



## David Thomas Reed McClellan

December 24, 1957 - November 12, 2016

David Thomas Reed McClellan passed away on November 12, 2016 at his home in White City, Utah. He was 58 years old. Dave was born December 24, 1957 in San Francisco, California to Dorothy McClellan Angle. He married Shelly Steen McClellan on December 17, 1994 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

“Big Dave” worked at Utility Trailer Sales of Utah. He was known for his excellent customer service. Dave had an extreme passion for the Oakland Raiders football team and everyone knew about his love for Halloween and all things scary. Dave loved music from Metallica to the classics. He had a way with words and poetry. Even his grocery list would put most writers to shame. Dave could make the best cup of coffee you’ve ever tasted. He was a favorite uncle to his nieces and nephews.

Dave was a kind and gentle person. He made everyone around him feel comfortable and included. He was well known for his big “BEAR HUGS” and everyone recognized his amazing voice on the phone or whenever he entered a room. In everything he did, he gave his “all”; whether it was finding parts for his customers or telling a joke. Dave loved with his whole heart and everyone loved him in return. We will miss his inspiring presence in our lives.

Dave is survived by his loving wife Shelly, his aunt Joan McClellan (Arizona), his daughter Rebecca, his in-laws Norman and Shauna Steen, his brothers

and sisters in-law, and his many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Angle.

Special thanks to Sandy City Fire Department and the Unified Police Department for their valiant efforts to save Dave's life. Thank you to all the kind people at Utility Trailer Sales of Utah. Also a special thank you to Lehi Rodriquez and the staff at Serenity Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers hug a friend!

A Celebration of Life and visitation will take place on Saturday, November 19th, from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M. at The Woods on Ninth, located at 6775 900 E, Midvale, UT. Dress casual.

Private Family Visitation will be prior from 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

**"GO RAIDERS"!**

# Previous Events

## Private Family Viewing

NOV 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

The Woods on Ninth  
6775 S 900 E,  
Midvale, UT

## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *David Thomas Reed McClellan*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Although he was technically my cousin, I have always referred to him as my uncle David. Probably because, ever since I was little, he perfectly fit that role in my life of the happy, joyous, fun-lovin' uncle. "Hey, let's go get into trouble" He was always positive and always smiling, and this world is a much smaller place without him.*

*If I did my math right, the pics should be from '91 or '92*



Jason Pace - November 18, 2016 at 08:21 PM

HC

“ *I have known Dave for years through our respective work places. We might have changed jobs but stayed in the same field of work so we were always in touch one way or the other. We always called each other "My brother from another mother" and I truly feel like I've lost a brother. Rest in peace my brother.*

Harry E. Cruikshank - November 18, 2016 at 11:57 AM

CG

“ The man the myth the legend. Big Dave some of the best times in my career was when you and I would speed up and down 3rd west. You in your Vickers truck and me in my Page truck. I will always appreciate you for what you have done for me and and all the help you have given me over the years. Luv ya Big D.

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**Chris Graham** - November 17, 2016 at 10:39 PM

AA

“ Big D. He was the man the myth the legend. I met Big D when I would pick up parts from Vickers. I will miss our BS sessions and jokes. Go Colt!!!

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**Amanda Ames** - November 17, 2016 at 08:42 PM

SF

“ It was an honor to call this man a friend, he was an amazing person and made everyone around him happy. The world has lost a good man. My best to Shelly and his entire family. LOVE YA BROTHER!!!!

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**Scott Fluehe** - November 17, 2016 at 11:25 AM

EV

“ Big D, it's been 23 years since we first met...and you've always been the coolest dude. I cannot remember a day without you being so cheerful, if it was on the phone or in person you was always the same wonderful person. I'm already missing the daily fist bumps from you, and the little snickers bar here and there. YOU will be missed my friend, by me and many others....Love You Man!!!!

*Ed/Wayne Vallejos*

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**Ed/Wayne Vallejos** - November 17, 2016 at 10:39 AM

DH

*the respect i have for dave is beyond reach i can count my friends on 2 hands and he was on top for sure he was a gas at work at the bash i got a happy birthday from the day he left it means the world now we did a iron butterfly thing on Fridays i only seen him concerned about one thing and that was his wife the way he talked about her .i think she is what made him so happy.. i did a shoulder bump with him .my arm still makes noise was like hitting a mac truck i love ya brother from another mother say hello to my Friends on the other side thanks for being my freind*

**danny hartley** - November 18, 2016 at 11:06 PM

JO

*“ My life has indeed been blessed as my Favorite Nephew also doubled as my very Best Friend. No words exist that can portray this tremendous loss for me and I am extremely happy to read how loved he was by all . Thank you Shelly for all your efforts during this difficult time and Than you Everyone for caring to express your thoughts to my Special Friend. I Love You David.  
Auntie Joan*



**Joan** - November 16, 2016 at 03:01 PM

ES

*“ Big D, your contagious smile and your loving demeanor will be missed. We have been blessed to have had a friend such as you!!  
Thanks for all the memories. Elton Sutherland*

**Elton Sutherland** - November 16, 2016 at 02:46 PM

SF

“ I've known Dave for over 27 years and had the honor of working with him a few different times. I can honestly say in all those years I have never witnessed Dave in anything but a cheery good mood, his ability to make others laugh and be happy himself definitely set him apart from everybody else, even the days when you could tell he was in pain he would never let you know, as he would just keep smiling and making everybody else smile. For those that had the honor of knowing Dave knows exactly what I am talking about. definitely a rare individual with a heart of gold. you will be missed my friend

Shane

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**Shane Fjeldsted** - November 16, 2016 at 12:47 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Good Times at Utility*



