

Douglas Wade Johnson

October 16, 1940 ~ June 20, 2021

Douglas died on June 20, 2021, even though we lost him by degrees to dementia long before that.

Doug was born to Herschell Wade Johnson and Genevieve Esberg Johnson in Ft Defiance, Arizona on October 16, 1940. His family moved to Brigham City, Utah, where he spent his early years, and graduated from Box Elder High. He subsequently attended Weber College, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Phoenix. He proudly served in the U.S. Army Reserves, honorably discharged in 1966.

He married his wife, Sandra Lee Day in 1962. His work then transferred him to Oregon where their daughter was born. They later returned to Utah where their son was born, and Doug opened, owned and operated The Paint Shop, auto body repair. Later, he managed Dave's Auto Body Shop. He then became a field appraiser for Nationwide Insurance.

His life-long love of golf was highlighted by a hole-in-one while golfing with his son at Entrada at Snow Canyon. He engaged in many other sports, and particularly loved skiing, basketball, jeeping, fishing, camping, visiting national parks, Utah sunsets and spending time with his family.

Doug is survived by his wife Sandra, daughter Kristen Lynn, son David Wade (Spring), four grandchildren, three great granddaughters, and his sister Peggy Johnson Baczuk. He was preceded in death by his parents and his half-sister Pauline Nelson of Fresno, CA.

We are grateful for the kindness and care of the staff and management of Summit Memory Care, and the wonderful people at Harmony Hospice. Thank you also to Nancy Lusk at S.L. County Aging Services and caregiver, Melissa, at Home Instead.

A Celebration of Life will be held, Saturday, July 10, in the Chateau at Le Jardin, 1910 East Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, Utah. Friends may visit any time between 12:00 noon and 3:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, please bring any favorite memories of Doug to share.