



## Stanley M Seale

October 4, 1944 - March 26, 2017

Stanley Marlin Seale, age 72, of Salt Lake City, Utah died Sunday March 26, 2017 of complications following heart surgery. Born October 4, 1944 in Burbank, California, he was the son of Robert Leslie and Helen Carlotta (Hoover) Seale.

Stan was a gifted professional jazz piano player with an extensive performing, producing, composing, engineering and arranging career. At the young age of 13 he played piano for the jazz band at North Hollywood High School. He studied music composition at L.A. Valley Jr. College. His first professional engagement was in the 1950's with Desilu Productions where he played for Little Ricky on the I Love Lucy TV show. He also appeared on the Dinah Shore show and later accompanied the Capitol Records Lettermen trio as well as the Udy Sisters of the Lawrence Welk Show. He played with his jazz band on a Vietnam tour then returned to Los Angeles and formed the Counter Point band. Stan, along with partners James Howard and Dan Whitley started a talent booking agency in the 1960's which was successful. He signed a recording contract with Nico Records of Hollywood Palace and arranged/produced/co-authored music for the record label. He also did all the arrangements for musicals such as Open Any Door, Windows of Light, Christmas Stranger and others. He played organ for the Taylorsville LDS Spanish Branch. He appeared with the Children's Miracle Telethon as the orchestra leader for the all night band. He also produced the Silverado Children's Chorus in Southern Utah which competed internationally. In recent years he performed for Norwegian Cruise lines to Hawaii including a Canadian railroad tour. He worked with the SunShade N'Rain trio, arranged the music for Olympus High School choir & musicals including Les Miserables and Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. He recorded his only piano solo album called 'Quiet Moods'. His real love was playing for the Salt Lake City jazz band and the Notable Youth jazz orchestra and taught many of their students. Stan was a great friend, talented musician and patient teacher to many and will be sorely missed until we meet again!

Stan is survived by his wife Florcita D. Seale, son Alex of Salt Lake City, daughters Jennifer and Stephany of Port Angeles, Washington, and grand children.

Stan is preceded in death by his parents, wife Cheryl Baker Seale, and sister Evelyn Seale Otstot.

Memorial Services will be held on Thursday March 30th at 11 a.m. visitation with service at noon at The Woods on Ninth, 6775 S. 900 E., Midvale.

# Events

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**MAR** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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The Woods on Ninth

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**MAR** **Service** 12:00PM

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# Comments

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“ I know this is late, but I just saw this. I was so lucky to take private lessons from Stan. Loved this man! I protested his move to Salt Lake City as I really wanted to keep him here in St. George. I'm protesting now that we had to lose him to all--not just me. My condolences to his family! Such a wonderful person. So surely missed!

**Becky Whitney** - July 04, 2018 at 03:30 PM

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“ I had the wonderful opportunity to play and teach with Stan over the course of about 20 years with Dan Whitley and friends. I feel incredibly blessed to have been a recipient of his marvelous gifts and love of music. I greatly value his friendship and appreciation of my talents. My association with him has made me a better musician and person.

Love and condolences,  
Dave

**David Geiselmayer** - July 14, 2017 at 02:11 PM

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“ I met Stan in September of 2015. He arranged 4 big band/jazz tunes for me. Such a gifted, talented man. I loved hearing stories of his life and all the people he met along the way. Fascinating. What a wonderful human being. The music industry has lost an incredible musician. Bet they are enjoying his talents on the other side, however. Play away Stan!

Pam Nielsen

**Pamela Nielsen** - April 24, 2017 at 04:57 PM

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“ Stan was a wonderful, talented and kind man. He had so many accomplishments and never bragged about it. My son and I learned about these accomplishments through other people. Stan had a great influence on my son, Jackson. Stan taught him piano for more than a few years with such expertise and kindness. The world lost a very loving and giving man. God Bless you Stan!

**Melissa Gordon** - April 02, 2017 at 02:45 PM

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“ Love, Cathleen and Hannah Rackley (students) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Stanley M Seale.



Cathleen Rackley - March 28, 2017 at 06:43 PM

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“ Stan was so much fun to play music with. He was the band director of my daughter's band that only had a couple of kids in it. I played bass with them and he was so patient with all of us as we learned the music he arranged. He helped us make minus tracks and helped us record. I know he spent many hours to help us sound good. He was a very giving person and was a joy to talk with. We would spend time talking about places he has been and he was quite knowledgeable about different countries. I loved hearing about his adventures and all the places he has been and played his music. Music was truly his gift to all of us and he shared it so well. We used to go hear him play with the jazz band he was with, in Salt Lake. One time he even let my daughter, who he taught jazz lessons to, play with them on one song. He could really get going on that keyboard. He was a master! I will miss him. We love you Stan!!!

Cathleen Rackley - March 28, 2017 at 05:35 PM

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“ 8 files added to the album Memories Album



Wiscombe Memorial - March 28, 2017 at 10:18 AM

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“ What an inspiration Stan was on everybody he played with! Truly one of the most gifted pianists I have ever met. I appreciated his kindness and humility. What a model to follow. God rest his soul.

**Scott Larrabee** - March 27, 2017 at 10:52 PM

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“ I want to express my gratitude for being able to know and perform with Stan over the years. He was a patient person, an excellent musician, and a lot of fun to perform with. My prayers are with his family. I'm sure they have great memories. May god's blessings be with you.

Lars Yorgason

**Lars Yorgason** - March 27, 2017 at 08:54 PM

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“ Cityjazz musicians and friends purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Stanley M Seale.



**Cityjazz musicians and friends** - March 27, 2017 at 08:39 PM