

Rudger Morris McArthur was born October 19, 1921 in St. George, Utah. He is the son of Wilford Woodruff McArthur and Etta Leah Morris McArthur. With the exception of two years, 1941-1942, he has lived in St. George.

Rudger married Erma Blunck, from Rexburg, Idaho June 21, 1944, they are the proud progenitors of five children, seventeen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Home has always been in the southwest corner of Utah. Winter home in the desert area around St. George and summer home in the alpine area of Pine Valley. Thirty-two road miles and five thousand feet in elevation separate the two home locations.

Lots of exciting things happen in small community living. First public appearance as a vocalist August 1927, in the St. George Opera House, was either a vocalist or instrumentalist in over fifty years of presenting Handel's Messiah with various musical groups. Thespian activities have consumed many enjoyable hours. The McArthurs enjoy gardens at both of the living locations and take pride in always maintaining attractive gardens and yards.

Experienced a tour of duty with the Utah National Guard. Has been a member of Lion's International and Rotary International. Served fifty years as either a Commissioner or Counselor of the Boy Scouts of America.

His interest in Genealogy has been fueled by an autobiography written by grandfather Daniel Duncan McArthur. Rudger and Erma, with the help of many others, compiled a book on the life of D. D. McArthur for the use of his 2,500 descendants. The search for information is carried on for more information on this McArthur line.

Rudger started gainful employment selling Chrysler automobiles and International Harvester trucks and farm machinery in 1943 and retired in 1985 after managing the City of St. George Municipal electric power and water systems and developing industrial parks, recreational complexes and irrigation facilities during twenty-seven years of City employment.