

**The Northern Colorado Observances of the 2017 International Hour For Peace were dedicated to Dr. David W. Balsiger, beloved longtime corporate sponsor, board treasurer, and speaker who found Eternal Peace June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**



“Life comes and goes like the wind, seldom leaving a path behind. But before I go, I am going to leave a path to be marveled.” - David Balsiger, 1964

“It isn’t important what you do for yourself because that will die with you, but what you do for others will live on afterward.” - David Balsiger, 2017

## **Obituary of David W. Balsiger, LHD**

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Dr. David Wayne Balsiger of Loveland, Colorado, (formerly Orange County, California, and Monroe, Wisconsin) passed away at age 71 on June 27, 2017.

Born in Monroe, he moved to Orange County in high school and graduated from Western High in Anaheim. He earned a bachelor's degree from National University after attending Chapman and Pepperdine, and received his LHD (Doctorate of Humane Letters) from Lincoln Memorial University.

David was a lifelong investigative journalist, activist, photographer, speaker, best-selling author, and award-winning film producer and director. His multimillion copy best-selling books (co-authored with the late Charles E. Sellier) "The Lincoln Conspiracy" and "In Search of Noah's Ark" were both made into major movies of the same titles. "The Lincoln Conspiracy" was on the New York Times Best Sellers List for 22 weeks, reaching the #2 position, and earned him his doctorate. He authored three more books and researched/produced/consulted on 14 additional documentaries on Noah's Ark, and was a world renowned expert on the subject.

For 12 years David was the Vice-President of Marketing and Senior Producer at Grizzly Adams Productions, creators of over 500 faith-based/family-friendly movies, documentaries, TV specials, and TV series including "Encounters with the Unexplained" and the 39 Episode "Ancient Secrets of the Bible" that documents the science and truth behind Bible stories.

He authored 40 major literary works, including 27 nonfiction books, and has been the recipient of 300 national and international film and book awards. He received numerous awards for producing, directing, researching, and writing the award-winning TV docudramas "Heroes of Flight 93" and "George W. Bush: Faith in the White House". The latter is in the Bush 43 Presidential Library and the Smithsonian.

A list of his 500+ faith-based and family-friendly films are at the International Movie Data Base, [www.IMDb.com](http://www.IMDb.com); type "David Balsiger" in the "Search" box.

David retired in 2012, but continued to consult with and mentor other filmmakers and authors. He enjoyed working with his companion/partner Victoria managing his investment properties, her music, the Hour For Peace NoCo, and other charities. They enjoyed their dog, attending dinner theater and concerts, and feeding the birds, squirrels, and rabbits in their back yard. He also loved reading and spending time with friends and family, especially his three daughters to whom he was totally devoted. He remained an avid photographer and world traveler, most recently taking an extended trip to SE Asia. A devout Christian, he was active in Crossroads Fellowship and Foundations Church, both in Loveland.

He is survived by his Companion/Partner Rev. Dr. Victoria Gardner of Loveland, daughters Lori Vani of Olympia, WA, Lisa Burrell and Jennifer Balsiger both of Orange County, four siblings, and three grandchildren, Nathan, Emma, and Austin.

His funeral was Friday, July 7, 2017, at Crossroads Church, 5420 N. Taft Ave, Loveland, with arrangements by Allnutt Funeral Services, one of the Supporters of the 2016 Hour For Peace. A Powerpoint of photos from his funeral is at <https://youtu.be/Dt3sRB2YWxo> . Tax deductible donations to the Hour For Peace NoCo in his memory are appreciated.



*David and Victoria at dinner theater, November, 2016. They were very much in love!*



*David, Victoria and Sockers with Santa, Christmas 2014  
(Sockers is the one wearing his elf hat!)*

**David in South Viet Nam.** David was an avid photographer and a passionate Truth Seeker. A conscientious objector to the Viet Nam war, he went to Viet Nam as a photojournalist to document what was happening, shooting only a camera, not a gun. In March of 2016, he returned to South Viet Nam while on a cruise to SE Asia. He took lots of photos.



Below are some of the awards David received for producing, directing, researching, and writing the documentary and book “George W. Bush: Faith in the Whitehouse”. They are in the George W. Bush Presidential Library and in the Smithsonian!





Above: David and Victoria walking the red carpet at the 2011 Lifetree Film Fest. Below, showing off their awards. David was a judge almost every year until 2017 when his failing health prevented it.





**David & Victoria having breakfast with Mark Beck & Kiri Sattler after the 2015 Hour4Peace. Mark found Eternal Peace in October of 2016, so that year's Hour For Peace, NoCo was dedicated to him.**



**With "Bubba". Even after he retired from Grizzly Adams Productions in 2011, David continued to support several wildlife sanctuaries for wolves, lions, tigers, & bears.**



**In his Mardi Gras Jester's hat. Always the jester!**



**David loved his dog Obi (Obi-Wan Kenobi). He also loved watching and feeding the birds, squirrels, and rabbits in his backyard, and turned it into an official wildlife sanctuary for them. Obi soon learned to not chase them away; that it was their home as much as his.**

**In college, he looked a lot like James Dean!  
When he grew older, he was totally devoted to his three daughters,  
Lisa, Lori, and Jennifer, and his three grandchildren.**





**David was very close with his sister Irene and brother Dennis.  
Below: David and Dennis “playing well with others” at Loveland’s Sculpture Park.**



**Below: Receiving one of his hundreds of Awards. As Vice President and Senior Producer for Grizzly Adams Productions, he produced, directed, researched, and wrote scripts for over 500 faith based/family friendly films, including the 39 episode “Ancient Secrets of the Bible”. A list his films is at the International Movie Data Base, [www.IMDb.com](http://www.IMDb.com); type “David Balsiger” in the “Search” box.**







“God has richly blessed me! My goal has always been to create quality work that makes the world a better place . . . and to leave this world a little better than when I entered it.” Dr. David W. Balsiger, June 12, 2017



An exhibit of David’s life and work will soon be on display in museums and libraries all over the country. If you wish a copy of the on-line version of his Museum Exhibit, Email Victoria at [Hour4Peace@att.net](mailto:Hour4Peace@att.net) or [DrVickie@att.net](mailto:DrVickie@att.net) .