

James J Booth passed away 5 November, 2002 one day short of his 86th birthday. He was born 6 November, 1916 in Harrisburg, Utah to Marvil Riding and James William Booth. Dad married Mary Alice Eva Fox 11 April, 1935 in Beaver, Utah. Their marriage was later Solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple 4 May, 1953. Dad was a long time member of the Tooele 5th and 7th LDS Wards. As a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Dad served as assistant scoutmaster, scoutmaster and an ordinance worker in the Salt Lake Temple. Dad loved working in his garden, fishing with his family and building furniture for his grandkids in his woodshop.

Dad worked for the International Smelter and Refining Company for almost 20 years and retired from Kennecott Copper Corporation as a railroad car repairman with 26 years of service in 1981. While working at the Smelter he also ran the coal yard that was located where the new fire station sits today on 7th Street. He shoveled "many a truckload of coal into the basements of Tooele homes". Dad was a hardworking man and knew the value of a days work for a days pay. His hardships in his early life led him to insure his children were raised with a better lifestyle than he had.

Dad is survived by his loving wife and 6 children: Charles (Julie) of National City, California, Dennis-deceased (Edith) of Tooele, Janice (Vern) Peasall of Tooele, John (Pat) of Payson, Utah, Tim (Sandra) of Tooele, Linda (Kim) Murray of Tooele, Robert (Joanne) Booth of Tooele, 32 Grandchildren and 64 great grandchildren, 8 great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents, step-mother Gladys Wilson, two sons: Dennis D. Booth and James Jay Booth Jr., one grandchild Jamie Dee (Booth) Anderson, two great grandchildren: Becky Booth and James Rulon Booth Jr., brothers Fred and Jesse Rea Booth of St. George, Utah, Shirley (Shake) and John Booth of Las Vegas, Nevada, Sisters Esther Fox Morgan of Tooele, Elma and Ruth Booth of Lehi, Utah. Dad was the last of his family to pass from this earthly home and be reunited with his family in Heaven. What a wonderful reunion took place Tuesday with his mother, who has been waiting 79 years to reunite her family. She passed away when Dad was 6 1/2 years old.

Services will be held Tuesday, 12 November at 11:00 a.m. at the Tooele 7th Ward building located at 1000 West 200 North (Utah Avenue). A viewing will be held on Monday, Nov. 11, at Tate Mortuary, 110 South Main, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. prior to the funeral services at the church.