

## LIFE BEGINNING

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MY LIFE STARTED AT 7076 HIGHLAND IT HAS BEEN A GREAT LIFE, MY LIFE SURROUNDED 70<sup>th</sup> HIGHLAND DR, MY FAMILY OWNED THE S.W. CORNER TO 7200 SO. THAT IS WHERE MY FATHER PURCHASED A THIRD ~~THE~~ ACRE FROM LUE COLE BROOK OUR GRAMPA. GROWING UP WAS GREAT, WE HAD SEVERAL OPEN PASTURE AREAS WHERE WE ~~WE~~ PLAYED SOFTBALL & FOOTBALL

ON THE CORNER OF 7200 SO HIGHLAND THEY PROCESSED PEAS, WE PLAYED THERE ALOT UNTIL I WAS PUSHED OFF A PIECE ON MACHINERY & WAS KNOCKED OUT FOR SOME TIME, I RECOVERED & WE STAYED AWAY UNTIL IT WAS MOVED

SEVERAL OF MY SUMMERS WAS SPENT ON A 20 ACRE FARM IN GARLAND WHERE I FED 30-50 PIGS & 3-500 CHICKENS. WHEN SCHOOL WAS OUT I HEADED FOR GARLAND & WOULD COME HOME ABOUT A COUPLE OF DAYS PRIOR TO SCHOOL. I DID THIS FOR ABOUT 5 YEARS, I DROVE A TRACTOR AT 8 YEARS OLD. I ALSO HAD ALOT OF FUN FISHING IN A DANIEL ON THE PROPERTY, FISH WAS CAT FISH & WAS GREAT TO EAT.

DURING THE WEEK & PLAYED, WORKED  
& HAD A LOT OF FUN, ON SUNDAY  
WE WERE IN CHURCH

WHEN WE WERE IN OUR LATE TEENS  
WE ALL HAD CARS & WOULD DRAG RACE  
ON 2300 E, WHEN THE SHERIFF WAS  
CALLED, CAPT DECIE LEVANS WOULD CALL  
MY DAD, HE WOULD FIND US & STOP  
THE RACING. DECIE KNEW ALL OF US  
& WAS A FRIEND TO ALL. THERE WAS  
ONLY ABOUT 5 DEPUTIES IN THE COUNTY  
& THEY HAD TO DEPEND ON MY DAD.

WHEN WE WERE 14-18 YEARS, WE  
WOULD ~~DRIVE~~<sup>RIDE</sup> ON SLOTTES FROM TOP OF  
BUTLER HILL TO HIGHLAND DRIVE,  
HITCH A BUMPER & RIDE BACK UP  
TO TOP OF HILL ALSO AS TEENS WE  
WOULD RIDE OUR BIKES DOWN THE 8'  
CONCRETE PIPE COMING FROM BEERCREEK  
IN PROVO CANYON, IT COMES ACROSS  
BELLAL BLVD AT 3300 E & ACROSS  
CEMETARY PROP DOWN DOWR HILL BY  
NUTTREE CHAPLE (3350 E). WORK WAS  
SLOW ABOUT 50 TO 100' PER ~~DAY~~<sup>PER DAY</sup>  
WE WOULD USE FLASHLIGHTS & RIDE  
FOR MILES AFTER WORK SHUT DOWN

