



## Fredrick Stuart Liljegren

May 9, 1950 - August 22, 2013

Fredrick Stuart Liljegren, 63, passed away peacefully August 22, 2013 from the effects of carcinoid cancer diagnosed in 2005.

He was born in Salt Lake City May 9, 1950 to Carl Simon and Helen Anderson Liljegren. He was raised in Taylorsville and graduated from Granger High School in 1968.

While serving in the Air Force Reserves and on active duty in the Air Force, he attended Utah State University. He graduated in 1974 with a Bachelor of Landscaping Architecture and pursued a distinguished career as a landscape architect/recreation planner for the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation for 39 years. He has been recognized for his devoted service to multiple civic organizations and was awarded the Silver Beaver by the Boy Scouts of America.

He married Linda Thurgood on April 12, 1976 in the Salt Lake Temple. He is survived by his wife, son Jonathan (Julie), daughter Jennifer (Jared) Carpenter, brother Ron (Sue), sister Ginger (Kevin) Dennis, niece, nephews, aunts and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, and uncles.

A viewing will be held Wednesday, August 28 6-9 PM in the Lakeview 6th Ward LDS Chapel located at 2168 South 140 West, Orem. An additional viewing will be held Thursday, August 29 9:30-10:30 AM followed by memorial services at 11 AM at the same chapel. Burial will be at the Orem City Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in his honor to [caringforcarcinoid.org](http://caringforcarcinoid.org). Please share memories and condolences at [www.serenicarefuneralhome.com](http://www.serenicarefuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery

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## Orem City Cemetery

1520 N 800 E

Orem, UT,

# Events

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**AUG** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 09:00PM

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Lake View LDS 6th Ward

2168 S 140 W, Orem, UT, US

**AUG** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Lake View LDS 6th Ward

2168 S 140 W, Orem, UT, US

# Comments

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“ Linda,  
I want to pay tribute to Fred. He did do my sons Pinewood Derby cars and he was a great man to know. The best part was you. He could not have done a better job in his selection of a wife. You're an amazing woman. It takes someone like you to let a man like Fred shine in all the good works that he did and they were a lot. If there is anything I can do for you at this time please call me even if it is lunch. Love you.  
Dorothy Durrant 801-884-7032

**Dorothy Durrant** - August 30, 2013 at 02:42 PM

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“ It was always a treat to see Fred at a Green Industry event. That great smile, everyone was happy to see him. I had no idea he was even sick. I got to know Fred when he taught the landscape design class off campus for USU. Just a great guy and reading some of these tributes is just touching, a reflection of his life & your family. My sympathy is with you and your family.  
Donna Minch Utah State University

**Donna Minch** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 PM

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“ We were deeply saddened to hear about our dear cousin passing away this past week. reddie was always so full of life and you never saw him without a smile to cheer everyone around him. He will be missed.

I always looked forward to the family outings and was always amazed at how Freddie gave so much of himself and seemed to be the biggest kid at the party. I know my own children and grandchildren loved the games that Freddie would lead.

Freddie was always there for everyone. I do appreciate him going by each month to visit my Mom since my Father past away. I know it meant a lot to her and looked forward to him stopping by. When my Dad was still alive, Freddie used to stop by and visit and it his infectious smile and humor that always made my Dad's day go better. This is just the way Freddie is and he will always be remembered for his caring ways.

Linda, I feel so bad about not being there for you this week. I'm stuck here at LAX again with construction projects I'm knee deep in. But my heart and prayers are with you and your family. There is a song I have heard on the radio a few times by Janice Kapp Perry with words written by President Hinckley. When you listen to the words, they give hope and peace...

What is this thing that men call death  
This quiet passing in the night?  
'Tis not the end but genesis  
Of better worlds and greater light.

O God, touch Thou my aching heart  
And calm my troubled, haunting fears.  
Let hope and faith, transcendent, pure,  
Give strength and peace beyond my tears.

There is no death, but only change,  
With recompense for vict'ry won.  
The gift of Him who loved all men,  
The Son of God, the Holy One.

Please know this that Freddie is in a happier place and no longer endures the pain he has had to go through for this last year. And I'm sure he is continuing to cheer those around him... his Mom, Aunt Jean, Uncle Bruce, Grandma and Grandpa Anderson, and my Dad.

