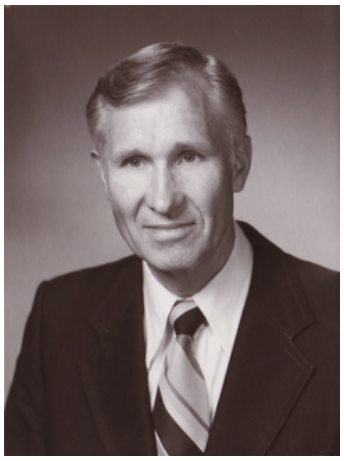

Wallace Lynn Pinegar

March 24, 1926 ~ July 14, 2022

Wallace Lynn Pinegar, a member of America's 'The Greatest Generation' died July 14, 2022 on the anniversary of his mother's 126th birthday in his home in Holladay, Utah. He was 96 years young. He was surrounded by loving family members at the time of his passing.

Lynn was born on March 24, 1926 in his grandmother's home in Price, Utah to John Franklin Pinegar and Grace Murl Ellis Pinegar. He was the middle child in a family of 10 children. His family lived in Wellington, Utah on a homestead settled by his grandparents Harvey and Josie Pinegar near the turn of the 1900s. The Pinegar family lived there until Lynn was about 4 years old then relocated to Utah County in search of better employment opportunities during the Great Depression years. As a youth and young man, Lynn worked hard doing whatever he could to help support his family, including spending summers in a tent with his older brothers working in the orchards, working on a neighbor's farm, construction at Geneva Steel, and many other jobs. He was an outstanding student and excelled in football, basketball, and drama at Spanish Fork High School. World War II broke out for the US following the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Two weeks after high school graduation, in 1944, Lynn wanted to join the Navy following in the footsteps of his two brothers Frank and Ralph, but because he was 6'-6"and too tall, he enlisted in the Army and was handpicked to be a Military Policeman assigned to the detail in Europe providing security to General Mark Clark. Lynn spent 2 ½ years in Italy and Austria and when the war ended returned home to shortly afterwards board a train to New Orleans and then a ship to Brazil to begin his 2 ½ service as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Both experiences forever shaped his life.

Upon returning from Brazil, he entered BYU. Shortly thereafter, he met a young freshman from Brigham City, Utah by the name of Mary Walker. They were married in November of 1950 in the Logan Temple and spent the first year in Spanish Fork, Utah. Lynn and Mary moved to Salt Lake City and he transferred to the University of Utah to pursue a degree in architecture. Their family started to grow and in 1955, they purchased a home in Holladay in which they have resided ever since.

Lynn had a great sense of duty to his country, community, profession, family, church, and God continuing until the very end to serve those in need. He was an architect by profession running a small business and was an outstanding business partner and mentor to the younger staff both at his Pinegar and Associates firm and later at VCBO Architecture. He was well respected among his peers and clients. Lynn was active in community service as he served for many years as chairman of the board at the Youth Detention Center where he designed the facility's non-denominational chapel. He served his church for his entire life as he tirelessly looked after and cared for the poor and needy as he served in many callings and countless church responsibilities. His favorite assignment was

serving as Mission President to the newly opened Lisbon Portugal Mission in 1975. With the help of over 200 missionaries, Lynn and Mary introduced the Gospel to the Portuguese people and prepared them for the blessing of a new temple in their homeland. He returned in 1990 as a regional representative to continue that service. Lynn was later called to serve as a Patriarch where he had the opportunity to bless the lives of thousands, along with his own posterity.

Lynn and Mary have six children – four boys and two daughters. They have 30 grandchildren and 58 great and 2 great great grandchildren. They were married for 71 and ½ years at the time of his death. He is proceeded in death by his mother, father, all nine siblings, a daughter Mary Jane Halterman, grandson Justin, granddaughter Sierra, and daughter-in-law Maureen Pinegar. He is survived by Jeffery (Shauna), John (Leila), Joseph (Laurie), Judd (Erica), Jeanne Johnson (Robert), along with many grand/great grandchildren, two sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be held in the Olympus Stake Center, 2675 East 4430 South, Salt Lake City, Utah, on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. There will be another viewing prior to the funeral on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM, also in the Olympus Stake Center followed by the funeral at noon.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Missionary Fund at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Those wishing to view the COMPLETED services via Zoom can click the "Watch Services" button or follow the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/XCMvK6Z9xMJvDmyzyTyxKRST4cMAAmQsp9fwVV4AgbUVN_EfsHcLsohepdTVFB3