



Douglas S. Gardner

January 8, 1951 - August 14, 2018

Douglass Sparks Gardner, a kind son, brother, father and grandfather, passed away at the PeachTree Place assisted living community at the age of 67 on August 14th of 2018. He is survived by son Paul Robert (Emma) Gardner, daughter Andrea Elin (Joshua) Goff and son Trym Rambø Nerby, grandchildren Neo Gardner, Belle Gardner, Minea Lumerto and Ruben Lumerto, mother Estelle Gardner and siblings Dean (Catherine) Gardner, Kathy (Mike) Kallas, Kevin (Myrt) Gardner, David Gardner and Ray (Cindy) Gardner. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Turid Elin Vassbund Gardner and father Richard Manwaring Gardner.

Douglass was born January 8th in Delta, Utah, the first of six children. He graduated from Delta High school, and shortly after served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to the Oslo, Norway mission. After his mission he attended the University of Utah, where he would re-meet Turid Elin Vassbund, a young Norwegian girl. They would later be married and sealed in the Manti Temple. Douglass was a hardworking man who always provided and cared for his family. In addition to the two children that he and Turid would adopt, he also fostered three children, and many others would find a place in their home throughout the years. Though a quiet man, he was humorous, kind and loving. He will especially be remembered fondly by those he served as bishop for the Sandvika ward in Norway.

A viewing will be held at Premier Funeral services (5335 South 1950 West ., Roy, Utah, 84067) Friday, August 17th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Burial will be at Østenstad Kirkegård, Asker, Norway. Date to be announced.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to your local LDS missionary fund, or the Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org).

Tribute Wall

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“ *Debbie and I are in Toronto on a Church mission. Otherwise we would have seen you at the viewing/funeral. Doug lives on in a different arena, but still as a kind, thoughtful, compassionate, intelligent and faithful man. I am grateful that he and Turid are joyfully reunited. Bob Burton*

Bob Burton - August 18, 2018 at 10:41 PM



“ *When I first moved to Norway I remember being at church and Douglas was one of the first people to welcome me but this happened each week. When I was alone and at the lowest point of my life Douglas was there. Opening their home to me and helping me to know that I wasn't alone and if I needed anything he was there. Both Douglas and Turid were shining examples of the Saviours love and my life is much richer because of Douglas's example and caring. When I think of Douglas I will always remember the kindness he showed me and I hope that one day I could be just like him.*

Scott Lichau - August 18, 2018 at 08:50 PM



“ *Douglas helped me get a job when I came back to Norway after living in Australia. He became my boss, my bishop and my commute companion. He helped me in a very difficult and painful situation when I went through a painful divorce with a lot of drama. One time my back went out, and I could not move at all, so he and another brother had to kneel on my bed to be able to give me a blessing. If I ever needed any help, like moving from one place to another, he would always be there to help me out, together with Turid. After Turid passed away I tried to visit when I was in Hønefoss. We shared some good memories of her while going for a walk with the dog.*

Inger Vollheim - August 18, 2018 at 07:45 PM