

Eric "Ejay" Hooton

August 6, 1980 ~ May 4, 2023

Eric Jay Hooton of Herriman, Utah, left our earthly arms to enter our loving Heavenly Fathers embrace on May 4, 2023, due to an unforeseen illness.

Eric or lovingly known as Ejay, was born on August 6, 1980, in Salt Lake City, Utah to Eric F. Hooton and Gerrilyn Hatch Hooton. He married Amber Spencer Hooton on June 4, 2004. They were sealed for Time and Eternity on June 4, 2005, in the Salt Lake Temple. Together they have 2 wonderful children: Eric Parker Hooton and Lyla Ruth Hooton. He loved his family with all his heart and was willing to give everything for them.

Eric graduated from Bingham High School in 1998 and then served a honorable mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of latter-day-saints to Leeds, England from 1999-2001. He worked for LabCorp and IHC for several years before attending MTECH graduating with his Electricians License last year and was preparing to finish his Journeymen's exam. He found great joy and pride in his work. He loved using his new skills and knowledge to help others. He had a kind and generous soul and always made sure his family knew he loved them.

He enjoyed many activities with his family and friends especially if it was going to Disneyland. He and his family have lots of great memories of their trips there. Eric was often the unexpected entertainment for many while waiting in lines for the rides.

He liked playing baseball but liked it most when his kids started playing and was able to help them practice and learn the game. Friday nights were date nights spent with his wife, Amber, kicking up his heels and learning new line dances. One of his favorite activities was going to the gym with Amber and working out with the 4 am crew at Lifetime Fitness. He loved that his Grandpa Hatch taught him to golf and being out on the course as well as going to Top Golf. Eric enjoyed earning his black belt in karate, hiking, geocaching, shooting, going fast on jet skis and going to Lagoon.

Eric is survived by his wife, Amber, son Parker and daughter Lyla; Mother Gerri, Father Eric (Karen); Sisters Heather (Brad) Baker, Sara (Stephen) Malik and Beth (Nate) Kennaley; Grandparents, Norman and Donna Hatch; Aunts, Deanna (Dave) Holmes, Sheryl Thompson, Kathy Brown, Uncle Kevin (Jo) Hooton; Father and Mother-in-law, Steve and Kim Spencer, Brothers-in-law, Steven (Shannon) Spencer, Ryan (Justine) Spencer; Sister-in-law, Hailee Spencer; Nephews and Nieces, Emmalee, Sami, Alyssa Baker, Kaden, Gracie, Ryan Malik, Lily, Lincoln, Lucy Kennaley, Brayden, Porter, Lola, Clair, Carter, Dylan, Noah, Dallas Spencer and Sawyer Spencer as well as numerous cousins and other extended family.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at the LDS Church located at 5424 Rosecrest Rd, Herriman, Utah. The viewing will be held from 10:00 am to 11:45 am. Services to follow at 12:00 pm.

In Lieu of flowers, please consider donating to his wife and children. A Go Fund Me has been set up at https://gofund.me/3c2fd6d7

To view the recorded funeral service, click on the blue "Watch Services button above.