



Miles Day Morris

January 31, 1928 - June 13, 2019

Miles Day Morris passed away at home in Peoria, AZ, on June 13, 2019, from causes incident to age. He was born Jan. 31, 1928, in Parowan, UT, to Durham and Alberta Day Morris. He was raised in Cedar City and attended schools there. He had two brothers, Haymer and Kent, and one sister, Mary, all of whom preceded him in death.

In 1948, he met his future wife, Mary Olene Taylor, at a community dance. They were married in the St. George Temple on June 3, 1949. They are the parents of 4 children, Janna (Stephen) Murphy, Daryl (Wendy) Morris, Anne (Jeff) Boatman, and Scott Morris.

Miles became interested in automobiles in his teenage years and learned how to repair them. With the help of their father, he and his brother, Haymer, purchased the first Kaiser-Frazer franchise in Utah. They later added Packard and Willys-Jeep franchises. In 1959, his father helped him purchase the Oldsmobile-Rambler-Jeep franchise in Provo, UT. He later added a GMC franchise. His wife, Mary, worked closely with him in the business, as did each of his children and also several grandchildren. After 43 years in business, Miles and Mary sold their business and retired. At this time, they generously donated money from the sale of the business to Utah Valley University, Southern Utah University, and the Boy Scouts of America.

Miles served as President of the Utah Auto Dealers Assoc. and Provo Exchange Club. He loved to spend time in his yard and grew beautiful flowers—especially roses—and vegetables, which he loved to share with neighbors and friends. He was also involved with breeding and racing Thoroughbred and Quarter horses. He used one of his horses, Smokey Prince Bar, in advertising for Morris Motors. Smokey would eat sugar out of his hand, thus the slogan “Home of the Sweet Deal” was born. For the past several years, he and Mary have resided in Peoria, AZ, to be closer to family and enjoy the beautiful weather.

Miles is survived by his wife, Mary, his 4 children, 16 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren, and his brother-in-law, Dr. John Brown. He

was preceded in death by two grandsons, Allen Morris and Michael Murphy.

As per his wishes, funeral services will not be held. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 29, 2019 at Eastlawn Memorial Hills, 4800 North 650 East, Provo, UT. Friends may visit with the family at the Berg Mortuary of Provo, 185 E. Center St., from 9:30-10:30 a.m. prior to services at the cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Primary Children's Medical Center in memory of Miles D. Morris. Condolences may be expressed at www.bergmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Berg Mortuary of Provo - East Room
185 East Center Street
Provo, UT 84606

Graveside Service

JUN **29**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Eastlawn Memorial Hills
4800 North 650 East
Provo, UT 84604

Tribute Wall

PM

“ *I couldn't have asked for a better Father in/law. He was a great man to me. Caring. Loving. He showed me what the world was all about. Trips that I could have only dreamed about. He will always be in my heart. R.I.P. Miles, I love you. Always have and always will.*

Patricia Morris, - July 11, 2019 at 02:41 PM



“ *Sending love and fond memories to Mary and family. Miles and Mary were across the street neighbors for years from our Hatfield family home. RaDene remembers fondly the hours she spent with Miles in the garden on HOA property being trained and encouraged to take over the gardening as Miles' days as an active gardener were winding down. We remember Miles' generosity always extending the friends and family discount on automobiles and service even on vehicles purchased before we moved back to Utah. Miles blessed our lives. His and Mary's presence has been missed on Little Rock drive. We are grateful to have known him and pray that Mary and family will find comfort as they adjust to life without him. With Love, Harlan and RaDene Hatfield.*

RaDene Hatfield - July 01, 2019 at 09:18 AM

AT

“ *I did some legal work between him and David Johnson of DJAUTO. Miles believed in David's dream and made it possible for it to become a reality.*

It was a pleasure to be around him and his wife Mary. Someone like Miles doesn't come around often. He was a decent, caring, individual who gave back and helped others. He will be missed.

Allen Thomason - June 29, 2019 at 01:00 PM

AW

“ *What a great man! I miss the Morris family and think about them often. Miles took a chance on me and it started my life on a new path. I will be forever grateful. My heart goes out to all of you.*

Amy Walker - June 29, 2019 at 12:44 AM

VR

“ MILES had beautiful "sparkling" eyes that always showed because he smiled so much! Living right next door was a treat because he was always sharing his garden produce...never stopped even when we couldn't reciprocate...only because we had no garden!! Enjoyed our experience with Miles, Mary and Scott for many years until they left for Arizona! Always friendly, helpful and fun...one of our favorite things was the "helicopter landing pad" in your backyard! You are all great people, good family and treasured friends! Sincerely, David and Vickie Reeves

Vickie Reeves - June 29, 2019 at 12:10 AM

CT

“ I just want to say he was a great man and it was fun to work for him at the dealership thank you miles for giving me my first job in the auto biz may you rest in peace

chris thomas

chris thomas - June 28, 2019 at 11:15 AM

DJ

“ He believed in my dream. We are forever grateful.



David Johnson - June 23, 2019 at 05:32 PM

TK

“ I have such sweet memories of Mes , he was always so kind to me and patient, the fun at the racetrack and the races, Thank you for letting me think Smokey was still part mine. Rest In Peace Miles. Sweet blessings for Mary, I will never forget Scott!

Teresa Telford Kennedy - June 23, 2019 at 09:49 AM

TK

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Teresa Telford Kennedy - June 23, 2019 at 09:52 AM

DM

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Daryl Morris - June 21, 2019 at 06:00 PM