

Jack Spencer Burt

May 6, 1947 ~ November 4, 2023

Jack Spencer Burt passed away on November 4, 2023, at the age of 76, due to heart complications. He leaves behind a legacy of love, service, and selflessness. His memory will continue to inspire the many people who knew and loved him.

Born on May 6, 1947, to Jack West Burt and Ruth Glendora Spencer, Jack would go on to become the eldest of six siblings. In his youth, he was a passionate sports enthusiast, participating in football and wrestling for Granite High School, where he proudly graduated in 1965. On December 17, 1965, Jack married his sweetheart Sherry Bagley in the Salt Lake Temple and together, they embarked on a 58-year journey that blessed them with 7 children, 17 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

In 1966, Jack answered the call to serve his country and was drafted into the U.S. Army. His service was marked by dedication and sacrifice, which included sustaining a life-altering back injury. Despite the challenges he faced, he was granted an honorable discharge. Upon his return to civilian life, Jack began his career working for the Rio Grande Railroad.

His determination to provide for his family remained unshaken, even after being forced to retire at the age of 38 due to a serious knee injury which ended his career with the Rio Grande Railroad.

Jack possessed a unique gift for auto-mechanics and could fix anything with his expertise. He loved all things automobiles, trains, and motors. He was a car washing, shoe shining, pocket knife carrying, train track loving man willing to help at all times. Jack had an exceptional ability to visualize solutions for repairing whatever he was given that was damaged, broken, or falling apart, both in the mechanical world and, more importantly, in the lives of those who were feeling broken or in need of help.

Jack’s work ethic was unwavering, and his selfless service to others was a testament to his character. He never sought praise or attention; he simply showed up, gave his all, and left when the job was done. His Christlike service impacted many lives through his steadfast strength. Jack exemplified the values of hard work and dedication, teaching others the profound importance of service.

As a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Jack faithfully served as a counselor in the bishopric and as a High Priest Group Leader. However, his most cherished calling was as a husband, father, and grandfather. Jack’s love for his family was boundless, and he found his greatest joy when he was surrounded by his beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jack is preceded in death by his parents, Jack West Burt and Ruth Glendora Burt as well as his daughter, Sandra Kaye. He is survived by his loving wife, Sherry; his children Aleisha Burt, Kelli (Eddie) Matua, Aaron Burt, Spencer (Amber) Burt, Steven (Jennie) Burt, Jackie (Michael) King, 17 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, his siblings,

and their spouses. He will be deeply missed but we find peace knowing that families are forever.

A viewing to honor Jack’s memory will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 pm and Friday, November 10, 2023, at 9:30-10:30 am. The funeral service will commence at 11:00 am. All services will take place at 1845 East 7200 South, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121. The interment will be held at Larkin Sunset Gardens 1950 East 10600 South Sandy, UT 84092.

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