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Oct 01, 2016



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Jefferson Hulme Dunford

Bloomington, Idaho - Jefferson Hulme Dunford, 85, a lifetime resident and cowboy from the Bear Lake Valley, passed away peacefully on July 31, 2008, with family at his side. Hulme was born on Oct. 23, 1922, in Bloomington, Idaho, the eldest of eight children born to the late Thomas Jefferson and Ruth Dora Hulme Dunford. He attended elementary school in Bloomington and graduated from Montpelier High School in 1940. He then attended Utah State Agricultural College from 1941-42, majoring in animal husbandry with a minor in range management. Hulme served in the U.S. Air Force branch of the military during WWII from Nov. 1943-45. He was a tail gunner in the 85th Air Force 303 Bomb group Hells Angels squadron. He spent many months as a POW in Germany until liberated. Hulme will always be appreciated for his quiet demeanor, sense of humor and for his honesty and service to others. Hulme married Vera Marie Holyoak on May 14, 1948, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. Vera passed away in 1995. They are survived by their seven children, Heber (Susan) of Bloomington, Idaho, Marie Gnehm (Randall) of Logan, Utah, Sarah Wallentine (Kent) of Paris, Idaho, Roy (Melinda) of Bloomington, Idaho,

Kay (Cheri) of Evanston, Wyo., Beverly Dunford of Brigham City, Utah, and Alice Pease (Rick) of Montpelier, Idaho. Hulme is "Grandpa Gum" to 25 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. In addition to their children, Hulme is also survived by his brothers, Thomas J. Dunford (Joan) and Joseph W. Dunford (Leah); his sisters, Leah Parkinson Christensen and Ann Marie (Ned) Budge; brothers-in-law, T.Jay Nelson, Lewis Elison (Dona); and sisters-in-law, Carol Dunford and Nola Dunford, Louie Greenhalgh (Glade), Vilate Farnsworth (Doug) and Helen (Lynn) Langstrom, Therla Holyoak, and friend and ranching partner Nancy Hulme. Hulme was preceded in death by his parents; wife Vera; a brother, Robert M. Dunford; sisters Nadine D. Nelson and Elaine D. Elison; and several brothers and sisters-in-law. Hulme spent most of his life ranching and farming in Bloomington, Idaho. He served as a Brand Inspector for the state of Idaho for 25 years, retiring in 1998. Hulme was a longtime participant in Bear Lake County community affairs. He enjoyed his participation in the annual Bear Lake Rendezvous presentations as driver of the stagecoach. Over the years he served in various church callings including counselor in the bishopric and as a stake high councilor. Family and friends will miss him, yet are happy for the reunion he is now having with his loved ones who have passed on. Funeral services will take place at noon on Thursday, Aug. 7, at the Paris LDS Stake Center. Friends may attend a viewing from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Matthews Mortuary in Montpelier, Idaho and from 10:30 until 11:45 a.m. Thursday at the Paris Stake Center. The interment will follow in the Bloomington Cemetery. The children wish to thank Ann Kelsey, all of the doctors and nurses at the Bear Lake Memorial Hospital and the staff at the Bear Lake Nursing Home for giving our father such loving care.

Memories of Jefferson

