



Norman Ray Cannell

January 5, 1927 - September 11, 2020

Norman R. Cannell, our beloved father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend, peacefully passed away after fighting a valiant battle with dementia and other age-related ailments. After 13 yrs. of being widowed, he joined his lovely wife Beverly and other loved ones waiting for him on the other side of the veil on September 11th, 2020.

Norman was born in Smithfield, Utah Jan. 5th, 1927 to Horace and Ethel Cannell. He had 14 siblings and his growing up years were spent in Burley, Idaho. He spent a lot of time in his youth at his grandparent's farmstead in Smithfield, UT. learning how to work hard on a farm.

He graduated from Burley High School and shortly after joined the U.S. Navy and proudly served at the end of WWII. He always talked fondly of his time in the Navy. He attended Utah State University, where he met his wife Beverly Condie and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple Aug. 22nd, 1952. Norm graduated from USU with a bachelor's degree in audiology and speech pathology. He went on to earn a master's degree at Idaho State University. He worked for the renowned School for the Deaf in Sioux Falls, SD for 10 Yrs. He loved the hearing and audiology field so much, he packed up his family and moved to sunny California where he successfully ran his own hearing aid business for many years until retiring.

Norman devoted many hours of service building LDS chapels in various areas he and his family lived. He was a great example of showing kindness and love by serving those around him, whether he knew them or not.

In Norm's spare time he enjoyed the great outdoors. He loved hunting, fishing, gardening, being a handyman and taking in a good landscape on long drives when hitting the open road. He also could be found glued to the TV watching any kind of sports he could find. You always knew when a team made a touchdown, homerun or a great basket from the 3 point line by the hoot-in and hollering from the other room.

Norm had a great love for music and loved to sing in the choir at church. He had a beautiful tenor voice. He also loved to play his harmonica and guitar as well.

He is survived by his children: Curtis (Claudia) Philip (Gwen) Brenda Auton (Ken) Pam Zorn (Kurt) Julie Walters (Bradley)

He was admired by his 23 grandchildren, and 23 great grandchildren.

Brother; Merlin Cannell. Sisters; Ruth Warner, Deanne Mendenhall, and Carol Martin. Funeral services will be held Tues. Sept.22, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. at Premier Funeral Home, 5335 S 1950 W, Roy, UT. A viewing for family and friends will be from 10:00 A.M. until 10:45 A.M. prior to the funeral service. Interment will be at the Salt Lake City Cemetery. Condolences can be sent to the family at www.premierfuneral.com
The family expresses much gratitude for all the nurses, CNA's and other volunteers that gave unconditional love and care to our dad. Thank you!

Comments



“ I was Grateful to have Dad live with me in Surprise, AZ... he loved the pool! I would bring home 5 gallon buckets filled with pecans and we had a production line, bowls, nut crackers, jars, etc! He would come to work with me Just to pick pecans! Then, we moved to Snowflake AZ and I would take him for drives and he would often say... I love being the Passenger! He loved the Clouds against the Blue Skiies And he would have me Take a picture!

We saw a sign on the highway that said alpacas and we drove until we found the farm and he absolutely fell in love with these beautiful creatures. We bought five and he would go out and walk around with them, singing them songs. We had one mama alpaca give birth but then she abandoned her baby. I had to bottlefeed that baby for six months and it was just like having a baby! Feedings were every two hours and then gradually to every four hours. Norm would always go out for the 9 o'clock and the 11 o'clock feeding and hold the flashlight for me while I fed this little baby. He would tell me to wake him up at 1 in the morning and again at 3 but I always let him sleep.



karen cannell - October 22, 2021 at 11:02 PM



“ We are sorry to hear of your loss. We will be unable to make the funeral, but want you to know how much we loved your dad and your mom. We enjoyed our association with them during our time in Sioux Falls. We have you in our prayers and hope all goes well tomorrow. Love, Dixie and Russell Harward

Dixie Harward - September 21, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ In 1986, during Christmas break from school, my husband, Bart, and I (Shaunalie Gollaher Fotheringham) along with our little 6 month old, Trina, decided to go to Disneyland. We figured we would stay at Uncle Norm and Aunt Bev's home in San Bernadino. Do you think we bothered to call and ask if we could? No, we just showed up! They didn't even blink. We were greeted with other cousins, Tracy and Marsha Smith, as well as my parents, Max and Fern Gollaher. They even had some friends who were "holed up" there for a few days. Needless to say, they were magnanimous. All were welcome. I remember sitting in the kitchen late at night and visiting while eating oranges and other fun treats. Uncle Norm was always kind and I loved his soft voice.

Shaunalie Fotheringham - September 20, 2020 at 08:50 AM



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Julie Walters - September 20, 2020 at 12:46 AM