



Larry Culberson

March 10, 1944 - October 31, 2014

Larry Culberson, 70, entered into the presence of his Lord and Savior on October 31, 2014, in Sandy, Utah. He was born in Pana, IL, on March 10, 1944 to Robert and Doris Culberson. He married Carole Pauley in Peoria, IL, on September 4, 1965. They were the proud parents of Nathan (Tracy) of Tulsa, OK, Joel (Veronica) of Topeka, KS, Aaron (Terri) of Sandy, and Rebecca (Fred) Palfreyman of West Jordan.

He earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Bradley University, graduating magna cum laude, an M.S. and PhD. in Civil Engineering from Oklahoma State University. As an engineer for Chicago Bridge and Iron, he worked in Texas, Chicago, Memphis, and Salt Lake City. After closing the Salt Lake plant he then worked for FMC Jetway for 17 years. He was presently employed by Tetra Tec. More important to him than his employment was his relationship with Jesus Christ. This was evident in his love for his family and friends, and in his concern for people in need. He was a member of Midvalley Bible Church, where he sang with the Praise and Worship Team, served as Deacon and Elder (Chairman of the Board), worked with children as an Awana leader (25 years), and ministered through various other responsibilities. His favorite Bible verse was Galatians 2:20.

Larry umpired high school and legion baseball games for 24 years and was Chairman of the Board of CBI/Midvalley Federal Credit Union for 28 years. An accomplished pianist and vocalist, he enjoyed music, as well as spending time with his family at the cabin (Cub's Den), and traveling with his wife. He race-walked the St. George Marathon twice. He also loved bowling, water and snow skiing, reading, and especially playing with his 16 grand-kids.

Besides being survived by his wife, four children, and 16 grandchildren, his sister Nancy (Lee) Netherton lives in Siloam Springs, AR, and his brother Roger (Eileen) lives in Pana, IL. Larry was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of Larry's life will be held at Midvalley Bible Church on Friday, November 7, at 7:00 pm. The church is located at 13895 South 2700 West.

The family thanks Gold's Gym and Ben Anderson for their professionalism in helping Larry when he collapsed during a training session.

Please share memories and condolences at <http://www.serenityfhs.com>. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to Midvalley Bible Church, PO Box 936, Bluffdale,

UT 84065.

Events

NOV **Celebration of Life** 07:00PM - 09:00PM

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Midvalley Bible Church

13895 South 2700 West, Riverton, UT, US

Comments



“ Psalm 112 describes a man who fears the Lord. Every phrase in this psalm fits Larry:

"Praise the Lord!
Blessed is the man who fears the Lord,
Who delights greatly in His commandments.
2 His descendants will be mighty on earth;
The generation of the upright will be blessed.
3 Wealth and riches will be in his house,
And his righteousness endures forever.
4 Unto the upright there arises light in the darkness;
He is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.
5 A good man deals graciously and lends;
He will guide his affairs with discretion.
6 Surely he will never be shaken;
The righteous will be in everlasting remembrance.
7 He will not be afraid of evil tidings;
His heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.
8 His heart is established;
He will not be afraid,
Until he sees his desire upon his enemies.
9 He has dispersed abroad,
He has given to the poor;
His righteousness endures forever;
His horn will be exalted with honor."

Larry was outgoing, friendly, sensitive, a peacemaker, conscientious, prompt, self-disciplined, opinionated, occasionally forceful (I wasn't blind) but always willing to learn, open to other ideas. We loved and appreciated Larry. I loved Larry as a friend and a co-worker in ministry as well.

When I decided it was time to retire last year, I knew the church would continue to flourish under Larry's capable leadership and he indeed stepped up to the plate. I had no hesitation in leaving this ministry to the oversight of several godly leaders, especially Larry. A verse in Revelation 14:13 talks about the death of believers and says "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. 'Yes,' says the Spirit, 'they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.'"

Larry is extremely blessed in heaven, but desperately missed here on earth. However, his deeds will continue to bear fruit in each of our lives.

Pastor Ken Hornok



“ Dear Carole and family,
We were deeply shocked and saddened by the news of Larry's home going. But we KNOW he was welcomed into eternity with the words; Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant! Whenever I saw Larry he greeted me with a sincere hug and kind words. This always warmed my heart.
The two of you were kind and generous to our family during our years on the mission field, we were so grateful. He will be deeply missed by so many. Please know we are keeping you in our prayers as you travel this new journey.
Love,
Rosie and Tom Thacher and family

Rosie Thacher - November 14, 2014 at 01:04 PM



“ Dear Carole and family,

Sylvia and I were so shocked at the passing of Larry. I remember seeing both of you many times at the gym. We are so sorry for your loss and we will remember you in our daily prayers. We have such fond memories of all of your family and the way our families messed through the years. Thanks for sharing the beautiful obituary to help us learn more of this fantastic man and his contribution to our society. I was shocked to realize we both worked for CBI. That fact never came up in any of our conversations.
May God bless you and your family.

