



## DeeWayne Frank Adams

March 4, 1950 - January 12, 2023

DeeWayne Frank Adams age 72 completed his journey and graduated from this Earth on January 12th, 2023 in Bluffdale Utah. DeeWayne was born on March 4th, 1950 in Delta Utah. He was the second oldest of five children born to William Frank Adams and Alice Memmott.

DeeWayne loved working with his hands and was always looking to create, build or improve things. From tearing apart his sister's roller skates so he could make his own skateboard, to finding huge boulders to make custom designed waterfalls. From hand digging a basement at his parents home, to fixing up old cars. DeeWayne took pride in all projects he did and had the mindset of "why hire somebody to do it, if you can do it yourself". Anytime he was presented with something that others saw as broken, he would set out to find a way to fix it and make it better than it was before.

He grew up in Kearns Utah where he graduated from Kearns High School. He then served an LDS mission in Kentucky and Tennessee. He went on to attend Utah State University to study industrial education where he minored in drafting and became a woodshop teacher. He started his own woodworking business in Hyrum Utah called A&B Woodworks where he specialized in kitchen cabinets, high end conference room furniture and custom built gun display cabinets.

DeeWayne always liked to tell a quick joke to bring a smile to everyone's face and his favorite thing to say when asked how he was doing was "If I was any better, I'd be twins".

He met the love of his life (Jolyn) at the age of 16 and she was 14. They dated for several years before breaking up so that he could serve an LDS mission. When he returned from his mission, they had gone their separate ways and both ended up marrying other people. DeeWayne married Christine O'Driscoll and together they had 4 amazing children. Qwinette, Justin, Brandon and Bryan.

DeeWayne and Christine later went their separate ways and DeeWayne ran into his first love who at this time had 4 equally amazing children of her own. Chris, Ryan, Robyn and Jarin. They were shortly married after that and the day they got married, they had 8 children under the age of 9 years old. They went on to have 2 children of their own, Kody and LynDee. Thus completing their modern day "yours, mine and ours" family.

DeeWayne often joked about having 10 kids that it worked out perfectly because there was no fighting over a dozen eggs. 10 for the kids, one for mom, one for dad. This was all perfect until they came out with a five dozen pack. So the only thing to do was expand the family. Together DeeWayne and Jolyn have 10 children, 31 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

With a family this large, you can imagine that DeeWayne often held multiple jobs at the same time. This ended up being a blessing in disguise because through holding these multiple positions, he was able to meet hundreds of amazing people who blessed his life with lasting friendships. To each of you who knew DeeWayne and developed these friendships, we as a family would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts, these friendships truly meant the world to DeeWayne and our family.

DeeWayne is preceded in death by His parents William and Alice. His sister Darla and his great granddaughter Emery Autumn Ludwig.

He is survived by his loving wife of 43 years Jolyn Adams. His 10 children Richard Chris Andreasen (Scott), Tina Qwinette Olson (Darren), Ryan Scott Andreasen, Justin Dee Adams (Yvette), Robyn Andreasen (Matt), Brandon Wayne Adams (Tricia), Bryan Keith Adams (Sheri), Jarin J. Andreasen, Kody Spencer Adams and LynDee Kay Hargraves (Jerry) and 31 Amazing Grandchildren and 3 Great-grandchildren.

# Cemetery Details

## Herriman City Cemetery

12465 Pioneer St.  
Herriman, UT 84096

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 18. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Bluffdale Chapel  
14400 South Redwood Road  
Bluffdale, UT 84065

## Funeral Service

JAN 18. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (MT)

Bluffdale Chapel  
14400 South Redwood Road  
Bluffdale, UT 84065

# Tribute Wall



“ *DeeWayne Frank Adams*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM

KH

*I was very surprised when I ran across this Obituary. I worked with DeeWayne over 55 years ago at Durfee Dry Cleaners when we were both youngsters. He was also in our ward. I loved his parents and family too. DeeWayne was the life of the party and joking all the time. Everyone loved working with him. Bless his wife and family.*  
*Kay (Baldwin) Hale*

**Kay Hale** - January 17, 2024 at 04:15 PM

AP

“ *I met Dee Wayne in 1971 when he served as a missionary here in Paris Ky, he was a wonderful caring man and loved by all back hetr when he served! RIP my friend!*

**Angela Plummer** - March 19, 2023 at 11:47 PM

RR

“ *I met DeeWayne when he came to work at the Eagle Gate Apartments. Along with remodel talk, I enjoyed many other conversations with him. He stopped by just before I retired to say hi. I had missed that association. Rosanne Reeves*

