



Dale E. Bradley

April 17, 1943 ~ January 31, 2017

Dale Bradley (Polar Bear) was born in Salt Lake City, Utah to B. Dave Bradley and Thurma Eyre Bradley.

He spent his early years participating in sports and especially excelled at football, skiing, and water skiing at Bear Lake. Dale was a proud graduate of Highland High School in 1961; later graduating from the University of Utah on a full Athletic scholarship. He was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and made and kept life long friends.

On September 9, 1967, he married his wife of 49 years Barbara Birch Bradley. They raised their two children, Michael and Heather in the East Mill Creek area of the city. Dale took over the family business, Dave's Body Shop at a young age and continued to expand the business into West Jordan. As a business leader, he served in many capacities in Rotary International, director of The Better Business Bureau, President of the South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce and on several boards within the Automotive Industry.

Dale loved golf with a passion especially at Hidden Valley Country Club and The Classic Club. He was a tireless supporter of the University of Utah's Crimson Club and had some 50 years of tickets to the football games. Recently, he was able to take a dream golf vacation to Ireland.

He will be best remembered as a loyal, fun loving family man. Barbara, Mike and Heather enjoyed all his travel, skiing, golfing and boating adventures. He made their lives fun. In later life, his grandsons Conner and Keegan were his number one priority. He had two boys to watch grow and mature and of course, he rarely missed any of their games. He taught them to be gentlemen and they adored their Papa.

Our gratitude goes out to the many friends and family who supported us, prayed for us and came many miles to say goodbye, during this difficult week. Dale was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and his faith empowered him to meet his health challenges. At Dale's request, a celebration of his life will be held in the Spring in Salt Lake City. He will be buried in Bear Lake (Garden City) next to his son Michael Dale. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter Heather Bradley Wright, son in law Greg Wright; grandsons Conner and Keegan Turner, and brother Jay De Bradley and sister-in-law Stephanie.

In Lieu of Flowers please consider a donation to Habitat for Humanity or a Charity of your choice.