Brad Henry Gukeisen

January 2, 1959 ~ March 29, 2018

Our dear Son, Brother, Father, and Friend Brad Henry Gukeisen passed away on March 29, 2018 in Murray, Utah. Born on January 2, 1959 to William and Katie Pistorius Gukeisen in Salt Lake City, Utah. It goes without saying that Brad was a fighter from the moment he was born. He was born with Spina Bifida Occulta which paralyzed him at the age of 4; the doctors told him he would never be able to walk again, or even play sports. Brad, of course, proved them wrong by walking again and even going on to play football at West High School. Following high school, Brad went on to the University of Utah where he enjoyed cheering on the Utah Utes.

One of Brad\s most beloved hobbies was playing in his band; he loved playing his guitar. Rock and Jazz were his favorite genres. He also enjoyed listening to the band Rush and just loved lead their vocalist, Geddy Lee,Äîsomeone whose moves Brad could oftentimes be found mimicking when he listened to Rush music.

Brad\s favorite sport was football and his favorite teams were Utah Utes and Dallas Cowboys. He was a true fan and was never afraid to show how much he loved and enjoyed his teams and would let everyone know it.

Brad was also incredibly passionate about his children; he loved them with his whole heart and loved showing it. He always made sure they were taken care of and knew that they came first, even when his kids became adults! He didn\t even care if that meant putting himself on hold; Brad's selflessness as a father went above and beyond always and his children will forever be grateful.

Brad was the person everyone went to for advice because he always had a positive attitude and a smile on his face. Even when Brad went through hard times in his life, he never lost his faith in God. He made it a point to always try to find the good in everyone and everything. He was a firm believer in our Heavenly Father and the LDS Church.

Brad is survived by brother, Roger Gukeisen and his family; his children with former spouse Susan Sumsion: daughter, Valerie Gukeisen Nielsen, and son, Brad Lee Gukeisen; great-aunt, Elsie Erickson; and cousins, Gary VanVranken and his family, Keith VanVranken and his family, and Ross VanVranken and his family. Preceded in death by his parents, William and Katie Gukeisen.

A gathering and visitation among family and friends will be held Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Larkin Sunset Lawn Mortuary, 2350 East 1300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

R.I.P. Brad Henry Gukeisen

Always on our minds, always in our hearts, and never forgotten!