

# Wayne Skidmore Condie

*June 3, 1953 ~ December 8, 2022*

Wayne Skidmore Condie, 69, of El Paso, Texas, passed away on December 8, 2022, due to complications from his cancer treatment.

Wayne, the sixth of nine children, was born on June 3, 1953 to Lyman Wilson Condie and Mary Louise Skidmore in Salt Lake City. He liked sports and played high school basketball and tennis, earning a state championship in the latter. Wayne graduated from Highland High School in 1971, served as a missionary in Japan from 1972-74, and graduated from the University of Utah in 1978 with an MBA.

Wayne, who was 6' 5", went on a blind date with Denise Ford on October 31, 1974, dressed as Abraham Lincoln by wearing a black tophat. (Little did they know they would be sharing forty-eight future Halloweens.) Wayne and Denise were married in the Salt Lake City Temple on September 18, 1975, and had four children. As a growing family they lived in Salt Lake City, St. Louis, Houston and El Paso.

Wayne worked in banking and finance, and had a special talent with numbers. Often, as he would shop for groceries, Wayne would keep a running tally of the cost in his head, and be able to predict the final total before the cashier rang it up, down to the penny, much to the amazement of his children. Wayne absolutely prioritized time with his family, and they remember him assembling jigsaw puzzles, watching college football, reading about history, cooking with stewed tomatoes, going on unique road-trips, and blasting Tabernacle Choir CDs on Sunday mornings. A fan of family games, Wayne was most fond of playing Scrabble, Boggle, Qwirkle, and Quiddler.

After retiring at the age of 56, Wayne and Denise traveled the world, visiting 55 countries spanning six continents. Wayne visited all eight provinces in Canada, and 49 of the 50 states in the US – he never made it to North Dakota, but also, admittedly, made no special effort to visit North Dakota.

Wayne had a strong testimony of the Church of Jesus Christ and loved teaching others about the Gospel. He was very passionate about volunteering his time to teach in the local prison. He was an instructor for the Pathway Program, a temple worker in Ciudad Juarez, and a volunteer with the Church's employment resource services. He often ministered to people who were seemingly forgotten or in the background.

In the words of his children, Wayne was chill, strong, supportive, calm, dependable, and helpful. His wife remembers him foremost as being pleasant, and appreciates how he made her laugh every day. He was a good husband, dad, and grandpa.

Wayne Skidmore Condie is survived by his wife: Lanea Denise Ford; his four children and their spouses: Heather and Clayton Allen, Jacob and Ali Condie, Rachel and David Thoerig, Melissa and Jason Dayley; and, his seven grandchildren: Alexander, Kate, Joseph, Benjamin, Annabel, Kit and Ian.