



## Le Roy "Lee" Nile York

July 14, 1934 - October 16, 2018

Our beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather Le Roy "Lee" Nile York was called home Tuesday morning October 16, 2018.

He was born on July 14, 1934 to William Roy Columbus York and Irene King York Thomas & David Alfred Thomas. He was preceded in death by his eternal companion Louise Rae Bailey York (December 16, 2008), as well as his son Darin York (July 28, 1979), his parents and many more family and friends.

Lee and Louise were married on June 22, 1957, and later sealed to each other and their family, for time and eternity, in the Salt Lake Temple on June 6, 1972. He is survived by his 4 children, Dawna Baker (Larry), Brian York (Eve), Bradley York, and Douglas York (Karen), 16 grandkids and 2 great-grandkids. He is also survived by his sister Alene Thomas Bailey (Wayne), her four children, and her grandchildren. We all loved him so much and are grateful for the many memories and laughs we have shared with him over the years. We will miss all the conversations we had, we will miss his corny sense of humor but most of all we will simply miss him. We are very grateful that he is reunited and happy with his beautiful wife Louise. All who knew him know how much he missed her and longed to be reunited with her again.

Besides his family and friends, he cherished the relationships he held within the University of Utah, and specifically the Athletics Department. Not only was Lee a fan of "The U," he was also an employee (retiring from operating the Union building, as well as being an usher and vendor), a mentor and friend to the athletes and coaches, and just an overall great man of that school that most everyone knew and enjoyed interacting with.

Especially, in his post retirement years the players really grew to love "Pops York". Truly, if ever a man earned the right to be called a "Utah Man Sir", it was Lee York.

Secure in the knowledge our Savior Jesus Christ and knowing he has gone "home" now, has helped to ease his passing for his family and friends. We love you dad, grandpa, and "Pops"! God be with you till we meet again, families are forever, and of course... Go Utes!

Funeral Services will be held on Monday October 22, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Jordan North 1st Ward, 3900 S. 4000 W. The family will receive friends at a viewing Sunday evening from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the church, and two hours prior to the service on Monday. Interment: Valley View Memorial Park.

# Comments

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“ Oh how I wish you could have been around for this grand event pops! Today's announcement of the Stadium expansion is fabulous. Love and miss you tons.



**Brian York** - November 15, 2018 at 03:46 AM

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“ Just what can I say about this great man he was more than my dad he was my buddy we use enjoy going on rides to go pick fruit or just to go to enjoy each others company we use to talk about earth science and volcanic eruptions which was our favorite subject to discuss on our rides he loved his family with every breath he had but most of all he loved my dear mom and missed her very much since she died in 2008 it seemed like some of dad died to but he stayed cause his work on earth was not quite finished. But now he's is reunited with the love of his life and his son my brother Darn who died of a freak accidental death in 1979 and all his beloved family who died before him are having a great family reunion in heaven and though my heart is heavy with grief from losing you dad its also my greatest relief just knowing your there with mom and Darin and waiting for me to come home

**Dawna Baker** - October 24, 2018 at 01:31 PM

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“ Good morning everybody friends & family. First start out with Saturday gave me the assurance that there is football in Heaven” Dad when called home said I’ll only go if you can guarantee my Utes will BEAT USC” and I can be a part of it! The memories that I have a my father are several how can you sum up 51 years of knowledge with a man into a short four minute talk to me impossible, but I’ll try. I remember dad in the early years going fishing, camping, our greenhouse which he loved to garden, catching and barbecuing grasshoppers and Darin asking what we were doing with them? And dad replied (jokingly)we are eating them and of course Darin had to try. Various family trips to Disneyland, Indiana, CO and many more. Backing out of my garage in CA and hitting his Cadillac and did I stop Oh no I continue to go down the whole driveway and his Cadillac, working at the Utah games with him talking about sports and his love for the Utes embedded in my mind sitting down in front of the radio not watching it on TV (Although my kids probably think that TV was invented yet) listening to it with him every game basketball and football he never missed a beat he & I would go for a ride just to listen to the game.

His Jokes “Wrinkled old prune” Good night John boy!

Vac u dent his dental invention which I believe components are still used today, York Appliances, he handy man and could fix anything, including Dr York sewing up my chin at 2 AM, X-Mas shopping by bus just to spend one-on-one time with each one of the kids.

July 28, 1979 Darin’s death hit him hard softened him physically crushed him mentally I remember that day as it was yesterday. The list can go on, but my biggest memory of my father is kneeling at the Salt Lake Temple yes albeit at age 5, having that opportunity on June 6, 1972 him giving the love of his life her biggest DREAM “to live with her family for Eternity” Having that is the biggest blessing and the Greatest memory that my father gave me and I love you for that. Dad thank you so much until we meet again God bless you



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“ Mary Hasna

I was so sorry to hear that Lee had passed away. I have so many childhood memories of the fun times I spent with Lee and Louise. He was a great cousin.

Mary Hasna - October 22, 2018 at 01:29 AM

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“ Robert, sorry for your loss.



Louanne Olsen - October 21, 2018 at 08:55 PM

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“ Rip Uncle

Dennis Dolick - October 21, 2018 at 01:17 PM

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“ Dennis Dolick lit a candle in memory of Le Roy "Lee" Nile York



Dennis Dolick - October 21, 2018 at 12:18 PM

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“ Tom Shoemake lit a candle in memory of Le Roy "Lee" Nile York



**Tom Shoemake** - October 20, 2018 at 02:45 PM

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“ I loved our phone conversations. We talked about life and how things were back in The day and how they are now .

We both enjoyed deep conversations

**Dusya Lyubovskaya** - October 20, 2018 at 09:33 AM

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“ Linda Langevin lit a candle in memory of Le Roy "Lee" Nile York



**Linda Langevin** - October 20, 2018 at 12:58 AM

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**Premier Funeral Services** - October 19, 2018 at 04:31 PM



“ There aren't enough words in the Webster's dictionary to describe what a wonderful dad my father was and I'm going to miss him so much but it also gives me the greatest comfort just knowing his dream has finally came true to rejoin his sweetheart of 52 yrs of wedding bliss before she was taken away suddenly from him and her children. I'm glad your with mom and Darin again as well your family thats passed on beforehand but daddy you'll be finally home now resting that heavenly bliss  
Love You daddy always Dawna

**Dawna Baker** - October 20, 2018 at 02:06 AM