



Jacob Edward Ledgerwood

October 2, 1918 - June 3, 2012

Jacob Edward (Ed, Eddie) Ledgerwood passed into the loving arms of his heavenly father to be rejoined with his wife and sweetheart of 68 years, Margaret who preceded him in death in 2004. Services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, June 8, 2012 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Rose Street Chapel, 1036 W. Rose Street. Viewing will be from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, June 7th at Kayser's Chapel and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. on Friday, June 8th at Rose Street Chapel. Interment will be at Valley View Memorial Park in Soap Lake.

Jacob was born in Trinity Springs, Indiana on October 2, 1918 just after the Great Influenza outbreak, and the end of WWI. His parents were Raymond Nathaniel Ledgerwood, and Myrtle Lulu Divine. He was the 6th child born in a family of eight boys and three girls, one sister dying in infancy.

In 1937 Jacob moved with his family to Oregon, where they farmed near the town of Ontario. Jacob worked on his parents farm through WWII, and later took on jobs with the Game Farm and the Amalgamated Sugar plant located there.

Jacob met and married Margaret Charity Soper in Payette, ID in 1948, and they made their home in Nyssa, ID near the Nyssa sugar plant he was then working in. In 1949, their first child, Gary, was born.

In 1952, Jacob moved with his family to Washington to work on the new Columbia Basin Irrigation Project starting up there. This project was part of the "New Deal" projects supported by President Roosevelt. In 1953 Jacob and his family moved to Moses Lake where Jacob became employed as an irrigation operator (ditch rider) for the local Irrigation District. Also in 1953, their second child, Ann was born. Jacob continued to work with the Columbia Basin Project until he retired in 1980, getting to know many of the farming pioneers of the area.

Jacob and Margaret were members of a local rock hound club, the 4x8 Square dance club and the Block 40 club. They enjoyed gardening, collecting antique bottles, and the many activities their church did.

Jacob and Margaret were members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and they served a mission to Pittsburgh, Tennessee in 1985-86. They were members of the 2nd, 3rd, and 5th wards during the years they lived in Moses Lake. Jacob was a dedicated and humble servant and loved his Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ with all his heart.

Jacob dearly loved his children and grandchildren, and would always have a story or a bit of history to share with them when they visited. They loved sharing the bounties of their garden with their children and neighbors.

Jacob continued to live in Moses Lake, eventually moving into assisted living at Hearthstone Inn in Moses Lake, where he continued to live after Margaret passed away in 2004. During these years he spent many happy occasions with his daughter Ann's family, who live in Moses Lake. In 2011, health issues forced a decision to move him to Salem, OR, where he could receive better health care and be near his son, Gary and his family.

Jacob is survived by his children and their spouses, Gary and Nicolaza

Ledgerwood of Salem, OR, Ann (Ledgerwood) and Ralph Dillon of Moses Lake, two brothers, Clyde Ledgerwood of Quincy, WA, and Rodney and (Joann) Ledgerwood of Kennewick, WA. Six grandchildren, Richard, Victoria, Michelle Ledgerwood, Nicole Frazier, Matthew Dillon, and Crystal Wiberg. 9 great-grandchildren, Richard Jr, Myranda and Alexandria Ledgerwood, Katelyn Dillon, Camrey, Charity, Joseph, Jacob, and Jared Wiberg, Cole Frazier, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 5 brothers, Xenil, Harold, Carl, Floyd, and Dale, and 3 sisters, Faith, Ruby Dyal, and Lois Sutton.

Jacob was loved by all who knew him, and especially his family will miss him dearly until they can be reunited with him again in Heaven.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Visitation

JUN 8. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Rose Street Chapel
1036 W. Rose Ave.
Moses Lake, WA

Service

JUN 8. 2:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Dear Family and Friends;

Thank you for your kind entries, they mean a lot to Gary and I. I want to put in my own entry. It is a poem I wrote for Fathers Day last year for dad, trying to express what he has meant to my brother and I and our families, I hope you will read it.

A Family's Treasure

*How can you measure the life of one good man;
When his merits are so much greater than anyone understands?
And, then, have that man be your father, too, who has loved you
and taught you, oh, so true.*

*How can you express to him how much he's meant to you?
You could say it in fine presents, and material things galore;
But how can you really tell him that way, when to you he means so
much more.*

*It's not just the way he's loved you that gives you so much pride
It's the way he's lived his whole life through- a man whose integrity
could not hide.*

*He has carried himself bravely through diversity that could have
destroyed the rest;*

When turmoil sought to strike him down-it only brought out his best.

His is a quiet, gentle strength that withstands the test of time.

With his love of God and country and understanding of mankind.

*He has led you, too, through troubled times and taught you how to
stand;*

You learned early on right from wrong, and to trust his guiding hand.

His wisdom has enlightened you, and opened up your eyes;

To a world of love and wonder, and that all life should be prized.

No, not money or manmade things are what he sought to claim;

His fine character and soft spoken ways will be his claim to fame.

With love beyond what words can measure;

You are more than our dad, grandfather, and great-grandfather;

You are our most precious Family Treasure.

I pray that you will tell the fathers in your lives how much they mean to you, and how grateful you are to have them as your father, as Gary and I did many times to dad.

God Bless you, and Love,

Ann Dillon and family###imported-begin###Ann Dillon###imported-end##

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“ I grew up in Brother Ledgerwood's neighborhood. I will never forget Brother Ledgerwood bearing his testimony in church every year for July Testimony Meeting. He would recite the Gettysburg Address and declare his tender feelings for our nation. I have thought about him every July since and I have been away from Moses Lake for 20 years. I appreciate his love of country and willingness to share it. Much love and prayers to all who are missing him at this time. But I am sure that he is enjoying a tender reunion with his sweetheart.###imported-begin###Amy Willis Johnson###imported-end##

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“ Like my sister Lynn, I also share many good memories of Uncle Eddie from visits to Eddie's & Margaret's home and also from the many family reunions and get-togethers we used to have. I still recall one of the later one's in Marlin where he was able to recite the Gettysburg address at the podium in the old gym. That was impressive! Uncle Eddie was a good man and he lived a good life and I am sure you was very proud of lives he touched during his time with us. My condolences to my cousins Gary & Ann and their families and I am very sad I will not be present at the service.###imported-begin###Glen Ledgerwood###imported-end##

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“ Uncle Eddie was such a kind and loving spirit. He will be missed by so many who loved him. I will always remember the many reunions and gettogethers through the years with Uncle Eddie, Margaret, Gary, Ann, their families and the rest of the Ledgerwood clan. All my love to all of you at this very sad time.

A Native American Prayer

I give you this one thought to keep --

I am with you still – I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow,

I am the diamond glints on snow,

I am the sunlight on ripened grain,

I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush,

I am the swift, uplifting rush

of quiet birds in circled flight.

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not think of me as gone –

I am with you still – in each new dawn.##imported-begin##Lynn

Ledgerwood##imported-end##

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“ It is sad to lose a member of our family. I am filled with many wonderful memories of family reunions and summer mini vacations spent with Uncle Eddie and family. Memories are what make us who we are and help us to move forward. Gary and Ann you are in our prayers. We love you.##imported-begin##Diana Ledgerwood Torres##imported-end##

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