Gardner named UC presidents

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — David G. Gardner, president of the University of Utah, was named today as the new president of the University of California.

Gardner, 49, who has experience as a student, teacher and administrator in the UC system, was chosen from among 250 candidates to replace David S. Saxon, departing in June to become chairman of the corporation that runs the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Gardner gained a strong reputation as a fundraiser during his decade at the University of Utah, where he maintained good relationships with politicians, the media and the business world.

Gardner holds a bachelor of science degree in hitory, geography and political science from Brigham Young University, a masters degree in political science from UC Berkeley and a doctorate in higher education, also from Berkeley.

He taught higher education at UC Santa Barbara, where he served as vice chancellor during the politically turbulent late 1960s. From January 1971 to July 1973, Gardner served as UC's vice president.

A Mormon and a family man, Gardner teaches Sunday School and will not conduct business on Sunday or on more than two consecutive nights. He and his wife, Elizabeth Fuhriman, have four daughters, aged 13, 16, 20 and 22.