

David Rogers' Bio

I was born in Los Angeles, California in 1938 and lived there until my grandfather died at which time my father purchased the family farm and moved the family to Kanosh, Utah in 1947. I grew up on a small farm and did the usual chores. I graduated from Millard High School in Fillmore, Utah in 1956. Following a year and a half attending the College of Southern Utah, now SUU in Cedar City, I served a mission in Northern California. Upon returning home, I attended a quarter at CSU and then transferred to Utah State University in Logan, Utah. While attending the university, I met and married Tamara Christensen from Tremonton in 1961. After graduating from USU in 1963 and 1964 in Sociology, we moved to Madison, Wisconsin where I completed a PhD in Sociology in 1968.

I taught and conducted research at several universities including the University of Colorado, Boulder Colorado; Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa; Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado. I retired from Utah State University a few years ago where I am currently an emeritus professor. I am presently involved in a small data base company started with some partners 10 years ago, and work part time on business related issues.

In all of the places where we lived, we met wonderful people and developed lasting friendships. We moved to Washington, Utah in April, 2004 and were introduced to the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. This past year, I chaired the SUP scholarship committee and am currently Director of Community Involvement. We are both serving as volunteers at the St. George Regional Family History Center and are members of the Southern Utah Heritage Choir. All three organizations add to my life in a positive way.

We have had a number of opportunities to provide Church service. Tam has been both an administrator and a teacher. Music is one of her favorite activities. I have also served in teaching and administrative roles in regular and student wards. I currently serve as assistant high priest group leader in the Buena Vista First Ward in Washington. We have four children and five grandchildren who are scattered from coast to coast. I enjoy golf, reading, and visiting family and friends.