

James Ross Anderson

April 28, 1947 ~ December 5, 2022

On Monday December 5, 2022, James Ross Anderson, beloved husband and father passed away. Jim was 75 years old.

Jim was born April 28, 1947 to Ross and Bernice Anderson in Castle Dale, UT, “on the kitchen table” as he used to love to say. He was the third of four children, Loretta, Kathy, and Don.

Jim graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor’s degree in Business Management. After finding his career with Salt Lake County Fire Department in 1977 he pursued a paramedic degree at Weber State University. Jim ended his career as a Captain for Unified Fire Authority in 2009 having mentored countless new firefighters and paramedics over his career, many who are still shooting for the blue dot.

Jim met the love of his life Kathy while working at a Phillip’s 66 service station on Beck Street in North Salt Lake, Kathy dropped by many times, even when she didn’t need much gas, before Jim finally asked her out. They were married in February 1972 in Bountiful UT where Jim stepped on Kathy’s veil all evening long.

Jim was known for his witty humor, always having a joke for any situation. He loved to fish, hunt, and camp with his family in the mountains and desert around Castle Dale. His children remember him for teaching them everything they know, the right way to build things and the “Jim way” to build things. Jim loved animals and animals loved him and would crawl in his lap to snuggle in.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents, Ross and Bernice, sister Kathy and her husband Ken Stilson, his son Wil and daughter Amy. He is survived by his wife, Kathy, and his three children Matthew (Jackie), Kelli Rae (Nate) , and Michael (Elaine), and his granddaughter Sky.

Funeral services will be held at Noon on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at the Larkin Mortuary of Riverton, 3688 West 12600 South, Riverton Utah. A viewing will take place on Friday, December 9, 2022, from 6-8 PM, as well as on Saturday prior to services beginning at 11AM. Interment to follow at Riverton City Cemetery.

Funeral services will be streamed via Zoom for those wishing to attend virtually or unable to attend in person. To watch the previously held funeral services, please click the "Watch Services" link above.