



Bruce Deeben

July 26, 1942 - April 18, 2018

Bruce VanDyke Deeben, age 75, passed away on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at home with his wife by his side. He was born to Clarence and Irene Deeben on July 26, 1942 in Salt Lake City, Utah. He graduated from Springville High School and Utah Tech (now Utah Valley University).

Bruce retired from BYU as a maintenance technician. Prior to BYU he owned/operated his own business as a petroleum contractor. He married Charlene Reid in 1964 and later divorced. He then married Marjean Porter in November 1995.

Bruce served in the LDS temple as an ordinance worker which gave him great pleasure and peace. He and his wife, Marjean, also served a mission in the New Mexico Albuquerque Mission office for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He gained many close associations through that service and made eternal friendships. He served with all his heart and gave so much to so many. He is beloved by the missionaries he associated with and fellow temple workers.

Bruce's first priorities were always his wife, family and God. He loved being outdoors and giving grandchildren treats. He also loved swimming and just having a good time with his family. He was always the one that tried to make sure everyone was having a good time at get togethers. Some things that Bruce will be remembered for is his big laugh, cute smile, teasing, and his big hands. His heart was very forgiving and kind. He was always ready to help out anyone who needed a helping hand and quick to love.

He is survived by his wife, Marjean; children – Derick, Tracy Riley (Frank), Kathy Horrocks (Ron), Julie Sacco, John (Mandy). Also step-children: Leonard Downing (Samantha), Amanda Coleman (Matt), Matthew Downing (Dixie); 21 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son – James Clarence; and his parents (Clarence and Irene Deeben).

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and love to Bruce's hospice nurse

who served and honored him in his care with love, humor and sensitivity. She is the best there is.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers you donate to the humanitarian/missionary fund of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, April 21st at 1:00 pm at the Sunset Heights 4th Ward, 500 South 600 West, Orem, Utah, where a Viewing will be held prior from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. Interment in Springville Evergreen Cemetery, 1997 South 400 East, Springville, Utah.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

Cemetery

Springville Evergreen Cemetery

1997 South 400 East

Springville, UT,

Events

APR **Viewing** 11:00AM - 12:30PM

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Sunset Heights 4th Ward

500 South 600 West, Orem, UT, US, 84058

APR **Funeral Service** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Sorry to hear about the passing of this great man. We will always remember the short time we spent with you in the mission office in Albuquerque, NM. May the Lord bless you and your family with comfort and peace at this challenging time.

Ron & Chris Myers

Ron & Chris Myers - June 07, 2018 at 09:26 AM



“ Joyce Sawyer lit a candle in memory of Bruce Deeben



Joyce Sawyer - April 24, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ Dear Marjean & All the Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Bruce has always been helpful even when ill. He always made sure my driveway & sidewalks were cleared of snow. Bruce & Marjean are wonderful neighbors & I will miss his kind presence. Love & Prayers to you all, Joyce Sawyer

Joyce Sawyer - April 24, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ My heart greaves for your loss of such a wonderful man. I remember Bruce letting me borrow his pickup when I came for women's conference, he was so sweet to me. He always mad me feel so welcomed when I came to visit. Then I found out he was kind of related to my ex sister in law through marriage. I remember how both if you use to pinch each other because your marriage seemed like a dream it was so good. You two were so cute together. I missed the funeral because I didn't know, I'm so sorry for your loss Marjean. Love you

Tracy Warnock - April 22, 2018 at 01:09 AM



“ Marjean we are so sorry we won't be there on Saturday but our prayers are with you. Bruce was a great man.

Vickie Ahlstrom - April 20, 2018 at 05:47 PM



“ The Birks lit a candle in memory of Bruce Deeben



The Birks - April 20, 2018 at 03:36 PM



“ Debbie Eyre lit a candle in memory of Bruce Deeben



debbie eyre - April 20, 2018 at 02:36 PM



“ I was so blessed to call this sweet, humble, gentle giant my uncle. I am so grateful for the many visits we enjoyed together over the years, but especially these past several months, and the tender feelings he shared with me of his gratitude for those who brought such joy and love to his life, most especially his sweet Marjean, he simply adored her...and will forever. I will miss you so much, thank you for touching my life, you made a difference. I love you.

Kristine Buck - April 20, 2018 at 12:31 AM