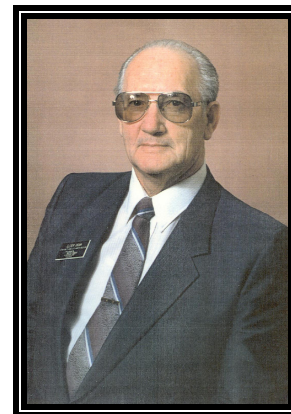


Obituary

Ellis Hughes Oram, 91



Ellis Hughes Oram was born August 12, 1918 in Liberty, Utah to William Hughes Oram and Elizabeth Melvina Knighton. He passed away January 24, 2010 at Bingham Memorial Hospital in Blackfoot, Idaho after suffering a fall at home on Monday, January 18, 2010.

He was almost four when his father passed away. He moved to Elberta, Utah when his mother married William Jolley. With her four children and five of his and 5 more to be born to this union he grew up in a family of fourteen. His memories of growing up in Elberta were fond and many. He played football with the Payson Utah Lions and they played at the dedication of Hoover Dam.

He came to Blackfoot in 1936 where he worked for Gardner Construction Company several years. He met Vera Clark, the love of his life. They were married on June 26, 1939 in Twin Falls, Idaho. They were sealed a year later in the Logan Temple. They celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in June of 2009, with seventy seven of their family present.

He served in World War Two in the Army Engineer Corp at Fort Lewis, Washington. He was an instructor in the automotive training school. He was chosen to escort General Dwight Eisenhower when he came to Fort Lewis. He received the Army Commendation Ribbon for Outstanding Service.

Ellis was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He served faithfully in the many calls he received. He was Bishop of the Fifth Ward for thirteen years and in the Blackfoot South Stake Presidency. He and his wife served two missions to temple square in Salt Lake City, Utah. During the second mission he was first counselor in the Temple Square Presidency. He had a special love for the sister missionaries and they had a special love for him

He worked at Blackfoot Motor for over forty years. First in sales and then as General Manager. He enjoyed this job as he was a real "people" person. He loved making the many new friends that came to the dealership.

He is survived by his wife, Vera. Five children: Lorna (Bob) Van Horn; Kay (Dean) Stump; Richard (Sharon) Oram; Marti (Wayne) Johnson; Kent (Dawnette) Oram. A brother, Merlyn Jolley and one sister Alice Hendrickson. He is also survived by 20 grandchildren, 59 great grandchildren, and 10 great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents, four sisters, and two brothers one great grandchild and two great great grandsons.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at the Blackfoot South Stake Center with Bishop Larry Smith conducting. The family will meet with friends and family on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 from 7:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Hawker Funeral Home, 132 South Shilling Avenue in Blackfoot, and one hour prior to services at the church. Burial will follow at Grove City Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages you to donate to the LDS Humanitarian at <http://www.ldsphilanthropies.org/humanitarian-services/funds/emergency-response.html> or by calling 800-453-3860 ext. 26060.