



## Rock E. Oakeson

*December 17, 1953 ~ September 27, 2022*

Rock E. Oakeson was born on December 17, 1953 and suddenly passed away on September 27, 2022 in Eugene, OR.

Rock was born on December 17, 1953 to Russ Willard and Pearl Wardle Oakeson in Salt Lake City, UT.

He graduated from Hillcrest High School in 1972. He went on to graduate summa cum laude in music composition from Brigham Young University.

Rock served a mission for 2 years in Sapporo Japan and also taught English to the Japanese people.

He loved writing for magazines, composing music, teaching, being a pianist for the Presbyterian Church, Mormon Youth Symphony, Greek Orthodox Church and Salt Lake City Men's choir.

Rock met his partner Kory Park on December 4th, 2004 and has been by his side ever since. They enjoyed traveling and their favorite places were Alaska and Sedona, AZ., walking their dogs, cooking and trying new recipes, attending concerts and shows.

He is survived by his partner Kory, brother Dee (Lisa) Oakeson, sister JoAnn (Steve) McIntyre, and his 7 nieces and nephews, Jodie (Ira), Kellie (Joel), Justin (Laurel), Jamie (Cameron), Casey (Jennifer), Katie (Beau), Megan. Preceded in death by his father and mother, Russ and Pearl Oakeson.

A graveside service in honor of Rock will be held at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road (10600 South), Sandy, UT. A private visitation for the family will be held from 11:00 - 11:30 am prior to the services.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Midvale Jr. High Music Department, Hillcrest High Music Department or a local school music department of your choice.