



Archie Verdell Farnsworth Jr.

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Archie Verdell Farnsworth Jr. left this mortal life on July 28, 2021, two weeks after turning 80 years old. He was born in Mesa, Arizona and graduated with a Bachelors degree in Mechanical Engineering from ASU. Before graduating, he met his beloved wife, Jacqueline, who would be his best friend and comfort in life for over 55 years. He continued his education, graduating with a PhD in Fluid Dynamics from Brown University and then immediately began working at Sandia National Laboratories as a scientist for 34 years until his retirement.

He and his wife lived in Valencia county for over 40 years and raised their family in Los Chavez, where all 7 children graduated from Belen High School.

Archie served as a volunteer firefighter and in other community positions in Valencia County. He served in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as Bishop, clerk, teacher, and executive secretary, among other service opportunities. He was not a stranger to service. As a young man, he dedicated 2 years of his life to serving as a full-time ecclesiastical missionary in Mississippi. He loved the Lord, Jesus Christ, and endeavored to always follow Him and love others as the Savior would. Not a large or tall man, his quiet, generous nature has greatly impacted countless lives and blessed those who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his younger brother, Wayne, and parents, Archie and Thelma. He is survived by many who love him dearly, namely his wife Jackie; 7 children: Heber, Rebecca, Nathan, Laura, Elizabeth (Lybi), Grant, and Seth; their 6 spouses; 28 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; and his 3 sisters.

Services for Archie Farnsworth will be held on Saturday, August 7 at the Church on 160 James St., Los Lunas, NM 87031. The viewing will be from 12:30-1:30 pm and the funeral service will be from 2:00 to 3:30pm. He will be interred at a family plot in the Mesa City

Cemetery in Mesa, Arizona. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Riverside funeral home.

Cemetery

City of Mesa Cemetery

1212 N. Center St.

Mesa, AZ, 85201

Comments



“ I was a classmate of Archie's at Mesa Jr. High and Mesa High School. He was always a friendly, nice friend and I felt from the time I knew him that he would grow to be a great man. Reading his obituary and the account of his service, I am not surprised and am grateful that he lived to the greatness that was in him. Emily Church McLaws Despain

Emily M Despain - August 10, 2021 at 02:10 PM



“ I agree 100% with what Emily said. He was quiet and really polite, and always doing the right thing. Sally Sue LeBaron Nelson

Sally Sue LeBaron Nelson - August 10, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ Lived to be a great man and he and Jacque raised a big family together. Bless him and his family. My husband is 85 and I will turn 80 in Oct. We are grateful to still be together. It's been a great life but tthis getting old isn't for sissies. My sincere sympathy to his family. Jeannie Bond Lythgoe

Jeannie Bond Lythgoe - August 11, 2021 at 12:48 PM



“ I served as a missionary where Archie was my ward mission leader. We taught families together and saw them baptized. He was a great man and wonderful example to me. My life is blessed for having known him.

Kim Horner - November 18, 2021 at 10:24 PM