WHEN I WAS 25 YEARS I JOINED  
 SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT BEING ASSIGNED  
 TO THE CANYON A MONTH LATER  
 THERE I PATROLED OUR CANYONS ALONG WITH  
 MORGAN, WASATCH, JOELEE & WITH CO'S.  
 I WENT INTO SURROUNDING COUNTIES ONLY  
~~WHEN~~ WHEN NEEDED. MANY TIMES I WOULD  
 GET OFF SHIFT ABOUT 500H & CALLED BACK  
 OUT AT 600PM, COULD BE A AUTO CRASH  
 OR LOST HIKER, DROWNING OR LOST PERSON  
 IN MY TENDER IN THE CANYON I  
 HANDLED OR ASSISTED IN OVER 300  
 MAJOR RESCUES, ALSO ABOUT 3-4000 MINOR  
 & MAJOR ACCIDENTS, ONE ACCIDENT INVOLVED  
 35 VEHICLES. I LOVED THE SHERIFF DEPT,  
 BACK THEN EVERYBODY SHOWED RESPECT  
 FOR A OFFICER, NOW ITS DRUGS, GUNS OR  
 FIGHTS. MANY TIMES I WENT INTO GROUP  
 PARTIES OF MOTOR CYCLE GANGS OR MEXICAN  
 GROUPS & WAS NOT BROTHORED OR FEARED  
 FOR MY SAFTY, I WOULD PATROL ABOUT  
 200 MILES A DAY. MY DUTIES WERE  
 ACCIDENTS, RESCUES, SUICIDES, FAMILY PLANTS  
 LOST OR OVER DUE PEOPLE & GENERAL INFO.

IN MY SCHOOL DAY GRADES 1-4 MY TEACHER WAS MRS DEARDON, SHE WAS GOOD BUT DON'T GOOF OFF, SHE WOULD COME UP BEHIND YOU & HIT UP WITH A ~~ROLLER~~ <sup>ROLLER</sup>. IN GRADES 5-6 I HAD HAROLD BLAIR, HE WAS GREAT BUT MEAN, I WAS OUT OF LINE ONCE IN THE HALL, HE COME UP BEHIND ME & GIVE ME FOOT, I TUMBLED DOWN 6 STAIRS BUT WAS OK, I TOLD MY FATHER ABOUT THE INCIDENT, HE CALLED HAROLD & I GOT SPANKED AGAIN, HAROLD & MY DAD WERE VERY GOOD FRIENDS, I FINISHED 5 & 6 GRADES WITHOUT PROBLEM, HAROLD & I STAYED FRIENDS UNTIL HE PAST AWAY 5 YEARS AGO

I LOVED BUTLORVILLE, IN 1948 WE HAD & WILD WINTER WITH ROADS CLOSED & SCHOOLS SHUT TOWN, FORT UNION WAS CLOSED FOR A WEEK WITH FIVE FOOT DRIFTS THE WIND BLEW THE ROOF OFF THE WESTSIDE OF THE WARD HOUSE, WE HAD TO COVER WITH CONVAS & PLASTIC UNTIL REPAIRS COULD BE MADE. MY FATHER WAS THE BISHOP WITH 258 MEMBERS FROM MIDVALE TO BRIGHTON, COTTONWOOD TO GRANITE

## START OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

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MY FIRST TASTE OF WINTER STARTED WHEN I WAS BORNED, BLIZZARD, COULD NOT GET TO HOSPITAL, WE WERE ON A VISIT TO GARLAND SINCE THAT TIME WINTER HAS BEEN MY LOVE.

I STARTED MY LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER IN EARLY 60'S. AFTER A MONTH ON JOB (AS SHERIFF) I WAS ASSIGNED THE MOUNTAINS, OVER NEARLY 20 YEARS IN THE CANYONS I INVESTIGATED SEVERAL HUNDRED SERIOUS VEH ACC WITH ABOUT 40 D.O.R.'S ALSO DURING THAT TIME ABOUT 300 RESCUES. IN THE EARLY 60'S TO 90'S I COVERED S.L.Co. MORGAN, SUMMIT & WASATA & TOOLE (THEY DID NOT HAVE 4X4'S & WE WOULD GET CARS FOR OUR EQUIPMENT I STARTED ROCK CLIMBING IN 1952 & WAS VERY GOOD AT IT, MANY TIMES I WENT ON A RESCUE & WOULD NOT SEE MY HOME FOR DAYS, I WAS SENT ON A PLANE CRASH WEST OF CAMP WILLIAMS & WAS THERE FOR 3 DAYS. CHARTER PLANE 2 PILOTS & 13 DOCTORS DEAD.