We love you Freddie.

Kevin and Anne Anderson and family



“ Dear Brother Liljegren,

We hope that wherever you are, you may be able to read this note.

I am so grateful for your very unselfish and dedicated service to the scouting program. Your tremendous influence on my two boys is something they will treasure for the rest of their lives. You were always a kind, loving, patient and understanding scout leader to my 2 sons and the best role model they could have in scouting.

I remember every year around Pine Wood Derby time, I would suggest to my boys buying them a fancy precut car and let them work on the painting and other details but they didn't want a cool looking car. They wanted Brother Liljegren to show them, help them design and cut their car. They enjoyed learning from you how to lubricate the wheels of the car to make it run faster.

I don't think we will ever be able to say the word scouting and not think about you at the same time. That is the beautiful influence you have had on my family.

We are sad to see you leave this world but we are sure the Lord has new assignments ready for you on the other side of the veil. You are a man of many talents but most importantly a man of many Christ like attributes.

We hope and pray that knowledge and faith in the plan of salvation and in the atoning sacrifice of our Savior and Redeemer Jesus Christ, will comfort your family and loved ones during this difficult time.

We will meet again dear brother!

Until that time, please accept our love and appreciation for all you have done for our family.

The Morales-LLan Family.

Arturo Morales LLan - August 28, 2013 at 08:14 PM

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“ Fred exemplified so many Christ-like attributes. I was fortunate to serve with him in the scouting program and we went on many campouts together. He was always patient and kind when working with the boys in our troop and they loved him as their scoutmaster. He knew how to teach and took every opportunity to help the scouts focus on the heart of scouting – Duty to God.

Fred led by example. On one occasion at Camp New Fork, the boys and the leaders had to pass the scout swim check in order to participate in various waterfront activities. Our turn was early in the morning and at this high elevation lake, the water was still icy cold. There were several boys (and adults) that were hesitant because of the cold water. Fred showed the way and jumped in and swam the distance and then encouraged the boys to do likewise. He wanted everyone to pass the test so we could all go on the overnight canoe trip together as a troop – which we did!

Linda and family, I offer my sincere condolences and pray the Lord will provide his warmest comforting blessings during this difficult time. Fred has passed another test and wants each of us to pass ours, so we can join him on another canoe trip.

Brian Andelin

**Brian Andelin** - August 28, 2013 at 05:29 PM

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“ Fred Liljegren has always been one of my favorite people. He was so helpful to me when John was young and as a Cub Scout and Scout. He was especially helpful and interested in John. He made special things for John. And he helped me make a small table for John as a Christmas present. Actually, I think he did all the work. But he was a blessing in our lives.

I did not know of his illness. I spoke with him not too long ago in his yard and he was the same Fred I have always known and loved. I am so thankful for his help and his love. He made me feel special.

Leila Ogden

**Leila Ogden** - August 27, 2013 at 09:20 PM

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“ It is sad to hear about Fred Liljegren but I am happy that he went away peacefully. This morning I was thinking about Fred Liljegren while we were cleaning, I saw an outlet for a light bulb and I remembered when he taught us to unscrew a broken light bulb. I also was thinking about him a few weeks ago when Elder Leffalle asked me about Boy Scouts and I was about to tell him ‘‘A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent’’ because Bro Liljegren repeated it so many times and rewarded us with beef jerky. I had a lot of fun memories going to his house and learning things, and fun with the slide puzzles. Thanks to Fred Liljegren I am a better person than I would have been.

From Elder Kenric Gordon, Chile Santiago North Mission

Nadine Gordon - August 27, 2013 at 04:25 PM

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“ Linda,

I was saddened to read that Fred has passed away. Shortly after my wife and I were married, we were living in my Mother-in-law's basement apartment. Fred was our home teacher, and to say the least, the best home teacher we have ever had. Every month he would "officially" come over and give us a wooden treasure, which was a word or words carved into the wood object to represent his lesson subject. Today, we still have the collection of wood artifacts. When I look at them, I can easily remember each lesson and the genuine love that Fred showed us.

Later on when we built our first home in Orem, Fred lent his landscaping skills to us by helping us designed an amazing landscape plan for our new home. Then, he spent several evenings working with us to put in an industrial strength sprinkler system. I learned enough about sprinkler systems from Fred, that I was able to put in a sprinkler system, with my brother-in-law, at my Mother-in-law's new home.

Fred is an amazing individual, always giving, always sharing his vast array of knowledge. In fact, I suspect his is giving and sharing in Heaven right now.

It had been a distinct honor knowing Fred, he was truly an amazing individual. If everyone could be like Fred, the world would be a much better place.

I hope that you will be comforted in your loss knowing that Fred was one of the greatest men I have every had the privilege to be associated with.

With love,

Kevin and Raelene Burnett

Kevin Burnett - August 27, 2013 at 09:45 AM

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“ TO THE FAMILY OF FRED LILJEGREN:

I want to express my sincere condolences to you, Fred's family. Fred and I graduated in the same LAEP class at USU. Although he and I have not kept in touch since that time, he was an important friend to me during the long, day and night hours we spent with our other classmates in the drafting studio.

During my three years in the LAEP Department, there was only one other woman besides myself. No women had been in the department for approximately 20 years, and the social environment was "rough," to say the least. To be a trailblazer in a man's world at that time was socially difficult. I endured taunts and some hazing.

But a few of my male classmates, including Fred, befriended me. His interactions with me were supportive, helpful, and encouraging. He always treated me as his equal, even when he helped me understand how to do some difficult (for me) calculations during our construction classes (my math background wasn't as good as his). In exchange, I helped him with his drafting (his artistic skills weren't as good as mine).

I have also gone on to a satisfying and enjoyable career. But his personal friendship during our university training has long been remembered by me with deep gratitude. Fred was a decent, kind man---a gentleman to the core, and his life blessed many people----including me.

May you be comforted in this great loss.

Renee Tietjen, AIA, RLA, LEED-AP  
Senior Architect  
US Department of Veterans Affairs  
Washington, DC

Renee - August 27, 2013 at 07:56 AM

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“ Linda,

I am so sorry about Fred. Even though I didn't know him personally, I still feel sad for you and your family. Thank you for being such a good friend and support to my family and I. Know that we are thinking about you and praying for you to receive comfort. I know that you two can be together again thanks to your temple marriage. I know that you can be with Fred forever thanks to the temple and Christ. Even though it is a long wait, it will happen. I have been truly blessed to have you as a friend.

Tom von Gostomski

Tom - August 26, 2013 at 08:25 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort in God's Word where He promises soon that "death will be no more." (Revelation 21:4)

**Madison** - August 26, 2013 at 01:48 PM

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“ Dear Linda, There is not a kinder man you could find anywhere. I remember my first meeting with Fred was on a committee for an Orem project, and then later in working with my Architect. He was so kind and soft spoken, and always helpful. Later as we moved into your neighborhood, I was able to enjoy the friendship of both Fred and you. He would always listen patiently to my crazy stories, and always had positive feedback for me. Linda, I love you both dearly and pray that you will get through this hard struggle. How blessed we are to know that you will be with him again someday. I love you, Robyn Maag

**Robyn Maag** - August 26, 2013 at 10:54 AM

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“ Dear Linda:

I did not have the privilege of knowing your husband, but I am so very grateful for your friendship as you taught Richard in school and through our associations at Sharon. I was deeply saddened to read of his passing and send my love. I pray that the Lord will bless you with His peace as you mourn the death of your beloved eternal companion and with joy as you contemplate a beautiful eternity together. My love and prayers are with you.

Love,

Barbara Higinbotham

**Barbara Higinbotham** - August 25, 2013 at 09:37 AM

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“ Dear Linda...I was shocked to read this this morning...I am so sorry for your loss. Kris and I will be there to share in your loss on Thursday. Again I am so sorry. Love you and take care.

Coral Tuttle Egelund

**Coral Egelund** - August 25, 2013 at 08:02 AM



“ Dear Linda....I am so sorry to hear about Fred. It has been a long time since we have been together. I think you, me & Arlene are the only cousins left on the Thurgood side. My love and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. Keep in touch.

Love,

Donna Jean Schmidt McNair

**Donna Jean Schmidt McNair** - August 27, 2013 at 02:23 PM