



Richard H Wight

October 30, 1937 - February 18, 2017

Richard H Wight, aged 79, passed away on February 18, 2017, in Murray, Utah. An amazing father, grandfather, brother, uncle and great-grandfather, Richard was born on October 30, 1937 in Union, Oregon. He was the second of three sons born to Lowen Hansen Wight and Anna Johanne Hendrickson Wight. He married Judith Ann Eccles in the Los Angeles Temple on September 6, 1963.

Richard graduated from high school in Warden, Washington and attended community college in Pasco. He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) from 1958 to 1961. He was assigned to the Southern Far East Mission and worked in the countries of Hong Kong and Taiwan. Upon his return, he joined the United States Air Force Reserves at Fairchild Air Force Base in Spokane, Washington. He attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and graduated with a degree in Asian Studies in 1964.

Richard worked many jobs, but he spoke most often about his over 30 years of military service in the Army Reserves and Air Force Reserves. He traveled to many areas of the country, and his world travels included assignments in Korea, Japan, and Bosnia. He worked as a Chinese Linguist and in an Air Cargo Unit at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. He retired from the Air Force at the rank of Master Sergeant on his sixtieth birthday, October 30, 1997.

Other employers included the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the LDS Church, the Utah State Prison, and the Deseret Chemical Weapons Depot. He also held numerous part-time jobs throughout his life, but felt great satisfaction in the work he did as a teacher's aide with handicapped students and in Chinese-immersion classrooms.

After he retired, Richard and Judy served at the LDS Church Family and Church History Headquarters Mission in Salt Lake City. He took great joy in leading tours, especially with visitors who spoke Chinese.

Richard is survived by his spouse, Judy Wight; his children and their spouses, Michael Wight, Kelly Hill (Mike), Timothy Wight (Sheryl), Kevin Wight (Tina, now deceased), Jamie Mose (Alualu), and Erin Flinders (Peter); 23 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren who dearly miss his presence and companionship. Richard was preceded in death by his parents and his younger brother, Dwayne H Wight.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the LDS Church, 11420 South 700 West, Draper, Utah. At the same location, viewing and family visitation will occur on Tuesday, February 21st from 6:30 to 8:00 PM and on Wednesday, February 22nd from 9:00 to 9:45 AM. Interment will occur at the Utah Veterans Cemetery and Memorial Park in Bluffdale, Utah.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the LDS Church mission fund or a charity of your choice.

Please share photos, memories, and condolences at www.serenityfhs.com

Cemetery Details

Utah Veterans Memorial Park - Camp Williams

17111 S. Camp Williams Road
Bluffdale, UT 84065

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 21. 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

River View 3rd Ward
11420 S 700 W
Draper, UT

Viewing #2

FEB 22. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (MT)

River View 3rd Ward
11420 S 700 W
Draper, UT

Funeral Service

FEB 22. 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM (MT)

River View 3rd Ward
11420 S 700 W
Draper, UT

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard H Wight*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM

ME

“ *What a wonderful Angel heaven has received. We have known Richard for only a few years,, Yet in that time we have come to realize what a great man he was. We would always see Richard attending to his beautiful yard. He seemed to be a little busy bee from sun up to sun down. He always kept his yard in tip top shape. He was a man who enjoyed life and his love of gardening kept him young at heart. Even his truck was shiny all the time.*



When I would see him outside I would always stop and say hi. He reminded me so much of my own grandfather and we would just chat away. I recall our last conversation was just a few days ago as he was getting eggs from the chickens. He was telling me "them chickens lay so many eggs, that he tried to eat 3 of them a day as he did not want them to go to waste"...we just chuckled.

May his light forever shine bright in the hearts of all that were lucky enough to have known him. I will, without a doubt miss his smiling face, his charming and friendly personality for he has forever left a lasting impression in my heart.

Richard will greatly be missed. Our hearts go out to Judy and her family. May Richard's loving light forever watch over his beloved bride and his loving family.

It has always been said that there are no mistakes in the Universe and everything happens for a reason. The Wight's were obviously meant to come into our lives and we are honored that they chose us to share their home as it gave us the opportunity to know such a great man. I only wished there would of been more time to share more stories...:(

Love the Wight's tenants,

Dan & Melinda

Melinda - February 21, 2017 at 11:41 PM

RA

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Rachel - February 21, 2017 at 02:51 PM

RC

“ Richard and I would talk a lot about politics, chickens and gardening. He was a good friend. He will be missed.
Richard Christensen

Richard Christensen - February 21, 2017 at 01:32 PM

 Kerry
Goodrich

“ Im so grateful for the influence of this family on mine... I am so grateful for the time I got to spend with him before he passed.



Kerry Goodrich - February 21, 2017 at 07:47 AM

CJ

“ *Christie & Alan Jensen lit a candle in memory of Richard H Wight*



Christie & Alan Jensen - February 21, 2017 at 05:44 AM

CH

We have you in our prayers and thoughts at this time Kevin and Family.

Christie - February 21, 2017 at 05:46 AM

MH

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mike hill - February 20, 2017 at 04:38 PM

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