

Daniel Owen Collett

May 4, 1955 ~ April 14, 2023

Daniel Owen Collett passed away peacefully at home on Friday, April 14th, 2023, after a valiant fight with cancer. He is survived by his beloved wife, Vicki Low Collett, his three children, Rosalyn [Tanner Poulsen], Benjamin [Madeline Collett], and Luke [Sierra Collett], and his two siblings, Camille DeLong, and Bruce Collett.

Son of Owen and Jean, Dan was raised in Lafayette, California but graduated from Bountiful High School after the family moved to Utah prior to his sophomore year. From a young age, Dan was known for his spirit and charm. A proud yell-leader for the high school cheer team and a gifted thespian, Dan won a regional drama competition that took him to Brigham Young University on a full-ride theatre scholarship. He served in the Switzerland Zurich mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where, at the behest of his mission president, Dan was made Assistant to the President over public relations—a position created just for him. This was one of the first (but certainly not the last) times Dan was recognized for his unique gifts, and used them to have a positive impact, create lasting connections, and cultivate a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ. Upon returning from his mission, Dan attended BYU, where he soon found a friend in his first cousin, Vicki Low. After ten years and many separate life experiences, the two finally realized: They were meant to spend life together. Dan and Vicki were married in Edmonton, Alberta on December 5th, 1985. The pair settled in Sandy, UT, in what was meant to be a five-year home, and never left. They found everlasting joy in their three children and two grandchildren, Brooks and Berkley—of whom Dan couldn't get enough.

Dan worked as a Senior Manager of International Training and Development at Novell for nine years before becoming a Partner at SSCA—a behavioral consulting firm—where he remained for 25 years. His family generously shared him with clientele across the globe, yet somehow, he never made anyone feel that there was less to go around. It was a superpower of Dan's, that energy, profound positivity, and passion for people. Like the energizer bunny in a button-up polo and blue suede shoes, Dan built a career out of building relationships and helping others do the same. It was a gift he shared over and over again, with everyone in his life—the reminder that "all we have is each other." He was immensely fulfilled in that purpose and in his role at SSCA. Although, his favorite and most proudly worn title was that of "Papa." Dan lived for his family. There was no day more perfect than any day spent with them.

There was no shell Dan couldn't crack. No stranger he couldn't make smile. No problem too impossible to help you solve. No ski slope so powdery it couldn't be interrupted by a burger and a Snickers bar. No room he couldn't brighten, both as an interior decorator with a flair for lighting design and as the most vivacious man any of us have ever known. For Dan, there was no adventure too daunting. No bag of chocolate chips too hidden. There was absolutely no restaurant too elegant, or hour too late for someone he loved. With Dan, no song went unsung, nor

flower un-watered. No phone call went too long, and there was never a sheep too far gone for Dan Collett to find. He gathered people into his fold, saw them clearly, held them tightly, built them up, and cheered them on, not because he thought he should, but because he didn't have to think about it at all. He just made things beautiful. He was the life of every party…and he probably planned the party. He was the man you put on the mic because he knew how to put on a show. And for those of us lucky enough to have been a part of it, what an honor it was to be cast; to be gathered and given a place to belong. The reviews are in, Dan-O: You Lived in Glory and you are called home to It. We love you so. Now go, Dan! Go!

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 11:00 am at the Lone Peak Stake Center, 11570 Wasatch Blvd, Sandy, Utah 84092. A visitation will be held prior to the funeral from 9:30-10:30 at the church. Innichment to follow at Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery. 0nline condolences welcomed at http://www.larkincares.com.

Those wishing to view the COMPLETED service via Zoom can click on the "Watch Services" button or follow the link:
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