

## **ROGER M. BRYAN (Class of 1956)**

Born in Cedar City, Utah, followed by several years in California, Roger and his family moved to Las Vegas where he entered the fifth grade at the old Fifth Street Grammar School. After graduating from Las Vegas High School, he attended the College of Southern Utah where he double majored in Elementary Education and Business Administration. He completed his Master's Degree at Arizona State University. Scouting played an important role in his youth, culminating in his earning the Eagle Scout Award.

Roger was not even 20 years old when he began his teaching career at North Ninth Street School. After teaching for five years, with Las Vegas in a state of rapid growth, Roger was presented with the opportunity to become a Principal. For 25 years he served in that capacity, opening Dondero Elementary School, Helen Marie Smith Elementary School, and Marion Earl Elementary School. He left Marion Earl ES to become the new school facilitator for the district and to serve as a member of the Elementary Division Administrative Team. The children in his schools knew him as a "hands-on" administrator, actively engaged in school life. They fondly recall events such as his reading "The Cat in the Hat" to them while dressed in full costume and other times when he entered their classes to teach math and reading. Mr. Bryan coached school and community basketball teams in the 70's with many state and national championship teams to his credit. He taught children to believe in themselves and gave them the "I can" attitude.

Roger Bryan served the Clark County School District in good health for 35 years, and never used a sick day in his entire career as a teacher, principal, and central office administrator. Add his 12 years of public schooling and college, which was also completed without an absence, he compiled an impressive record of 52 years of attendance without a day off for illness! The Roger M. Bryan Elementary School in Las Vegas is named in his honor.

Roger and his wife Ann have been married for 50 years and have 4 children and 18 grandchildren.

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