**Rosanne C Reeves** - January 19, 2023 at 12:00 PM



*Thank you Rosanne*

**LynDee Hargraves** - January 25, 2023 at 08:27 PM

SJ

“ *DeeWayne didn't understand how great he was and is. He has friends everywhere. Relationships were important to him in this life and it was easy for him to make them. If you spent one minute with him you became his friend. He was successful in everything thing he did because he valued relationships. He will be sorely missed by many! I will see you again my dear friend. Scott Jensen*

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**Scott Jensen** - January 18, 2023 at 10:45 AM



*Thank you Scott! Dad did not know a stranger that's for sure.*

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**LynDee Hargraves** - January 25, 2023 at 08:26 PM

JJ

“ *I met DeeWayne many years ago at USANA Health Sciences where I worked. Every once in while his sweet wife Jolyn would come with him. He was always cheerful, friendly, and funny! I will never forget a special day when he drove my team of four around in his white limo. We had so much fun!!! The highlight of this rondivous is when we told him we wanted to shop. We decided on the Taylorsville Dollar Store because we didn't have much money. Dwayne pulled up to the very front of the store, stopped the car, ran to the trunk and pulled out a red carpet. He rolled it out, opened the car door and helped each of us out. and then opened the door of the store for us. He waited in the car and after about 20 minutes we all came out with our item and again we walked on the red carpet and got in the car...I cannot tell you how much we laughed! When we got back to work we were the talk of the Customer Service Department. I would like to add I just retired from USANA at the end of Oct. after 28 This memory was one of my highlights of work!*

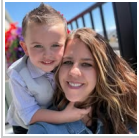
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**Janice Arnold Jakeman** - January 16, 2023 at 10:12 AM

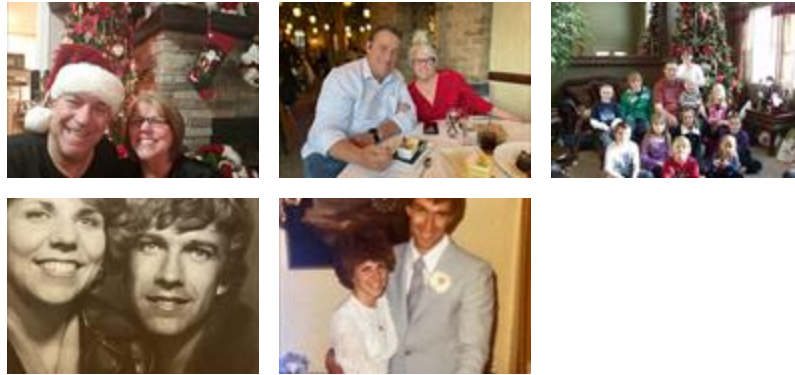
JJ

“ I met Dwayne many years ago when he came in at USANA alot where I worked He was always cheerful and funny. Here is a story

Janice Arnold Jakeman - January 16, 2023 at 09:39 AM



“ We've been sharing pic's this week between family members. Hers are a few gems we have found.



LynDee Hargraves - January 16, 2023 at 12:40 AM

DB

“ I remember DeeWayne from school. He was a good friend to my cousin, Lewis Cranney. DeeWayne was such a great person and I am privileged to have known him.

Deborah Kendall Brown - January 15, 2023 at 01:17 PM

BR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



brandon - January 14, 2023 at 11:41 PM

BR

*Just before dad died I had the opportunity to travel with him for work. I got to know just a little more of what I already knew that he was an amazing leader , tremendous father, great example and fighter for good. DeeWayne was “Dad To Many”. He held together a family of 12 for almost 50 years. He saved his kids lives, he taught us hard work, good morals and manners. He never gave up, never quit worked right up until he died, within months. Dad let us learn for ourselves spirituality , our character and sense of humor. With dad on our side we could do anything we put our mind to. “Can’t is a slugger (disputed) to lazy to try” your loved*

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**brandon** - January 15, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KA

*“ I met DeeWayne because I became fast and best friends with his wonderful daughter Robyn when we attended Jefferson Junior High together. I was in awe of this big family and their gigantic kitchen in which they had a barstool for every single kid. I remember the amount of sandwiches Jolyn and DeeWayne used to make, and when I would go over to hang out with Robyn, they would be sure to include me. I guess I have to thank Jolyn and DeeWayne for moving their family to the Kearns neighborhood because if it wasn’t for me meeting Robyn, I wouldn’t have met the love of my life, Krikor. Your family has always been so gracious and kind to me and Krikor when we were growing up. Ryan and Krikor were inseparable when they would play basketball, go camping, biking, break into the church (maybe I shouldn’t say that). DeeWayne had a huge impact on Krikor’s life. He was always impressed by his woodworking skills. We feel very fortunate to have known him. Please know that your family is in our thoughts during this time and that we won’t forget DeeWayne.*

