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of Juvenile Court Judges. He was honored by virtually every national association working in the juvenile court movement. During his years on the bench he was active with almost every social agency serving young people in Salt lake City, Salt Lake County and in Utah. For example he was honored by the Boy Scouts for his lifelong contributions and service. He worked actively with the Community Chest, the forerunner of the United Way. Running for a position on the Salt Lake City Board of Education, he was elected in 193 and won every consecutive election serving a total of 12 years.

As a juvenile court judge he struggled constantly with city, county and state leaders to secure funds for an adequate staff, for detention and for rehabilitation facilities. Growing weary of the constant struggle often with unsympathetic and uncaring political leaders he finally resigned from the bench in 1959. At the time He was handling 42 percent of all the juvenile delinquent cases in the state of Utah with a very limited, inadequate staff and treatment facility. He invited the juvenile court judges of the United States to hold their national conference in Salt lake City and unable to persuade Governor Clyde to improve either his salary or staff, he resigned publicly at the convention. Because of his efforts and those of others, the position of juvenile court judge, their salaries, their staffs and treatment facilities have all been upgraded until Utah has a model juvenile court structure. For many years he practiced law with his son, Calvin.

Rulon Clark was a man devoted to his Church and to his family. Besides his many-sided services to youth, the schools and the juvenile court, he held many positions in the Church. He was set apart as a member of the Ensign Stake High Council in 1936. When the Immigration Stake was organized in 1940 he was called to serve as first counselor in the Stake Presidency where he served until 1956. Again in 1975 he received another calling to the stake presidency this time of the Salt Lake Grant Stake. Besides these positions he has taught many classes in the various church organizations.

His first wife Clara Caroline Gleave after giving birth to their four children, Rulon H., David, Calvin and Fern died in 1954 after a prolonged illness. In 1956 he married Virginia Freeze Barker, a widow and old friend of the family. His four children have all led successful lives as business men and professionals.

Upon retirement, Rulon Clark and his wife traveled extensively to many parts of the world. Just before he died, they took a trip up the inner passage off the western coast of Canada and the United States. Rulon returned to Salt Lake City with a severe cold. To recover from the cold he went to Arizona where he came down with desert pneumonia. He died June 17, 1983 at the age of 90. He had lived a rich full life of service to his fellow men and died honored and respected by all who knew him.

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