

(TRANSCRIPTION OF OBITUARY)

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ALVIN LE ROY TIDLUND

A great man of strength, dedication and loyalty to others. A beloved husband, father, grandfather (Papa), great-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. Al made the journey home to his Father in Heaven on September 3, 2003, at 4:30 p.m.

Al was born on the 28th day of September 1921, in Kennebeck, S.D., to Fred and Alice Viola Meyers Tidlund. He graduated from South Sevier High School in Joseph, Utah, in 1939. He was married to Lorene Isabelle Nickle on the 21st day of August 1943, in Springfield, Mass. Their marriage was solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ {of} Latter-day Saints on November 12, 1943, for time and all eternity.

As a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Al held several positions of responsibility including 18 years on the High Council. Al served his country during WW11 as a captain in the U. S. Army Air Corp., later the U.S. Air Force. He flew over 50 missions in B-24 bombers.

Al graduated from Southern Utah State University (formerly BAC) in 1947. He was active in the glee club and had a beautiful singing voice. He later went on to graduate from Missouri Law School in 1950, and then from Southwest Missouri State University in 1951. He taught high school at Fair Grove High in Fair Grove, Mo. He went on to practice law for over 35 years in Saint Louis County, specifically Kirkwood, Mo. He practiced before the Missouri Supreme Court as well as the United States Supreme Court. He loved the outdoors and always dreamed of being a cattle rancher.

Al was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Alice Tidlund, of Joseph, Utah, a sister, Helen, and his lovely bride of 57 years, Lorene Isabelle Nickle Tidlund.

Al is survived by his two sons, Randall Gene Tidlund and his wife Katy and their children Sheila and Tony Hyden, Kristen Tidlund, Randall Scott Tidlund, Rose Tidlund, Mary Tidlund, and three great-grandchildren, Alex, Mariah and Alisha, all of Springfield, Mo., Russell Dead Tidlund and his wife Rebecca Sue Tidlund and their children, Robert Simmonds, of Los Angeles, Kelly and Justin Burmeister, of Fair Oaks, Calif., Dalelina and Nathan Champion, of Alabama. Also surviving are his brother Eugene Tidlund and his wife DeAnne, of Salina, Utah. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews on both side of the family. He will be sorely missed by those who knew and loved him.

Services will be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at 1357 South Ingram Mill Road, on Tuesday, September 9, 2003, at 10 a.m. There will be a visitation at Greenlawn North on Monday, September 8, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.