blessed and enriched his life. He loved all of you! He sincerely believed that he was the most fortunate person on the earth. He was so grateful to all those in his life that he never realized that the love and service that he gave to all was simply being reflected back into his life.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sisters, his beloved wife JoAnne and infant son Bobbie. Bob is survived by his daughter Sandra Dowdle (Steve), son Barton Dowdle (Evelyn); son Brook Dowdle; grandchildren: Rachel Richards (Bryan); Shannon Farner (Mark), Emily Dowdle, Trevor Dowdle (Charlotte), Haley Dowdle (Bradan), Joshua Dowdle (Emily Ann), Jakob Dowdle; great-grandchildren: Gabrielle Richards, Noah Farner, Milo Farner, Benjamin Richards, Jona Farner, Hannah Dowdle, James Dowdle, Alice Dowdle, Samuel Dowdle, Owen Dowdle, Sophie Dowdle, Oliver Dowdle; others who called him father: Scott Trinh (foster son); Pepe Lee, Eduardo Lee, Brenda Lee Caricari, Armida Lee Hurralde (Foreign Exchange Students Culiacan, Mexico).

Funeral services will be Friday, Oct. 28th at 11 a.m. at the LDS Church, 4845 South, Woodhaven Dr. (1365 West) Taylorsville, UT. A viewing will precede the funeral from 9-10:30 AM.

If you would like to watch the recorded services, please click on the blue "Watch Services" above.