

Erik Nels Tycksen

April 6, 1987 ~ August 16, 2022

Erik Nels Tycksen, age 35, passed away unexpectedly on August 16, 2022 at his home in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was born April 6, 1987 in Provo, Utah to Steven Cecil Tycksen and Ruth Hansen Tycksen and was the youngest of eight children.

Erik graduated from Alta High School in Sandy, Utah and went on to serve his country in the Air Force in the Security Forces for six years. He faithfully fulfilled multiple deployments in Kuwait and Iraq, and was also stationed in England, and North Dakota. He became an expert marksman during his military service. Upon returning home from his military service he married Karen Hollingsworth, and they later divorced. Together they had three children, Eleanor Quinn, Jackson Alrik, and Charlotte Blake, all of which have his red hair. He loved his children dearly and was a loving and patient father.

Erik loved performing and singing for anyone who would listen. As a child, he would sing and dance regularly around the home. It wasn't unusual to hear him belting out his favorite songs at the top of his lungs as he mowed the lawn, and he could be heard from anywhere in the chapel when singing hymns at church.

As a teenager, he performed in many community plays including Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at Draper Theater, the "Tin Man" in the Wizard of Oz, Pirates of Penzance with the Sandy City Amphitheater, and as "Javert" in Les Miserable at Alta High School. He was on the Alta High School Ballroom team and loved dancing as well.

Erik loved anything and everything to do with Star Wars and even had baby pictures taken of his children wearing a padawan costume with a lightsaber in their tiny hands. He was a fan of ComicCon, lengthy fantasy novels, Zelda, karaoke, and Scottish kilts. He loved spending time with his brothers and enjoyed building Minecraft worlds with his kids. His contagious smile and loving personality will be greatly missed.

Erik is survived by his children, Ellie, Jackson, and Charlotte, his parents, Steve and Ruth Tycksen, his siblings Clayton (Heather Haugen), Spencer (Emily Chipping), Kerstin (Brian Jones), Jon (Mike Bacca), Josh (McCall Miller), Katie (Aaron Bell), Jessica, (Phillip Scott Thurston), and many friends and loved ones.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, August 26, 2022 at 11:00 am at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 1355 East 7200 South, Cottonwood Heights, Utah. A private family viewing will be held at 9:00 a.m. prior to the service with a public viewing following at 10:00 a.m. Grave dedication and interment will be at Larkin Sunset Gardens 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, Utah.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the GoFundMe https://gofund.me/6ea0abcc to help with funeral expenses and provide a future for his children.

Those wishing to view the COMPLETED services via Zoom can click the "Watch Services" button or follow the link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/83GJSInGq3qAxer9a7IJ342mx81m9IeNO2OcJj68zjAAlO0M7-oJprH5hwEYoBpX.kpFt