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J. Garn Ford, D.D.S. 1939 ~ 2011
CENTERVILLE, UT - Dr. Joseph Garn Ford,
71, passed away February 2, 2011 due to a
sudden cardiac arrest in Centerville

Utah. Garn was born February 28, 1939 in Malad,
Idaho to Rulon G. and Arvilla R. Ford. He was in the
first graduating class at Bountiful High School. He
served an LDS mission in the New England States
Mission. He attended Weber State College and the
University of Utah and graduated from Loyola
University, School of Dentistry in Chicago. He

practiced dentistry for 30 years in Ogden Utah and was pleased that many of
his children followed in his profession. Garn married Catherine Burdett on
December 14, 1962 in the Logan LDS Temple. Garn was an accomplished
pianist and organist. He learned to play the piano to help him recover from
polio. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
where he served as a bishop in the Highland Ward in Ogden and served for
many years as ward organist. After retirement he loved gardening, farming
and playing the piano with grandchildren on his lap. Garn and Catherine also
enjoyed traveling the world with their friends and family. An all time favorite
was the annual Bear Lake trip. He was very proud of his Ford heritage, which
inspired his move to Centerville where Garn and Catherine have resided for
the last 20 years. He is survived by his wife Catherine and their seven
children: Dr. Jonathan G. Ford (Dana), Aimee Tafuna'i (Johnny), Dr. Mary
Draper (Glen), Michael J. Ford (Angela), Patricia Porter (Michael), Megan
Campbell (Dr. Jason Campbell), Elizabeth Call (Gregory); 27 grandchildren as
well as his siblings: Dr. Clynn R. Ford, Dr. R. Newell Ford, Elaine F. Kapple,
Emma F. Glover, Duane R. Ford and Mark R. Ford. He is preceded in death
by his parents, sister Kathleen Bloomfield, brother Walton Ford and grandson
Matthew Porter. Funeral services will be held Monday, February 7th at 1 p.m.
at the Centerville North Stake Center located at 1461 North Main, Centerville
Utah. Family will meet with friends at the Stake Center on Sunday, February
6th from 6-8 p.m. and Monday, February 7th from 11:30-12:30 p.m. Interment,
Ogden City Cemetery. Online guestbook at www.russonmortuary.com.
Funeral arrangements by Russon Brothers, Bountiful Utah. In lieu of flowers
please donate in Dr. Garn Ford's name to Utah Give Kids A Smile (Weber), in
care of Utah Dental Association located at 1151 E 3900 S Suite 160, SLC UT
84124 or online at www.utahgivekidsasmile.com/donate.