



Jeff McAllister

October 26, 1957 - June 2, 2020

On June 2, 2020, our beloved father, husband and son, Jeffrey Scott McAllister, returned to his heavenly home after sustaining injuries in a motorcycle accident. He was 62 years old.

Jeff was born October 26, 1957 in Tooele, Utah to Dale and Faye McAllister, the fourth of their five children. He grew up in Orem, Utah and graduated from Orem High School in 1975. Jeff was a loving son, an adventurous brother, and an inquisitive learner. He was famous for asking “Why?” to everything, which later manifested in his successful career as a mechanical engineer.

Jeff was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In 1977, he served a two-year mission in Kobe, Japan where he grew to love the people there and created lifelong friendships. Throughout his life, he served in many capacities in the church, but his favorite was working with youth. He loved young people and forged special, lasting connections with them.

In 1980, while attending BYU, Jeff met the love of his life, Caroline Lawson, who he liked to call “Doll”. They married on December 30th of that year in the LDS Temple in Oakland, California. Together they enjoyed 39 years of marriage and brought 5 beautiful children into the world. His children were the light of his life and he loved supporting each of them in their hobbies and talents.

His favorite pastime was camping with family. He looked forward to family time in the mountains in his yellow “fixer upper” camping trailer. He also had a passion for music and spent much of his time performing in choirs and encouraging his children to develop their own artistic talents.

Jeff graduated from BYU in 1985 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and took a job at Hewlett Packard in Boise, Idaho. There he raised his family and was a devoted employee for 33 years, receiving more than three dozen patents for ingenuity, as well as

many other accolades. He loved his work, but his favorite HP memories were having his kids and grandkids come visit him for lunches, and playing intense games of volleyball with work friends.

One of Jeff's most quintessential qualities was his kindness. He truly loved everyone and consistently demonstrated it through his actions. He had a sincere interest in others and would reach out to engage family and friends in meaningful conversation whenever possible.

Jeff accomplished so much in his 62 short years. His demonstration of steadfast faith, willing service, and constant kindness is imprinted on his children, grandchildren, and friends. He made sure we knew the gospel of Jesus Christ was one of his most treasured possessions. We also knew his other greatest treasure was our mother. He was devoted to her, showing his love through time and attention, continually reminding his kids to do the same.

Dad we will miss you dearly, think of you always, and love you forever.

Jeff is survived by his wife Caroline Lawson McAllister, his children Amber (Rick) Swensen, Tyler (Kindra) McAllister, Heather (Ethen) Roberts, Molly (Trey) Skousen, Dallin (Madeleine) McAllister, 13 grandchildren, his parents Dale and Faye McAllister, and his siblings Mike (Debby) McAllister, Craig (Anna Rae) McAllister, and Cindy (Joel) Tuaileva. He is preceded in death by his younger brother Kevin Leo McAllister.

A public viewing will be held Friday, June 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Utah Valley Mortuary, 1966 West 700 North, Lindon, Utah. A family funeral service will follow the next morning, Saturday, June 13th at 10:00 a.m. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the funeral will also be live streamed for friends and extended family who wish to attend at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1920 North 500 West, Lehi, Utah for the first 99 people that arrive. ALL are invited to the graveside service immediately following the funeral at American Fork City Cemetery. We ask that social distancing rules are followed and wearing of masks is suggested. Those who are not able to attend may watch the service live on Jeff's Facebook page at the following link <https://www.facebook.com/jeff.mcallister.12>.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

Cemetery

American Fork City Cemetery

600 North 100 East

American Fork, UT, 84003

Events

JUN **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Utah Valley Mortuary

1966 West 700 North, Lindon, UT, US, 84042

JUN **Funeral Service** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

1920 North 500 West, Lehi, UT, US, 84043

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Utah Valley Mortuary - June 09 at 10:20 PM



“ Rest in peace Jeff. Enjoyed my association with you. Although I spent most of my time hanging with Cindy while your family lived in California I nevertheless enjoyed knowing you and Kevin. Praying for your family while they grieve for you. Thank goodness for our Savior's Plan of Salvation and the sealing powers that have been restored that bind our families together.

Haunani Howell - June 10 at 06:17 PM



“ Steve and I will never forget the loving attentive home teaching companion Jeff was to our Cody. The beautiful life sketch and men's musical number he put together will forever stay in our memory. We didn't know you had moved-it was so fun to run into you at the Village a few years ago. Caroline I am grateful for the opportunity I had to work with you in young women's and for the years we watched your children grown into such extraordinary people. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you proceed through this new normal. Steve and Pat Young

Steve and Pat Young - June 14 at 09:20 PM



“ Thank you Pat. Such wonderful memories

Caroline McAllister - July 05 at 04:04 PM



“ Jeff was the best home teacher anyone could ever ask for. He came by faithfully for years and he left a lasting impact on my life. I still remember when he found out I had never been golfing before he brought over some plastic kids golf clubs and taught me to golf in the front yard of our house the next time he came home teaching. Jeff had a way of making you feel loved every time he saw you. He would greet you with the biggest smile on his face and say, "HEY! HOW ARE YOU?!?" He made you feel like you made his day by just being there. It didn't matter if he saw you the day before or the year before, it was always the same. He was just happy to see you and excited for you. He was a gentle giant in both body and spirit. He has long been one of my heroes and he will be missed.

Devin Anderson - June 13 at 12:48 PM



“ I worked at HP and played volleyball with him in the HP league, at lunch and in the Boise leagues. He was the kindest, most gentle man. So positive when we played. Prayers to you all. He touched many lives I'm sure.

Kristin Dahl Knight - June 12 at 10:32 PM



“ I have similar Volleyball experiences with Jeff - in the sun on the grass courts or as a teammate in city league. Jeff was always a positive influence on the rest of us. He will be remembered and missed.

Kraig A Griebenow - June 13 at 11:00 AM



“ To all of the McAllister family. Rich and I are heart broke to hear of Jeff's passing. He was such a positive influence and friend. Richard so enjoyed rides with he and Tyler and we loved it when he visited us. We have missed seeing all of you these past few years. Jeff's light will shine with us forever. Our Deepest Sympathy, Winter's - Boise ID

Lisa Winter - June 11 at 05:31 PM



“ Worked with Jeff for many years at HP and can't believe he is gone.. It is impossible to picture him without a smile and positive attitude. Whether playing softball with our team (and BTW injuring himself) or playing sand volley ball shirtless every summer summer day with the HP kids he was always intensely focused and operating at 200% ability. A big inspiration to us all. My best memory is Jeff singing Christmas carols at HP about Jesus Christ and his great love for us. So much strength and wisdom in his convictions. Jeff you were a one of a kind and will be greatly missed. Sincerely, Mark Rau

Mark A Rau - June 10 at 03:02 PM