



## John Deschamps Dredge

July 26, 1934 - January 23, 2018

John Deschamps Dredge, 83, passed away Tuesday, January 23, 2018 after a stroke. He was born July 26, 1934, in Malad, Idaho to Shelba Deschamps and Jesse Richard Dredge.

He attended elementary and high school in Malad, then attended and graduated from BYU. He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and held varied positions, his favorite being in the Scouting program. He served in the Central Atlantic States Mission for the LDS Church, and in the Army for 2 years in Chicago.

He was very outgoing and loved being with and learning about all sorts of people. He also loved working with wood, whittling and teaching others how to carve safely, and making useful items like spoons, spatulas and chop sticks. He also made many lovely baskets out of pine needles. He loved his large and interesting family.

He is survived by one sister, Marilee (Brent) King, and 3 brothers: Jesse Richard Dredge, David Ray (Helen) Dredge and Louis Stephen (Marla) Dredge; his wife Marilyn, and 9 children: Kathleen (John) Clark, Maureen (Clair) Mills, John Jr. (Suzanne) Dredge, Michelle (Nelson) Palmer, Cheryl (Kirk) Rich, Jeanette (Kenneth) Martin, Robert (Anissa) Dredge, Deborah (Brandon) Nixon, Douglas (Christine) Dredge; 39 grandchildren and 14 greatgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter (Christine) and one sister-in-law (June Dredge).

A Visitation will be held Tuesday, January 30th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Cherry Hill 5th Ward, 135 East 2000 South, Orem, Utah. A Private Family Service will be held at a later date. Interment in Orem City Cemetery.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

# Cemetery

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## Orem City Cemetery

1520 North 800 East

Orem, UT, 84097

# Events

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**JAN** **Visitation** 06:30PM - 08:00PM

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Cherry Hill 5th Ward

135 East 2000 South, Orem, UT, US

# Comments

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“ As a scout, I took for granted the many sacrifices that I'm sure were often made to be the great scoutmaster that Brother Dredge was to me and many others. I still have several wood kerchief slides that he carved for me :) I wish I would have told him "Thank You" more than I did 40 years ago, but wish to tell him so now - "Thank You!"  
-Clark Pitcher

**Clark Pitcher** - January 31, 2018 at 04:08 PM

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“ Marilyn, Our sincere thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this time. I look back with so many fond memories of John on numerous ward and scouting campouts and activities. I proudly display four of Johns pine needle baskets in my front entry way. I remember how much John and my brother Duane enjoyed sharing some of their wood carving skills and talents while out at our property in Duchesne. I look forward to that day when we will all be reunited again on the other side. I assure you John will be waiting there for you with open arms when that day comes. We love you and your family! Darin and Chantelle Taylor

**Darin Taylor** - January 30, 2018 at 07:08 PM

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“ Dear Marilyn, We were so fortunate to have you and Brother Dredge as our home teachers. We had many informative and happy, fun-filled visits. We love you both very much. May our Heavenly Father bless you and your beautiful family with comfort and peace. Teddy and Richard Stratton

**Theodora A. Stratton** - January 29, 2018 at 11:35 PM

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“ John was funny and kind. I knew him through business and he was always generous. I still have Christmas tree ornaments he carved and gave me back in the 90's. God Speed John . You were a good guy.

**Nancy Low** - January 29, 2018 at 03:16 PM

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“ John is a wonderful man. He was a fine representative of the Dredge family I am proud to be related to him and wish the family the best. May the Lord bless all of you.  
Phillip and Joyce Kunz

**Phillip Kunz** - January 28, 2018 at 04:33 PM



“ I remember Uncle John giving me my first pocketknife, but only after I'd memorized all 13 Articles of Faith. It was a special treat for a young boy!

**Adam Shumway** - January 28, 2018 at 01:45 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dredge Family at this time. As a family we are grateful for all the Dredge Family has done for our family. We will miss Brother Dredge!

Love,  
Vic, Mindy, Andrew, and Tom Walsh (Cherry Hill 5th Ward)

**Mindy Walsh** - January 28, 2018 at 12:12 PM

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“ Always the gentle soul with winning smile and eagerness to help. Great scouter, wood carver and mostly an obedient patient of mine.

**David N Peterson, M.D.** - January 28, 2018 at 11:22 AM

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“ I will always remember John as a great scout leader, a mentor, and friend. And of course, him getting me to the hospital after my bike accident in only 25minutes, even though we were 50 miles away. While I was a teenager he helped me see what was really important in life and helped steer me on a path to obtain it. My heart has always been full of love and respect for him. He was a real strong example to me of how a man should be.

With love, Lee Mackay.

**Lee Mackay** - January 27, 2018 at 01:19 PM