

## **SENATOR DENNIS STOWELL**

Senator Stowell's public service spanned nearly 25 years, serving diligently as mayor of Parowan, Iron County Commissioner, and State Senator in the Utah Legislature. Although a graduate and postgraduate of Brigham Young University with degrees in Chemical Engineering, professionally he was most proud to be recognized as a farmer and rancher specializing in sheep, cattle and hay production. His travels took him all over the world and his residence ranged internationally to Germany and Denmark. He also lived in Nevada and Oregon, finally settling in southern Utah.

Senator Stowell was tireless in his preservation of cultural heritage in Parowan and throughout southern Utah. As mayor, he was instrumental in preserving historic buildings in the community. His service as a county commissioner and State Senator was invaluable as he participated in the creation of Scenic Byways and legislation created to maintain the Scenic Byways program in Utah. As an active participant in the Corridor Management Process for the creation of Scenic Byways such as the Patchwork Parkway National Scenic Byway, Highway 143, Senator Stowell understood this program and its importance to tourism promotion and cultural heritage preservation along the byways. His last efforts on behalf of the Scenic Byways program included the sponsorship of legislation that finalized the Corridor Management process with the legislature for the Zion Corridor Management Plan. Utah's beauty in Zion Canyon will be protected due to Senator Stowell's efforts and his love, care and concern for Utah will be missed.

Senator Stowell is survived by wife of 44 years, Marilee Adams Stowell, seven children; Kip Stowell, Kyle Stowell, Cami Deavila, Caralee Earl, Christopher Coy Stowell, Kelly Stowell and Karin Olson; and 17 grandchildren.