MY MOST PAINFUL RESCUE WAS TO YOUNG BOYS WHO DROWNED IN A POND 6500 SO 26000 FEET BOTH DEAD & WAS IN MY SCOUT GROUP. IN THE 20 YEARS POSSIBLY 40 PEOPLE DEAD & HAD TO BE BROUGHT OFF MOUNTAINS OR OUT OF WATER. ON ONE RESCUE IN BIL COTTONWOOD, WE FLEW IN WITH BOB

HOSKINS (HOSKINS HELD SERVING)  
 COMING IN WE HIT TREES & HAD TO  
 CRASH LAND (NO INJURIES)

WE HAD A CAVE RESCUE IN NEPP'S CAVE  
 WE WERE  $2\frac{1}{2}$  DAYS ON, NEPP'S CAVE IS 1154  
 VEDICAL FEET, A MALE GOT STRANDED NEAR  
 THE BOTTOM & HAD TO BE HOISTED TO THE  
 SURFACE BY ROPES HE SURVIVED.

IN 1968 I WAS ASSIGNED TO CLEAN OUT  
 ALL MINES & SHARPS ALONG THE WASATCH  
 MOUNTAINS FROM WAA Co & DAVIS, THERE ARE  
 ABOUT 40 MILES OF TUNNELS, ABOUT HALF  
 ARE CAVED IN, I ALONG WITH GORD.  
 FORT DOUGLASS SPENT  $2\frac{1}{2}$  WEEKS GOING  
 THROUGH ALL KNOWN TUNNELS & SHARPS  
 EACH DAY I WOULD COME HOME WITH  
 50 TO 100# OF OLD DYNAMITE & CAPS (USING  
 MY OWN P/W) ON THE LAST DAY WE ENDED  
 UP WITH 1350# OF DYNAMITE, WE DECIDED  
 TO SET OFF ABOVE ALTA IN A MILE  
 SQ. OPEN AREA, WE PREPARED A 10# CHARGE  
 OF TNT & PILED ALL THE OLD DYNAMITE  
 + CAPS IN THE OPEN AREA, WE HAD LOOKOUTS  
 SURROUNDING THE AREA, <sup>WE</sup> LIKE THE PUSE  
 + TOOK UP A LOOKOUT  $\frac{1}{4}$  MILE ABOVE  
 TO OBSERVE. WHEN IT WENT OFF IT  
 BLOW ~~OUR~~ OUR HATS OFF + PUT RINGING

IN OUR YEARS. IT BLOW A HOLE  
12' DEEP BY 20' 56. WE HAD 125  
COMPLAINT COME IN TO ~~STAFF~~ SHERIFF  
DEPT, SOME SAID IT WAS A EARTH  
QUAKE. ~~WE HAD TO GO TO THE SCENE FOR~~  
~~FOR BARRY SAKE.~~

I HAD A REPORTED PLANE CRASH OUT  
IN THE FLATS NEAR GREAT S.L. WE COULD  
ONLY GET TO 1/2 MILE, WE HAD TO TRACK  
IN MUD & WATER, WHEN WE ARRIVED AT  
THE SCENE WE DISCOVERED THE LONG  
PILOT WAS THE HUSBAND OF MISS JULIE  
OF K.S.L. FAME. IT TOOK 6 OF US TO  
REMOVE ~~HIM~~ HIM & TRACK BACK TO OUR  
TRUCK, HE ~~WEIGHT~~ <sup>WEIGHT</sup> 260<sup>lb</sup>

I WAS CALLED ON A PLANE CRASH TO  
OR PARLOYS CANYON, IT TOOK 3 HRS TO  
HIKE TO PLANE, TWO PILOTS SERIOUS INJURIES  
& HAD TO BE PACKED TO I-80, TOOK MOST OF  
THE NIGHT, THE PLANE WAS LOADED WITH  
AMMO, TOOK NEXT THREE DAYS ASSISTING  
ARMY & BRING OUT, PLANE IS STILL ON  
RIDGE.

