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Stephen Wilkins Nebeker passed away peacefully on February 17, 2025 leaving behind a legacy of love, adventure, and hard work.

Born in Salt Lake City on November 20, 1958, to June and Stephen B. Nebeker. Stephen grew up on 11th Avenue in Salt Lake City, where many fun and mischievous times were had with his three sisters, Jeanne, Mary, and Annie. Their childhood was filled with laughter, playful antics, and an unbreakable sibling bond.

He attended East High School where he excelled on the swimming team. Later he attended the University of Utah, where he earned a degree in Economics. During his time at the U, he was a proud member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, building lifelong friendships and memories.

Bear Lake held a special place in Stephen’s heart throughout his life. As a young boy, he played along its shores, exploring the land and taking in the breathtaking sunsets that painted the sky over the water. It was also a place of hard work, where he put in long hours with determination and pride. As the years passed, he brought his own family to Bear Lake, creating cherished memories filled with adventure, laughter, and love. Whether riding four-wheelers through the fields, fixing up projects, or simply soaking in the beauty of the lake, Stephen found peace and joy in the place that shaped so much of who he was.

Stephen loved all things mechanical, always eager to tinker, build, and fix anything he could get his hands on. His love for speed and machinery extended to racing, sports cars, military vehicles, and his prized CAT backhoe. Whether traveling to new places or simply enjoying the wonders of nature, he embraced life with enthusiasm and a generous spirit.

Stephen was a devoted husband to his wife and found immense joy in fatherhood. He cherished attending his children’s games, bonding over their interests, and sharing his love of music with them.

Stephen is survived by his loving wife, Holly; his wonderful children, John (Carissa), Morgan; and his grandson, Owen. He was preceded in death by his beloved son, Michael.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Le Jardin in the Chateau, 1910 E. Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, UT 84092 on March 1 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The service will be held in an open-house format and casual attire is encouraged.