Fred and Sylvia Farmer

Fred & Sylvia Farmer - November 13, 2014 at 02:32 PM



“ We are praying for Carole and the family. We will always remember Larry as a "Barnabas" to us because he always encouraged us to keep serving the Lord. May God continue to use Larry's godly testimony to draw others to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

With much love and prayers,
Jim and Lynda Dugan
Sydney, Australia

Lynda Dugan - November 06, 2014 at 03:48 PM



“ Carol, so sorry for your loss. Our deepest sympathy to you and family. May God give you comfort at this most difficult time.

Chuck and Donna Crider

Donna Crider - November 05, 2014 at 10:02 PM



“ Larry was a complete man. Our paths have intersected in a variety of arenas. We enjoyed participating in race-walks together. Jim and Larry were both engineers; Larry helped in the design of a plant at Bacchus that Jim participated in a safety analysis of. Jim served on the church board with Larry for many years and was impressed with his problem solving ability. We worked in the Awana club where Larry displayed his love for children. Larry led a pastoral search activity in which Jim participated. Larry taught financial courses that benefited both the church and community. His home provided food and lodging for guest speakers and missionaries. Larry gave us a newsletter subscription which showed his interest in social issues. His engineering background and financial skill were extremely helpful as Midvalley built a new worship center in Bluffdale. His participation in the church music team led us in praise to God through many years. He arranged greeters to attract new people to Midvalley desiring to attract visitors to the Lord we love. For Larry the Bible is God's engineering manual for life. Now Larry has departed to a better place; we look forward to joining him in God's timing. Our thoughts and prayers are with Carole and the entire Culberson family. A great leader, friend, and man of God has been taken from us for a while. Larry was a man that whatever he did in word or deed, he did it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men. (Colossians 3:23 adapted)

Jim and Pauline Thacher - November 05, 2014 at 07:26 PM



“ My prayers go out to the family in this time of grief. May God ease your pain and comfort your hearts.

Daryl Myrick - November 05, 2014 at 07:42 AM



“ Beth Culberson Hilton lit a candle in memory of Larry Culberson



Beth Culberson Hilton - November 04, 2014 at 11:03 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Pauley Reunion



Kevin Miller - November 04, 2014 at 10:58 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Kauai Memories



Kevin Miller - November 04, 2014 at 10:51 PM



“ Larry was always solid and encouraging when I visited Midvalley. The family is in our prayers for God's comfort and peace.

Marvin Porter

Marvin Porter - November 04, 2014 at 09:00 PM



“ I considered Larry a very good friend, and I will miss him greatly. He was truly an amazing man. I am so sorry for your loss, Carole. We serve a mighty God, and I am praying for comfort for you and your family.

Stephen Belisle - November 04, 2014 at 07:20 PM



“ Marsha Carroll Hrabak lit a candle in memory of Larry Culberson



Marsha Carroll Hrabak - November 04, 2014 at 05:43 PM



“ When we first joined Midvalley, Larry and his wife Carole always were the first to greet us and made church felt like home. I will never forget him giving me side hugs and telling me what an amazing mother I was and that my kids were beautiful. I will miss his support and unwavering faith in me and my husband. He was an amazing man!

Jocee - November 04, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ 3 files added to the album New Album Name



Renee Netherton - November 04, 2014 at 03:32 PM



“ I have so many memories of my wonderful Uncle Larry I could never fit them all here. I remember when all us cousins would sleep along the floor of an upstairs room at my Grandparents' lake house it would take forever for us to calm down and go to sleep. They always sent up the adults one at a time to get us to go to bed. Larry was the final word. Once he was on his way up we were toast.

He is also the one who would drive the boat when taking us innertubing and go round and round and round until the wake was so huge you had to use everything you had to hold on.

Larry has been an amazing Uncle. Larry and Carole came all the way from Utah to Florida for my wedding. We have spent many New Year's Eves celebrating Christmas together. We have spent many summer hours on the lake skiing, playing board games, eating good food and laughing and laughing and laughing. He has been an important part of my life for almost 50 years. I love him like a father. And I will miss him a great deal. I am so comforted by thinking of him with Grandma and Grandpa singing to Jesus just waiting to see us all again someday.

Renee Netherton - November 04, 2014 at 03:22 PM



“ To Rebecca and family and to your mother and siblings all the lovely children and grandchildren. Thinking of you. Jo.

Jo - November 08, 2014 at 11:00 AM



“ He was one of the first people to say hello to my son every Sunday at church. Thank you for your great example and for helping my family when needed. We will miss you, but we rejoice in knowing that you are singing amongst the angels and God!

Paul - November 04, 2014 at 02:01 PM