



Wayne E Saunders

March 17, 1932 - October 19, 2014

Wayne E Saunders, age 82, passed away on October 19, 2014 in Herriman, UT. He was born March 17, 1932 in Ogden, Utah to Clarence Reuben Saunders and Opal Wyoming Crouch. He married Delma Kathryn Grigg on June 13, 1958 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years and 9 children: Karen Birdsall (Blake), David Saunders (Jill), Loraine Lott (Lon), Bruce Saunders (Holly), John Saunders (Adria), Richard Saunders (Lisa), Robert Saunders (Liann), Kathy Gibson (Robert), Jeanette McArthur (Troy); 45 Grandchildren and 23 Great-grandchildren.

Wayne was active in the LDS Church having served as Bishop, Stake President, Patriarch, and Temple Sealer, but he felt his greatest accomplishments and joy were with his family. Together, we enjoyed camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, skiing, and the beautiful world he loved. In his words, "I have loved this earth and the great majesty of the Lord's creation."

Dad loved people and felt great satisfaction in serving his fellowmen in whatever way he could. He enjoyed teaching, both in the schools and in the Church.

He had a deep and abiding testimony of our Heavenly Father and of our

Savior, Jesus Christ. He said, "I know that Christ lives and I believe in Him and thank Him for all He has given us."

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at the Herriman Rose Canyon Stake Center 7079 W. Rose Canyon Rd. Herriman, Utah. Prior to the services there will be a viewing from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

There will also be a viewing Friday evening, October 24, 2014 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Rose Crest LDS church 14132 Emmeline Dr., Herriman, Utah. Interment will be at the Herriman City Cemetery.

You may share memories and condolences at www.serenityfhs.com.

Cemetery Details

Herriman City

12465 S Pioneer St (6000 W)
Herriman, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

RoseCrest LDS Church
14132 Emmeline Drive
Herriman, UT

Viewing

OCT **25**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Herriman Rose Canyon Stake Center
7079 W. Rose Canyon Road
Herriman, UT 84096

Funeral Service

OCT **25**. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Wayne E Saunders

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ Delma Saunders and family.

You and Wayne have been true friends to our family for all of our lives. Thank you so much for all the wonderful influence you and Wayne has had on the Christensen family. My older Brothers, Bryant and Greg sure loved to spend time with Wayne beginning, when he was a student at BYU and lived near us. I remember going deer hunting with him and my other brothers when I was just a young teenager in the late 60's. He was always so fun to be around and taught all of us so much. He also gave my son a wonderful patriarchal blessing in Herriman. We have been at his house for a fireside, when he was our stake patriarch. He bore a powerful testimony of the restoration of the church and the Prophet Joseph Smith. Thank you for the sweet memories and we look forward to seeing him again.

Thanks Bruce Saunders for the warm hello you gave us at the funeral. The Saunders are a wonderful family!

Sincerely,

Jared and Janet Christensen and Family.

Jared Christensen - November 03, 2014 at 06:45 AM

BG

“ Lots of memories of our days in Boise raising our kids together. So surprised and saddened by Wayne's passing! One of our favorite memories of those days in Boise is when we all went together with our kids to find and chop down our own Christmas tree! One time Bo and Wayne went together. Wayne even drove your big light blue Oldsmobile! No four wheel drive or anything. Can't remember how they got the trees home, but Bo does remember that the farther they walked to find a tree the better the trees began to look even if they had very few branches. We have photos of one time when the kids brought their sleighs and had a great time sleigh riding down the hill. We figured the Christmas tree we got was that last pick of all, and probably considering all, it was the most expensive in time and effort and price of the gas. The memories of being in that new ward in Boise with this wonderful Saunders family as friends and associates was just the best! Though we haven't seen the Saunders a lot since we all moved to SLC, we will always consider them some of our dearest friends! Love and sympathy to Delma and the big wonderful family! Bev and Bo Graham

