Wm. Roger Hanson

January 19, 1956 ~ November 30, 2015

Wm. Roger Hanson, adored husband, dad, papa, brother, uncle and friend, passed away November 30, 2015 in SLC, Utah after a long battle with Rheumatoid Arthritis. He was born on January 19, 1956 in Las Vegas, Nevada to Lawrence K. (Ladd) and Glenna W. Hanson. He spent his early childhood in Las Vegas and moved to Utah where he graduated from South High School, lettering in football and track. He later graduated from ITT Technical College in Electronics.

He married his high school sweetheart, Karen Bailey, on September 23, 1975 in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of 5 children: Jeff, Mindy, Brandon, Brynn and Matt. Above all else, he was devoted to his family. He was an amazing dad and had a special connection with each of his grandchildren.

Roger loved boating, fishing, camping and spending time at Lake Powell and at their family cabin, which he helped build. He loved building anything from toy boxes to large commercial buildings. He was a Superintendent for Big D Construction as well as Bud Bailey Construction Co., where he was known for his strong work ethic and quality work. He loved sharing his skills and serving neighbors and friends whenever the opportunity arose. He had a great sense of humor and his quick wit was his trademark. Despite his physical disability in later years, he remained positive and put other's needs before his own. He made everyone feel like family and was a true example of enduring to the end.

He is survived by his wife, Karen, and children Jeff, Mindy, Brandon and Alicia Hanson, Brynn and Bart Ridd, and Matt and Lisa Hanson and sister, Lynn and David Smith. He has 11 beautiful grandchildren that he loved and cherished. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, loving sister in law and brothers in law, and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and baby sister, Irene.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 5, 2015 at the Butler West Stake Center, 1845 East 7200 South at 1:00 p.m. Viewings will be held Friday, December 4th from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Larkin Sunset Gardens Mortuary, 1950 East 10600 South, Sandy, and from 11:45-12:45 on Saturday at the Stake Center.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to AutismSpeaks.org.

We love you Papa, and will miss you until we see you again.