DURING MY CHURCH SERVICE  
I WAS INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR  
20 YEARS, I FOUND & OVER LOOK  
UP MT OLYMPUS WEST FACE & WOULD  
TAKE OUR SCOUTS 2 MILES UP WEST  
FACE TO THE CAMP AREA, I WOULD  
TAKE A POLICE SCANNER SO WE COULD  
FOLLOW CALLS AROUND VALLEY BELOW  
THE KIDS LOVED THOSE CAMPS.  
WE FOLLOWED & POLICE CHASE FROM  
MURRAY THROUGH MIDVALE, WEST JORDAN,  
BINGHAM, HARRIMAN, RIVERTON & INTO  
DRAPER. OVER THE SCOUTING TIME  
WE ADVANCED ABOUT 20 EAGLES & MANY  
OTHER AWARDS. AFTER MY SCOUT DAYS  
I WAS IN THE HP GROUP LEADERSHIP  
I THEN WAS CALL TO 2<sup>ND</sup> Q. TO BISHOP  
DOUG CALDER, I THEN ACCEPTED THE  
1<sup>ST</sup> Q. CALL TO BISHOP HAROLD MAUGHAN  
MY TIME LASTED 3 YEARS WHEN I MOVED  
TO MY PRESENT LOCATION, MY MOVE WAS  
MY CHANCE TO BUY MY MOTHER-IN-LAW'S  
HOUSE & PROPERTY, WE KEPT HER IN HER  
HOUSE UNTIL SHE PAST AWAY IN 1992  
I HOPE I STAY HERE REST OF MY  
DAYS. MY NEXT MOVES WILL BE  
JENKING & SOPPE

THE NIGHT I WAS BORN WE WERE GARLAND Wt. ON A VISIT, WEATHER GOT BAD & WE COULD NOT ~~GET~~ GET BACK TO S.C. MY MOM GOT SO EXCITED SHE WENT INTO LABOR & MY LIFE STARTED THERE, I WAS A BLIZZARD WINDS & 18" OF SNOW, COULD NOT GET TO HOSPITAL & I ARRIVED AT A RESIDENCE, WE WERE THERE FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS THEN RETURNED TO S.C.

ABOUT THE TIME I JOINED THE SHOWER DEPT I WAS WORKING AS A CONTRACTOR WORK DISCRPTION WAS SPECIAL METAL CONTRACTING, I GAINED A GOOD NAME FOR MYSELF & DID WORK ON LARRY A MILLERS HOUSE, JOHN STOCKTON, PRES HINCKLEY JEFF HORNACEK, KARL MALONE & MARK EATON ~~AND~~ JOHN HUNTSMAN.

- #1- LARRY A MILLER (MRS MILLER NICEST PERSON)
- #2 JOHN STOCKTON (A MICE NICE FAMILY)
- #3 JEFF HORNACEK (ANOTHER NICE FAMILY)
- #4 PRES HINCKLEY (WONDERFUL MAN)
- #5 JOHN HUNTSMAN (NICE FELLOW BUT MUCH TO BUSY)

I KEPT MY LICENCE & STILL IS CURRENT TODAY WITH THE STATE.

# LIFE SPAN

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- 1- 25 YEARS AS A FULL TIME OFFICER
- 2- 50 YEARS DOING SNOWPLOW WORK FOR WONDERFUL FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS
- 3- 50 YEARS OWNING & WORKING A BUSINESS IN THE METAL INDUSTRY

- 4- HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL REF 20 YEARS.
- 5- TOUR GUIDE YELLOWSTONE PARK FOR YELLOWSTONE TOUR & TRAVEL
- 6- LIFE LONG MEMBER L.D.S. RETIRED.
- 7- TWO TERMS PLANNING & ZONING COUNTY
- 8- 30 YEARS SEARCH & RESCUE S.L. Co.