

Ross J. Spencer

September 24, 1927 ~ August 5, 2021

Ross J. Spencer passed away peacefully on August 5, 2021, surrounded by his loving family in Lake Havasu City, Arizona.

Born September 24, 1927 in Magna, Utah, to Hyrum Ray Spencer and Minnie Elizabeth Provstgaard, Ross was the youngest of seven children. He grew up in Payson, Utah, where he attended school. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and donated much of his time to the Boy Scouts. Upon graduation, he served in the Merchant Marines in WWII delivering supplies and oil to Navy ships from the Persian Gulf in the Mediterranean Sea, to many islands in the Pacific Ocean, including Japan. Soon afterward, he married Dora Mae Otten on July 17, 1946, in Payson, Utah, and their marriage was later solemnized in the Provo LDS Temple. He became self-employed as a building and paint contractor and resided in Long Beach, California; Murray, Utah; Salem, Utah and Payson, Utah. In 1988, he and his wife relocated to Lake Havasu City, Arizona, to help their son with his flooring business.

Ross is survived by his four children, Gayliene (Bill) Lund, Sherrie (Vennie) Kraync, Kathy Spencer Stimpson, and Lori Spencer, 16 grandchildren, 39 great grandchildren and 17 great, great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, and one sister: Loren, La Ray, Arlyn, Glen, Don, and Deon S. Warren Reece; his wife, Dora Mae Otten, two children, Eddie (Marnell) Spencer and Christian J. Spencer and two grandsons, Carter Benson and Chan Nordgran.

Dad was a beloved, humble, hardworking and fun-loving man who gave deep, abiding love to his sweetheart, his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren. He left behind an amazing legacy and his kind-hearted, patient loving spirit touched countless lives. He valued his family with all his heart and always had plenty of love to go around. Until we meet on the other side!

Funeral services will be held on at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road (10600 South), Sandy, UT 84092. A viewing will be held from 12:30 to 1:45 prior to the services. Interment to follow at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery.