

Paul William Burton

October 22, 1956 ~ August 11, 2022

Paul William Burton, age 65, passed away August 11, 2022, in Santa Clara, Utah, after a long and brave battle with Multiple Systems Atrophy (MSA). Paul was born on October 22, 1956, to David Earl Burton and Ora Burton. He was the youngest of their five sons.

Paul married Janene Gourley on November 28, 2014, on Carmel Beach, California. They experienced many years of fun and travel. They had great friends and neighbors in Sandy, Utah and later in Santa Clara, Utah.

Paul is a graduate of West High School and later got his B.S. Degree from Weber State and master's degree from University of Phoenix. Paul had a dry sense of humor, and he stayed in touch with many life-time friends.

Paul loved cars all his life. He owned and fixed up over 25 Volkswagens, owned and fixed jeeps and many other cars. His avenue friends named a type of car maneuver on the hill, a "Paul Burton". Later Paul bought a Corvette and joined the Corvette club in Sandy, Utah. The group traveled many places in the United States.

Paul had many employment opportunities in his life. His first job when he was 16, was working in the maintenance dept. at the LDS Church Office building. His next job was at Iasco Distributing Co. And then he tried an outside sales job for Twirl Town Toys. After graduating from Weber State, he worked for Logan Manufacturing in the Engineering Department and then IMC Wheeler Manufacturing. After achieving his master's degree at University of Phoenix, Paul worked for Raser Technologies. Paul helped design and build an all-electric race car. The highlight of this job is that they shipped the car to Monte Carlo, and he got to drive it on the Grand Prix Racetrack. After Raser, Paul got a job at FMC Technologies, where he loved working with many friends. Paul ended his career working for ABB and this is when he got very physically sick. It took three years of tests, doctors and Mayo Clinic to finally find out that he had this rare terminal MSA disease.

The thing that Paul was most proud and grateful for, was his daughters Lindsey, Emily and Kelsey. He was grateful they had a good mother and that each of them turned out to be loving and successful mothers as well.

Paul is survived by his wife, Janene Gourley Burton. Daughters; Lindsey (Robby), Emily (Matt), Kelsey (Jake) and their mother Diane. His grandchildren Eden, Beck, Emmy, Anders, Asa and Nash. His bonus children through marriage Todd (Jill), Melissa (Benji), Trevor, Kelsey (Jake) and his bonus grandchildren; Lily, Amelia, Porter, Finley, Jordan, Sam, Hannah, Isaiah, Quinley and Nora. Siblings; Jeff (Marlene), Jon (Mickee), Tim (Suzanne), and Andrew (Cheryl).

Paul was preceded in death by his parents Dave and Ora Burton.

For those who cannot attend the main Celebration of Life Gathering for Paul, there will be an additional one held Saturday, September 10, 2022, at Larkin Mortuary (260 East South Temple) from 11:00 to 1:00 P.M.

The main Celebration of Life for Paul will be on Saturday, September 24, 2022, at the old historic chapel (2nd Ave and G street). Doors open at 11:00 A.M. Luncheon at 12:00 noon and program at 1:00 P.M. Interment at the Salt Lake City cemetery (N street) at 3:00 P.M.