



David Ashley Manwaring

September 28, 1956 - December 6, 2023

David Ashley Manwaring, age 67, passed peacefully from this life to the next on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. He was surrounded by his wife, children and grandchildren. David was born September 28, 1956 in Vernal, Utah to Verdon A Manwaring and Rea Pope Manwaring. He was raised on a farm in Naples and always talked about having to do his chores...getting up at 5:00 am to milk the cows and take care of the other livestock. He worked in the summers helping his dad lay brick and helping his uncle Willis shear sheep. He hated being in the sun and would burn easily because of his fair skin, so these tasks were something he disliked. He was raised with a great work ethic and retained that his entire life. He attended Uintah High School and after his graduation he went to Hawaii to pick pineapples. He was color blind and so he got to drive the backhoe, which he loved. He enjoyed being by the ocean but was scared to swim in it because the movie "Jaws" had just come out. He loved hunting and fishing and shooting guns.

When he was 19, David chose to serve an LDS mission. He was called to the Little Rock, Arkansas mission and served in Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee. He loved the area and the people he taught. Upon returning home he dated various girls. Because he was shy, it was very exciting to him to be able to date and look for his eternal mate. He dated so much that his grandfather, Ashel Manwaring, told him that "he was going to get to the end of the flower patch and not end up with a flower!" One of those girls was Kristie LaRae Jackson and in the early summer of 1979 David proposed to her at Chuck's Drive-In. They were married August 9, 1979 in the Manti Temple.

David worked at Standard Saddle Tree making saddle horns. He loved working with his hands and the wood. In May of 1980, David and Kristie found out they were pregnant with their first child. They had no insurance and no money but they did have an old truck. David came home from work one day and told Kristie that he had traded the truck for a rifle. Kristie was very sick with morning sickness and couldn't even leave the house, so needless to say, she was not happy with the trade. David bought 10-speed bikes and that was how they got around for a while. Later that summer David joined the U.S. Air Force, went to Basic Training in San Antonio, Texas and then technical school in Wichita Falls, Texas. He was then stationed at McChord Air Force base in Tacoma, Washington. While they were there, Kristie gave birth to Nicole

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on January 13, 1981 and 17 months later gave birth to Lisa Dawn Manwaring on August 18, 1982.

It was an exciting but scary time because they were all on their own. David adored Nicole and Lisa and was so proud of them.

In 1984 David chose to leave the Air Force and they returned to Vernal. David worked various

jobs and was working in the oil field when the industry dropped. They moved to Bountiful, Utah

and began a life there with David driving a propane bobtail truck for AmeriGas. He worked for

them for 33 years. He was an extremely dedicated and hard worker and won various awards for

his driving record, speed of deliveries, and training expertise.

On November 28, 1987, their last daughter, Michelle Ann Manwaring was born. She was a

surprise addition to the family but one that brought much joy. Lisa and Nicole loved taking care

of her and she didn't learn to walk until she was 15 months old because she was never put down.

Again, David was very proud of her and toted her everywhere.

In 1994 David and Kristie moved to Kaysville, Utah. They lived there for nine years and then built

a home in Layton, Utah. In 2016 they moved to South Jordan, Utah and in 2021 they moved to

Herriman, Utah. During these years, David was able to travel with his brothers-in-law on two trips

to Alaska to go fishing. These trips were some of the highlights of his life. He

loved every minute of them and loved catching the fish and seeing the beauty of Alaska. He spoke often about these trips and how much fun they were.

Over time, David developed uncontrolled diabetes. The last three years of his life he was very sick but continued to work. In August of 2022 he had a heart attack and that was the end of his career driving a propane truck. He retired and over the period of the last year he lost the ability to walk, the ability to see, and developed Stage 4 kidney failure. David endured a lot of pain and suffering but didn't complain about it....except when he had to take his daily showers! Oh, how he hated them. It was very painful for him to stand and get up and down from his walker. He listened to a lot of television and his favorite show was "The Incredible Doctor Pol". He watched every episode numerous times. He was also a fountain of knowledge and trivia and would quiz his grandkids on many subjects but mostly animal trivia. He loved his grandchildren so much and would do anything for them. He could be grouchy and fussy at times but he did love them each very much.

David's mother passed away on March 2, 1975. She left a large void in David's life. He missed her so much and would tell stories about his youth and what a great cook she was. We are happy he is reunited with her at last.

He is survived by his wife, Kristie; children Nicole Ashley Manwaring, Lisa

Dawn Manwaring,
and Michelle Ann Manwaring; grandchildren Ashlynn Ann Shryock, Gaven
Lee Shryock, Austin
J Shryock, Miles Anthony Lott, and Sophia Mikael Knowlton; siblings Kevin
(Cleo) Manwaring,
Janice (Richard) Brady, Arlene (Darwin) Evans, Eric (JoAnn) Manwaring, and
Sherry (Ty)

Corbridge. Preceded in death by his parents, his brother Brent Douglas
Manwaring and his Indian
brother Ronald Navanik.

We would like to thank Elevation Hospice for their kind care of David,
especially Becca. They
put up with a lot from Kristie yet were always helpful.

A private memorial service will be held.

Funeral Directors: Serenity Funeral Home (Caleb)

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