Bev and Bo Graham - November 02, 2014 at 08:51 PM

LH

“ Dear Richard, Lisa and family, We love and admire you, your family and your dear father! Please know our thoughts and prayer are with you and your family with the passing of your beloved father. With love, Utah Salt Lake City South Mission Presidency

Larry Hansen - October 27, 2014 at 03:49 PM

KJ

“ Wayne was always a true friend and example to the Christensen's of Provo Utah. What a great man...with a wonderful wife and family.
Karen Christensen Johansson

Karen Johansson - October 26, 2014 at 03:05 PM

CK

“ Patriarch Saunders has been a light in our families life. Giving amazing blessings to all our children and sharing his amazing insight of the immortality and eternal life of man. We will miss him, but rejoice with him as he enters a new realm. Christopher & Linda Kennedy & Children

Christopher Kennedy - October 25, 2014 at 12:19 PM

CS

“ Loraine,
I'm so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I'm sorry for you and your family ~ I know you all will miss him. He, we know, is in a better place. I know of your love for him as you've shared with me how he loved you. My prayers are with you all. Chris Stolworthy

Christine Stolworthy - October 24, 2014 at 08:36 AM

GC

“ I called Wayne on his birthday for 40 or more years now he will rest in heaven forever and hope to meet him there some day.
With love Greg and Linda Christensen

Greg Christensen and Linda Curley Christ - October 24, 2014 at 08:03 AM

DR

“ Hello Delma and Family, I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of Wayne. Wayne and you were just superb neighbors and the contributions you both made to our family are cherished memories. Wayne gave enlightened counsel to my wife and me during troublesome times that were greatly appreciated. He is a very very fine man who seved many and was a great example of righteous manhood and priesthood leadership. I share sincere respect for you both. I wish you and all of your family well and pray for the Lord to comfort you in this loss.

*Very Sincerely, Dee Russell
Neighbor, Union 8th Ward*

Dee Russell - October 23, 2014 at 01:26 PM

VR

“ Dear Karen, Sorry about your dad. Though your heart must hold deep sadness at the loss of one you loved, may it also hold the blessings of the life you shared and the love that will always be a part of you

Sympathy Violet Ratledge-Wayman and Ruth Wayman

Violet Ratledge-Wayman - October 23, 2014 at 12:31 PM

LT

“ Dear Dave, I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. I know how much you love him. I've been where you are, and it is a painful place, but it's also filled with joy, pride, gratitude, and countless wonderful memories. As Dr. Seuss said, "Don't be sad that it's over, be glad that it happened."

Linda Taylor

Linda Taylor - October 23, 2014 at 07:31 AM

WB

“ We love this dear sweet man!! He has been a wonderful home teacher/friend to our family. He truly blessed our family in so many ways. We appreciate his dedication to our family and are so thankful for the spirit he brought with him each time. He was so positive and we knew he loved life, loved his family and had a strong testimony of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We will always treasure those memories.

At this time we want the Saunders family to know that we are keeping you in our prayers and pray that you may have comfort during this difficult time.

Love,

The Wayne Bowen family

Wayne Bowen - October 22, 2014 at 10:45 PM

LL

“ The memories come flooding to my mind as I sit and look at dad's picture. He always had my best interests in mind and was always concerned about me. I remember our camping trips in the Uinta's, always away from everyone and everything, we would hang around our camping areas and just be together as a family. At an early age, he taught me to love God's creations. I always had a garden I could putter around in and it was fun to be out with him in the dirt talking about the plants. He loved the earth and all it has to offer. He loved the animals and especially he loved helping people. He was good at that. I loved the look in his eyes when he told me he loved me and the warm embrace when I would come to visit. I love my dad and all he has taught me over the years and will always think of him while out in nature, enjoying the sunshine or walking in the snow. He loved all seasons of the year and I think he loved all the seasons of his life. What a great example he was to so many people. I will miss you dad. I love you. Loraine

Loraine Lott - October 22, 2014 at 11:39 AM