



Byron Thorpe

May 15, 1928 - November 12, 2019

Byron Thorpe, age 91, of Scottsdale, Arizona, passed away Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at North Ranch Assisted Living in Scottsdale.

A private family graveside service and interment will be held in Garber Memorial Estates in Laurie.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Tribute Wall

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“Byron Burdette Thorpe, 91, loving husband and father, passed away with the honor and strength he always exhibited on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at the North Ranch Assisted Living Home in Scottsdale, Arizona. He was born May 15, 1928, in Des Moines, Iowa to Leslie Lyle and Velma LaVonne (Mathews) Thorpe. Byron graduated from North High School in Des Moines, Iowa in 1945. He married Patricia Lea Hicks on May 23, 1948, in Des Moines, Iowa. They were blissfully married for 67 years. They had three daughters, Donna Cilley (Scottsdale, Arizona), Karla Willett and husband Joseph (Daphne, Alabama) and Jodi Haupt and husband Dennis (Sunrise Beach, Missouri). He enjoyed his eleven grandchildren Troy, Jeromy, Zachary, Rigby, Riley, Nicholas, Benjamin, Beau, Lucas, Mason and Logan and nine great-grandchildren Chase, Jake, Clover, Saturn, Gabby, Mica, Noah, Lukas and Oliver. Byron was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia Thorpe, infant granddaughter, Noni Mirave Cilley and a son-in-law, Alan Eugene Cilley. In 1960, he and his family moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa where he continued what would be a long career in insurance sale. Byron and his wife owned and operated Cedar Acres Resort from 1975 until 1990. Byron was a member of the Ozark Chapel United Methodist Church and the Osage Community Elks Lodge 2705 in Laurie. He was also a member of Scottish Rites, Masonic Temple, Shriners International and many other organizations. He was a loving husband, father, son, grandfather, great-grandfather, nephew, uncle and friend who will be greatly missed and remembered lovingly. Private funeral services will be at Hansen Mortuary in Scottsdale Arizona on Friday, November 15 and at Kidwell-Garber Laurie Chapel on Monday, November 18. Graveside services and interment will immediately follow in the Garber Memorial Estates Cemetery in Laurie.



Jodi Haupt - November 02, 2020 at 09:30 PM



*A very nice father to my best friend Karla when we were young girls.
A very nice family.
Teri King Haman*

Teri Haman - May 26, 2025 at 05:46 PM