Jessie Marcella Stanger Call

September 21, 1916 ~ June 1, 2016

Jessie Marcella Stanger Call, who for many years played a key role in Utah's Civil Defense and emergency preparedness, died June 1 , just a few months short of her hundredth birthday. She was born September 21, 1916 in Iona, Idaho and was raised and educated in Idaho Falls. She married Thurlow W. Call in 1936; the marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. During their 66 years of marriage, they lived in Salt Lake, Brigham City, and the St. George area.

In the 1960s and ‚Äò70s, Jessie served as assistant director of Utah's Civil Defense system, organizing and coordinating its offices statewide.

Thurlow passed away in 2002, and health issues took Jessie to Marin County, California, where she was cared for by her daughter, Barbara. Before that, though, she realized her dreams of seeing some of the world, traveling with her husband and family members to China, Australia, Russia, Germany, England, and South America. She is survived by her daughters, Julie Call Waters of Chimayo, New Mexico and Barbara Call of Ross, California, and by her son, Thurlow Stephen Call of Sandy, Utah. She leaves seven grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. A viewing will take place at the Larkin Sunset Lawn from 6:00 to 8:00pm on Tuesday June 7th. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. at the Brigham City cemetery.