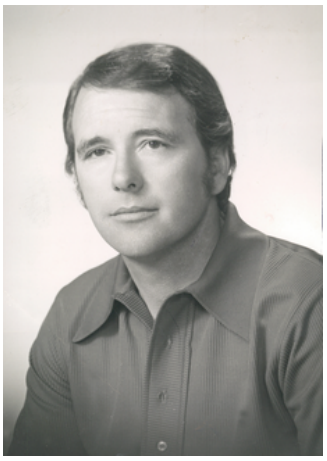


Jerry Fred Kellgreen

October 4, 1937 ~ June 4, 2023

Our beloved and devoted father Jerry Fred Kellgreen passed away June 4, 2023, in Sandy, Utah. He was born October 4, 1937, in Murray, Utah. Jerry grew up in the East Bench of Salt Lake City and maintained close, lifelong friendships with many of his childhood friends from his neighborhood and East High School. Jerry was an extrovert, and he placed a high value on maintaining relationships with the neighborhood families and friends who helped him navigate a difficult childhood. He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints in Montana and also attended Weber State College and the University of Utah. He eventually found his vocational passion in real estate as a broker and owner of investment properties. Throughout his life he remodeled and rebuilt not only his own homes but many investment properties. In 1970, he married Karin Figen Steiner, and together they raised four children. His children knew him to be a dedicated and generous father. He was always present at their activities, and he dedicated his life to providing his kids with more than he had himself. He had a generous heart and loved to help others in need. He had a knack for overcoming and persevering through the impossible. Jerry had an adventurous spirit and often thrived on taking risks such as using his private pilot’s license to fly around the Alaskan wilderness, traveling to Russia in the early 70s, or hiking in off-grid locations. These risks sometimes led to accidents, but his physical stamina and personal determination helped him to recover and be stronger than before. He enjoyed skiing, deep-sea fishing, backpacking in Southern Utah, traveling, driving coast to coast, and attending music festivals. He especially loved to spend time with his children and grandchildren by helping them with home improvement projects and attending their many sporting and musical events. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He is survived by his children Kara (William) Busath, Heather (Robert) McGrath, Anna (Willie) Oviedo, and W. Kaj (Maata) Kellgreen, fifteen grandchildren and three sisters Elaine Smith, Kaye Nesse, and Nancy (Jack) Dunlop. Family and friends may gather at 10:00 AM at Larkin Sunset Lawn, 2350 East 1300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah immediately followed by a graveside service.