



Richard Vaughn Stam

1925 - 2021

After much deliberation, on February 1, 2021 our dad Richard (Dick) Vaughn Stam, 95, decided we would finally be ok on our own and went to be with the love of his life, our mom, Muriel (Dahle). He stayed for 8 years after she left to be with us.

Dick was an amazing man. He was an artist, writer, actor, musician, mechanic, teacher, and a great storyteller. There really wasn't much he couldn't do. He ran the first crane brought to Utah by Paulsen Construction and learned everything about them. He ran them with great skill and was a big influence on the industry for 38 years. Even the manufacturers sought his advice. The rest of us were all fortunate to learn from him.

At 62 he decided he no longer had time enough for a job. He and our mom loaded up the motorhome, boat and other toys and spent the next 25 or more years going on one adventure after another. They made friends everywhere they went. Everyone from St. George to Soldier Creek knew them by name and was always happy to see them. They also had a few close friends that often traveled with them. Dad was great to travel with. No matter what broke or went wrong, he could fix it. It didn't matter who it belonged to either and you didn't even need to ask. He was happy to fix it and even show you how.

Dad was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served faithfully in many callings. He and Mom were sealed together in the Salt Lake Temple.

Dad will be greatly missed by all who knew him and surely has been missed by all those that left before him. The world was a better place while he was part of it.

He is survived by his children, **Loralee (Jim) Hanson**, Lon R. Stam, Jillyn Best, Darren V. (Roseann) Stam, Renee Stam, 27 Grandchildren and 37 Great-Grandchildren.

Viewing and Funeral Service Information can be found online at Larkin Mortuary.