

Chester M. B. Peterson

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“A Man who is serene causes no disturbances to himself or to another”

Such a man was Chester M. B. Peterson, born September 8, 1903, the son of Ellis Alonzo and Emma Abigail Lott Peterson. The eldest of a family of eleven, he lived his entire life in Lehi. His boyhood was spent on his father's farm doing the necessary chores and helping in the fields. He had his own riding horse, which he cared for and in which he took pride.

He received his education in Lehi schools. On September 26, 1923 he married Georgia Cathrine Whitman in the Salt Lake Temple. Five children were born to them: Valno Whitman, Ronald Cain, Emma Lou Gene, Laurel, and Arthur George.

He was active in active in church work in the First and Fifth Wards, serving as scoutmaster in both wards, as as president of the Fifth Quorum of elders.

He was well-known carpenter and cabinet maker. He helped in the remodeling of the First Ward Church and in the building of the Fifth Ward Church. The tabernacle, several of Lehi's business houses, and numerous homes show the evidence of his fine craftsmanship.

During World War II he was head maintenance man at Camp W.G. Williams, and at the close of the war he returned to his chosen occupation carpentry.

He died unexpectedly at his home January 16, 1948, in his forty-fourth year.