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**Spencer Deputy** - November 16, 2016 at 12:45 PM

SM

*Thanks!! Awesome pictures!*

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**shelly mcclellan** - November 17, 2016 at 02:42 AM

DT

*See you in heaven sweet man!*

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**DJ Tucker** - November 17, 2016 at 05:54 PM

SM

“ Love you to infinity and beyond!❤️❤️❤️

shelly mcclellan - November 16, 2016 at 11:24 AM

SM

“ 3 files added to the album New Album Name



shelly mcclellan - November 16, 2016 at 11:21 AM

Kade Steidley

“ My deepest sympathies to your family, his impact on myself and many I know has and always will be tremendous, just like the man that he was! I am thankful our last conversation on Friday ended as always with i love you brother from us both. The person Dave was , the example of whom we should all strive to be. I have never known a kinder, big hearted person in my life and I am grateful to call him my colleague and friend. I'll miss you forever my friend. Always your friend, Kade Steidley

Kade Steidley - November 16, 2016 at 10:46 AM

KG

“ Man with a giant heart, Dave we will miss you and all the great memories, we wish your family the best and may God bless your family and friends. Love Kelley Groves and my team at Fleetpride.....

Kelley Groves - November 16, 2016 at 08:34 AM

GB

“ *Just the best!*

*I have been doing business with Dave for years and he was my favorite parts guy bar none, always up, always positive and going the extra mile with a personality bigger than life. If every parts person had his traits this industry would be a better place. I'm just so grateful I was able to talk to him on Friday and as always we talked about our Raiders! Every day I buy a part and every Raider game I will be thinking about you. I will truly miss you brother! Until we meet again!*

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**Gregg Byrum** - November 16, 2016 at 08:04 AM

 Paul Smits

“ *I'll never forget the first time I met Dave in person after a couple phone conversations I tell him he has an amazing voice he should be doing radio and he says he has the face for radio also we had a good laugh about that such a kind hearted funny soul God speed my friend*

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**Paul Smits** - November 15, 2016 at 10:42 PM

 Joe Griffin

“ *When I first met Dave we worked together at Vickers and he taught me everything with a patient and loving smile that only Dave had. This is devastating to know that one of the kindest most lovable guys ever to grace this planet is gone. Love you Dave you will be missed but never forgotten*

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**Joe Griffin** - November 15, 2016 at 10:12 PM

MF

“ When I first met Dave for the first time he was a driver for Vickers, I thought who is this? The crusher! But it only took a few minutes to know what a kind hearted man he was, all he wanted was to be happy and make people happy! I want to say your a true brother nobody will ever fill them shoes! You made all of our lives enjoyable, especially knowing when I got to work with him everyday. RIP MY BROTHER YOU WILL BE MISSED!

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**Mike Flores** - November 15, 2016 at 08:38 PM



“ I don't know why I keep thinking about this, but I remember Grandma Steen (Mor) pulling out all of her knitted hats at one family party and sticking a way too small one on Dave's head. He was so sweet to her and insisted that he wanted it and that it fit. I love how much you could tell he loved Shelly. My prayers and thoughts are continuously with you this week. Love Kristie Shore Andersen

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**Kristie Shore Andersen** - November 15, 2016 at 08:29 PM



“ When i first started in the transportation industry Big Dave was one of three to help teach and guide me when no one else would. He was always nice and had a heart of gold.

*I will always miss his words of encouragement. He would always offer advice when i needed it most.*

*He will forever have a place in my heart.*

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**Steve Eyre** - November 15, 2016 at 07:32 PM

AP

“ *Big Dave was a Giant of a man, and by that i mean he had a Giant Heart!! He was always so kind to everyone and he was the Best Hugger Ever!! I'm sad knowing he won't be walking these streets anymore. The streets of Heaven are so lucky!! Can't wait to see him again!!*

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**Angie Preacher** - November 15, 2016 at 04:25 PM

CB

“ I can't put them all down here because I'd take up pages! David was the brother I never had. We couldn't be in the same room for more than 5 minutes without laughing like loons! I have so many hysterical memories.



When my tears finally dried up after I heard of his passing, I began going over all our history together and have been laughing ever since. It was back in the 80s. One night I had to work all night and David went with me to help me stay awake and be a pal. Somehow that night, the "Tomato Face" was born! From then on we called each other "my little tomato face" and spoke in Peter Lorre voices and that in and of itself was enough to crack us up! He and his mother lived down the hall from me in Salt Lake City. One day a co-worker brought in these little shrimpy tomatoes from her garden. I took all the little ones and drew faces on them and then took them down to Mom and David's apartment. Mom put them on the table. And I could hear David all the way down the hall when he got home...just burst out in laughter when he saw the tomato faces! He wouldn't let her move them...they finally shriveled up and he had to toss them out! And another time he got a coupon for a photo portrait and wanted me to be in it with him for his mom for Mother's Day. We put on our best dress up clothes. And then David donned a rainbow afro wig and I had this plastic bloodshot eye I stuck on and we had our formal photo taken! The photographer was laughing along with us! What a Mother's Day present...her 2 outrageous kids! Oh my Tomato Face, i will miss you more than I can say!

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Cynthia G. Brundage - November 15, 2016 at 01:27 PM

EP

“ *the kindest person i have ever met , the world will truly be a less happy place without Dave*



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**ERIC PRESSLEY** - November 15, 2016 at 01:07 PM

WP

“ *I am privileged to call Big Dave my friend. I hope he will be one of the first to greet me on the other side if I make it. Love you Big Dave.*

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**William Pettit** - November 15, 2016 at 11:51 AM