



Jerry B Folsom

September 2, 1932 - January 16, 2019

Jerry Binns Folsom
1932-2019

Jerry Binns Folsom was born 2 Sept 1932 to Donald Whitaker and Ellen Rose Binns Folsom in Salt Lake City UT. He died 16 Jan 2019 at South Jordan UT at the age of 86.

He attended Davis High School, the University of Utah, and USC, where he earned a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering. At the U of U he met Geraldine Jamison. They were married in 1953. They had 5 children: Kathryn McGhee (Lane), Steven Folsom (Diana), Elizabeth Taylor (Gary), Brian Folsom (Chris), and Mary Ellen Luna (Bob). They lived in Salt Lake City and Val Verda UT, Inglewood CA, Centerville UT, Loveland CO, and South Jordan UT. In 2011 he married Rolleene Mortensen Childs.

Jerry spent most of his professional career at Hewlett Packard where he was an Electrical Engineer in integrated circuit design. He saw major advances in technology through his career. After retiring he and Geri moved to South Jordan UT.

Jerry loved the outdoors and especially enjoyed hiking, camping, going on trips with the Scouts, and photographing the beauties of nature. He and his brother were active hikers well into their eighties.

Jerry had a dry, witty sense of humor and took pleasure in plays on words and puns. At times you needed to pay close attention to understand and appreciate his jokes.

Jerry led a life filled with service, including serving in many varied callings in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He also volunteered for over 20 years with tax preparation for Seniors, cared for his wife Geri prior to her passing, and continued helping and serving others, formally and informally, until his death.

Jerry is survived by his five children, his wife Rolleene, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held Thursday 24 Jan 2019 at 11:00 AM with viewing prior, 9:30-10:30 AM. A viewing will be held Wednesday 23 Jan, 6:00-8:00 PM. These will be held at the LDS Chapel at 1409 West Shields Lane, South Jordan UT.

Interment will be in the South Jordan cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the LDS Humanitarian Fund.

Cemetery

South Jordan Cemetery

10650 S 1055 W
South Jordan, UT,

Events

JAN 23 **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM
LDS Church
1409 West Shields Lane, South Jordan, UT, US

JAN 24 **Viewing #2** 09:30AM - 10:30AM
LDS Church
1409 West Shields Lane, South Jordan, UT, US

JAN 24 **Funeral Service** 11:00AM
LDS Church
1409 West Shields Lane, South Jordan, UT, US

Comments



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Thomas Rueckert - January 23 at 11:17 PM



“ I got to know Jerry and Rolleen while serving a mission at the Family History Book Scanning Center in West Valley City. They were serving a Church Service Mission until the Jordan River Temple opened after an extensive remodel. As time for their mission to end, I would encourage them to keep coming. I loved their beautiful personalities. I could joke with Jerry and he would do likewise, much better than I. I had the opportunity to take him home from the temple last summer. What a joy to serve this wonderful man. I will miss him and his wonderful spirit. He had a sharp wit. He was diligent in his service. He wanted to give the best service he could. He was a perfectionist. I know that he will continue his search for family members so someone can do the temple work. I thank Heavenly Father for the opportunity I had to know Jerry.

Judy reep - January 23 at 03:16 PM



“ I didn't personally know Jerry, but he and my oldest brother, Glen Fisher, were schoolmates and pals, both graduating with honors from Davis HS, class of 1950. The Folsom residence is just a couple doors up the street, and once I recall Jerry with hand shears trimming the enormous Privet hedge that fronted the estate. I thought, he will never make it, and keep it looking good. Alas I was wrong, record breaking time and perfect. I've been away from Centerville for many decades, but when I walk the dog now and pass their former home, I say to myself, "the Folsom house."

Bruce Fisher

Bruce Fisher - January 23 at 01:10 PM



“ From Corinne Walker

In June of 1975 we moved to Loveland, Colorado. My husband started work at Hewlett-Packard and I was pregnant with our first child. We were welcomed into the ward the first Sunday by our Bishop, Bishop Folsom. I remember his counselors, Brother Fischer (or Fisher) and Dan Merrill. They made a great team.

We had our first little girl and the first Thanksgiving in Loveland, we were invited to the Bishop's home for a grand feast! There were several other young couples invited too. I remember eating shrimp cocktail, which I had really never had. My father was Jewish and we never had shrimp because it is not kosher! But, I liked the shrimp and the great dinner and company. Kathy was serving a mission in Japan and we heard so much about her mission and how proud her parents were of her service.

We called the bishop, "Bishop", but Geri always called him "Mr. Jerry". A memory of everyone who called the house will be the same, "May I please talk to Geri, you are talking to Jerry" he would reply.

Bishop Folsom always had puns and funny jokes to share. I could tell that his family did not always appreciate them! We also loved the witty Christmas letters.

I remember him telling us about working in Salt Lake City on a project. Mr Jerry was an engineer developing the microwave oven. He said that they would cook hot dogs and left over spaghetti for lunch. The microwave oven was as big as a room and he said that they never thought it would become small enough to be useful! How times changed in Mr Jerry's lifetime!

I remember going to the house to have a temple recommend interview in his office. My first since going to the temple for the first time. It was a very reverent experience. I remember the testimonies that Bishop Folsom bore, always difficult to get the words out he would be so emotional, but you could feel his conviction and strong spirit.

I am thankful for the wonderful service that Bishop Folsom gave. I know he loved his family very much and was a great example to us of service and friendship through the years. My condolences to your family.

Corinne Walker - January 20 at 08:47 PM



“ My condolences to the family and friends. Words can never express your hearts pain. I'll like to share what the God of all comfort promise, to swallow up death forever soon. Isaiah 25: 8

Linda - January 19 at 03:01 PM