



## Peter Samuel Hampton "Sam" Shepherd

March 23, 1958 ~ January 25, 2024

Peter Samuel Hampton "Sam" Shepherd 65, passed away on January 25, 2024 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sam was born March 23, 1958 in Portland, Oregon to Richard and Judy Shepherd.

Moving the family to Salt Lake City when he was two, Sam spent his youth exploring the foothills of Salt Lake's Big Beacon area. Always a curious child Sam had extensive collections of bugs and butterflies. He loved catching lizards, frogs, praying mantises and scorpions and showed no fear of most "creatures". Starting a paper route in elementary school, Sam won a trip to Disneyland for selling so many newspaper subscriptions. He later went on to win a trip to Europe when he entered a Parade Magazine sponsored contest as a teenager and won as top newspaper carrier for selling the most subscriptions in Utah. Sam attended the University of Utah, and worked on archeological digs through the University of Arizona in his college years. Sam always loved the outdoors and nature and that was where he seemed the happiest.

Sam is survived by three sisters Susan (David) Aldous, Claire (Mike) Keyser, and Sara Gehris, and his nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday June 15 2024 10:30 am at the Salt Lake City cemetery.