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Ronald Clifton Mansfield passed away February 10, 2013 at the age of 79 from Parkinson's Disease. He was born December 22, 1933 in Salina, Utah. He was the first child of Rulon Mansfield and Ilene Poulson. When he was very young his parents moved to Los Angeles, California in search of work. They later moved to San Francisco and Ron told stories of the night Pearl Harbor was bombed. The family then moved back to Utah where employment was available to his dad in the building of Geneva Steel. Ron learned the value of hard work at an early age. Hoeing long rows of sugar beets, picking and selling water cress and packing crates of raspberries were some of the tasks he was required to do. His hardest job was collecting payments from his newspaper route customers. Ron graduated from Lincoln High School and attended Brigham Young University. He met the love of his life, Marilyn Griffiths, when she was ushering at the Scera Theater. Once he got the courage to ask for a date they were together from then on. They were married September 15, 1954 in the Salt Lake Temple. Ron worked for over thirty years at Geneva Steel in the Production Planning Department. He then spent twelve years working at Utah Valley University where he made lifelong friends. Ron loved to travel and was interested in World War II history. He always had a beautiful yard and planted a huge garden so his boys could learn how to work. He spent many hours building the family cabin at Bear Lake. Ron was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He willingly served in any calling, which included Stake Sunday School President, Ward Clerk, High Priest Group Leader and lifelong Home Teacher. His most proud accomplishment was his outstanding family of six sons. There are six Eagle Scouts, six college graduates-many with advanced degrees, many missionaries and six wonderful daughters-in-law. His boys always knew that they could ask for his help, whether it was finding a part at a yard sale or painting a house; he was always there for them. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; sons Mark Clifton (Suzanne



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Greenland) Tucson, Arizona, Paul Jay (Kerry Carlson) American Fork, Utah, Steven Rulon (Gayle Haderlie) Hyde Park, Utah, John Thomas (Pamela Hansen) Castle Rock, Washington, Scott Ronald (Jillanna Harward) Springville, Utah, Michael Loren (Alyson Tayler) Lindon, Utah. Ron is the proud grandfather of 22 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren with two more on the way. Each new addition to the family was a thrill to him. He is also survived by his brother Jay Mansfield (Norma) and sisters Karen Belliston and Darlene Thatcher (Robert). He is preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law Keith Belliston. A viewing will be held at the Lindon Central Stake Center 56 East 600 North (west of the Lindon Cemetery) Friday, February 15 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and 9:30 to 10:45 am on Saturday morning, February 16, with services at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be in the Orem City Cemetery. The family is very grateful for the kind and patient care by the Ashford Memory Care Center.



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SF

Silvia Fryer posted:

The obituary is so nice as his life was. Enjoyed visiting with him in your home. Now he is himself again, with all the health and energy to accomplish much more good. What a blessing we have the Gospel and know we will be reunited again forever. My Sympathy to Marilyn and the family.

February 22 at 6:41 AM

JD

Jennifer Davis posted:

Mike, I am so sorry for your loss. Your dad sounds like a wonderful man! I wish I could see his garden. May you find peace and comfort in the Lord's plan. Jennifer Davis

February 20 at 4:19 AM

MM

Maureen Richins Muaina posted:

I am so sorry for the passing of Ron-your husband, father and grandfather. I remember so many good times shared with your family and the great neighbors you were to us growing up. Ron was always helpful to everyone and you knew that he loved you, Marilyn, and all of you boys. May you be comforted in the days and months ahead. Aren't we blessed to know where he has gone?

February 17 at 4:42 AM

JL

Jeff Lott posted:

So sorry for your loss Scott.

February 15 at 5:20 PM

AB

Allan And Betty Beck posted:

We would like to share our sympathies to you and your family at the passing of Ron. We have great memories of you and Ron and your place in our lives. Let's get together sometime to visit and catch up. May you be comforted at this difficult time. Take care and know that we care about you.

February 15 at 1:05 PM



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JW

Jan Wells posted:

Dear Aunt Marilyn, Boys and families, I will miss Uncle Ronald. The memories I have go back to some of my earliest when we were all together having fun. There are camping trips, countless reunions, working at Tee Time, picking fruit at Grandma and Grandpas, sharing holidays and of course, the football games at the Scera Park. He was always the best example, the person who knew the right way to do things, the voice of reason and love. I still haven't figured out how he lost the vote to buy the first little red boat. Taking it out on Utah Lake for the first time, I can still hear him wondering about what possessed them to buy it. He was a good captain, though, and could drive it to get a skier up. When I was older an learned about his near drowning, I was even more impressed that he went along with the group and helped all of us learn to love boating. My memories could go on and on. I look forward to seeing all of you and sharing more then. He was the best! Love you all, Jan

February 15 at 7:31 AM

JF

John And Ann Freeze posted:

Ron moved into the Ashford just five days after my mom did. We were privileged to witness the love that his family members demonstrated toward him during his last weeks. It is a bittersweet time to watch a precious family let go of one so loved while knowing it is the end of one journey and a returning home celebration at the same time. It was good to get to know Paul and Kerry and we will miss seeing you at the Ashford.

February 14 at 4:06 PM

LH

Leon/Darlie Hunsaket posted:

Marilyn, we were so sorry to hear about Ron. We are in St George for the winter, but send our love and sympathy to you and your family at this time. May God's choicest blessings be with you.

February 14 at 12:07 PM

AP

Andrea Stout Pederson posted:

I was so sad to hear about your very sad loss. I always loved your family and appreciated your many contributions to our ward when I was growing up in Orem. May you be comforted at this difficult time and know that many others care. I remember Ron and Marilyn as always friendly and smiling and such nice sons too. God bless you all. Andrea

February 14 at 11:24 AM



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DL

Debbie And Doug Lang posted:

We send our love and sympathy to the family. We have many fond memories of being with Ron and Marilyn as we gathered with Paul and Kerry's family. The cabin at Bear Lake was a special place for enjoying family and we have been lucky enough to enjoy time in that relaxing cabin. Thank you, Ronald for all the building and work you continued to do up there. We love you all and wish for your peace and comfort as you put faith in Christ's plan of salvation. He was a great man and leaves a great posterity. Love and hugs!

February 14 at 10:56 AM

IF

Ivan & Karen Farnworth posted:

May you find peace and comfort in your memories and in your knowledge of being together again. He was a great man and friend. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Ivan and Karen Farnworth

February 13 at 4:50 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ronald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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