

Jerold G. Sorensen

I was born in Aurora, Utah, a small town in Sevier County, on August 12, 1933. My father was Cline Sorensen and my mother was Reta Stevens Sorensen. I had two brothers and two sisters. There are just two of us left, me and my brother , Gordon, who is 82.



According to my mother's genealogy writings, her grandfather, William Stevens and his brother, Roswell, came with the first company of pioneers in 1847. They eventually helped settle and establish Holden, Utah, called by other names in the early years. Also, William was a master carpenter and helped do the finish work on the St George Temple in 1874. My grandfather, Parley Sorensen, helped settle Aurora, Utah so I do hail from pioneer stock.

I am a lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and have held one calling or another most of my life. I am married to Sandra Sorensen, a convert from South Carolina , a loving wife and companion and together we have ten children many grandchildren and three great grandchildren. We enjoy traveling to see them. We also enjoy cruising and went to Alaska last year and to Mexico this year. The Panama Canal cruise was memorable.

I graduated from North Sevier High School in Salina, Utah, earned a bachelors degree from Utah State in Logan, and a masters degree from the University of Utah. I worked in public relations as a career at the University of Utah, Northwestern University and the University of Alaska. I eventually returned to Utah and worked in public relations for Intermountain Health Care until I retired in 1998. I have lived in St George since that time and am happy to become a member of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers