

# Nicholas Scott Smith

*September 9, 1954 ~ December 12, 2022*

Nicholas Scott Smith was born on Sept. 9, 1954, with a ball in each hand. From the time he could walk he trailed after his older brothers wanting nothing more than to do whatever they were doing.

Nick attended school in Grace Idaho where he excelled in basketball, football, and track. He then attended Ricks College where he was a running back for their championship team. It was at Ricks that a "Bancroft girl" caught his eye. He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Nagoya Japan. Upon returning he looked up that "Bancroft girl", Janice Hatch, and they were married on December 28, 1976. He then attended Idaho State University graduating with a degree in Accounting while working on the family farm during the summers. After passing the CPA exam he worked for a short time in Pocatello, Idaho then moved to Salt Lake City where he pursued his career in accounting enjoying his association with so many long-term clients. Nick and Janice have three children, Scott Nicholas (DeeAnna), Jill Nicole, and Spencer Eric. Two grandchildren, Nichole Alta and Zakery Tyler Smith. Nick loved being involved with his children's sports, coaching and supporting them in whatever they chose to do.

He studied the sport of tennis so he could help his daughter Jill and son Spencer be the best they could be resulting in them both earning scholarships for tennis at division 1 colleges.

The farmer in Nick was never far away. His yard and flower gardens were the envy of many in the neighborhood. He returned to his roots a few years ago by taking up team roping with his son Scott. Nick loved going to the Sports Mall almost every night where he and his "spa" buddies would attempt to solve the problems of the world.

Nick leaves behind many family members, neighbors, business associates, and friends who know the value of what he brought to their lives. Nick passed away on December 12, 2022, after a short battle with cancer. Proceeding him are his father, Everett Wilkin, and mother, Viola Petersen Smith, and a brother David Eric. He is survived by his three children, two grandchildren, brothers Lyn (Dina) Smith, Kevin (April) Smith, and Gil Richard Smith, sisters Eldene (Joseph) Holbrook, Marilyn (Steve) Harris, and Angela, aka as Gus to Nick (Bradley) Nelson. He leaves behind many nephews, nieces, and grandnephews and nieces. Nick treated everyone with unconditional kindness and love.

There will be a viewing at the Cottonwood Heights 7th Ward, 2522 E. 6710 So., Salt Lake City Monday, December 19, 2022, from 6 to 8 p.m. Funeral services will follow on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, with a viewing from 9 to 10 am and the service at 10 am also at the Cottonwood Heights 7th Ward.

Interment will follow at the Grace, Idaho cemetery.

Those wishing to view the COMPLETED services via Zoom can click on the "Watch Services" button or follow the link:

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