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John Lee Nielson was reunited with his loving wife Rhonda at the age of 80, passing from a “broken heart” and a silent battle with cancer. Lee was born in Richfield, UT to John William and Lorna “Staples” Nielson. He was the oldest of three sons. He was a beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, grandpa, and friend. Lee was “Dad” to whomever walked through the front door, he never met a stranger – the kitchen was always open, and drinks were always available. Dad was a bear but had a heart of gold and would give you the shirt of his back several times over if you were in need.

Lee worked as the sign shop supervisor spanning a forty-year career at UDOT. He was active in boys little league, Salt Lake City Motorcycle Club, enjoyed having a garden full of peppers, sitting on the porch, shooting pool, playing darts, and always made sure everyone had a home cooked meal.

Survived by his children John (Amy), Shelley (Frank), Glenn (Stacy), Michael (Krista), Shane (Anne), brothers David (Glenda), Asa (Karla), numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews he loved and adored.

Preceded in death by his wife Rhonda and parents.

Celebration of life will be held at Larkin Mortuary on November 12th from 11am – 1pm, 260 E. South Temple, SLC, UT. 84111. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Huntsman Cancer Foundation.