*Love always, Krikor and Jamee Arslanian*

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**Krikor and Jamee Arslanian** - January 14, 2023 at 08:55 PM

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“ I remember Christmas Eve 1987. Dad was playing a gig at a Christmas Eve Party, Mom had asked me to help set out the Santa Presents and fill stockings. I was on the stairs where we hung our stockings when there was a knock at the door. I answered the door and there was DeeWayne, dressed as Santa, Beard and all with so many bags of presents. He brought them in and started putting them under the tree. When he was done there was hardly any room to walk in the living room.

*My mom was in tears, I was in awe. I learned a great lesson of selfless service from him that night.*

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**Jim Turner (Earl)** - January 14, 2023 at 02:32 PM

MA

“ I have shared my birthday with him for 64 years. I was born on March 3 and he was born on March fourth, the last few years, our favorite tradition was to go get a chocolate cake from Magleby's and take it up to him and share it with him. He loved their cake. I have been very lucky to have him as my brother and mentor. See you on the flipside.

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**Mashell** - January 13, 2023 at 10:50 PM

“ I’m gonna take all of your time and share some highlights of my time with this incredible man. I had the privilege of meeting DeeWayne in 2015 downtown salt lake. James Barker knew me and knew Dee and instantly knew he needed to get us together. Dee and I hit it off from day one. He ran lead on some apartment renovations with me for the next few years. That lead to some precious lunch appointments and magnificent story telling.

I remember going to Pats BBQ downtown and as you walk in there’s a massive Johnny Cash poster. He told me all about his mission in Kentucky and Tennessee and how he taught Johnny Cash. (He would always preface it with he was teaching his wife, but Johnny would stay within listening distance in the kitchen). How Johnny would see them walking and pick them up in his convertible and take them to Arby’s where he told the server “give these preachers all they can eat”. He had some fantastic experiences over those 2 years. He had a companion he caught smoking out the window of their bathroom. And a companion who hoarded his money and refused to pay his half of the monthly rent. Too funny.

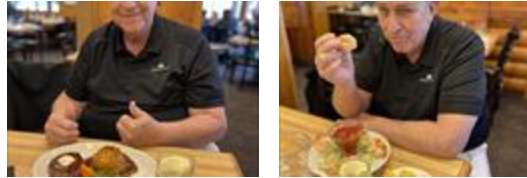
I remember having lunch with Dee at Tucanos (that was his preferred lunch destination) where he told me about the cabinet install he did in California with his sons. They worked so hard during the day and would enjoy the hotel pool at night. He beamed with pride as he told me about how hard his family worked to meet such an unrealistic deadline.

He shared with me all the fun he had being the first to import cabinets from overseas 30+ years ago. How the first container showed up smashed to pieces because they loaded it for trucking and on the ocean the waves smashed the boxes from the up and down forces. I could literally go on for hours sharing what Dee got to experience.

One last memory he shared - their home in Woodland Hills. He was able to take a home that had been abandoned at the framing stage and been thru multiple winters and turn it into a fine home for his family. He mentioned showing up to a yard sale and seeing enough insulation to use on their home! He had a can do attitude and a drive to get things done. He could light up the phone and

*relentlessly stay on a task until completed.*

*DeeWayne Frank Adams was one of a kind and the best kind. I love him and am glad he's no longer in pain. Until we meet again old friend!*



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**Brigham Mayer** - January 13, 2023 at 09:23 PM

SS

“ *I met DeeWayne in 2007 at the Spanish Fork Rodeo. He and Jolyn have become some of the most important friends in my life. His positive attitude and generous heart made him one of kind. His devotion to the Lord was inspiring and impacted me. Today he is in Heaven. His support to me over the past few years has been unmeasurable. Frankly I'm very sad at his passing and my grief will be difficult. I love you DeeWayne.*

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**Steve Schmidt** - January 13, 2023 at 08:10 PM

ES

“ *My wife and I met DeeWayne, Jolyn, and kids when we moved into our first home in Kearns. We didn't have a lawn mower and DeeWayne said don't buy one, just use ours... when it breaks, we can buy another one. This was the first of countless acts of selflessness that DeeWayne did for us! We love him and his family and pray for peace for all of them. ❤️*

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**Eric Santistevan** - January 13, 2023 at 06:52 PM

BR

“ Shorty before he died we gotta take a couple road trips just dad and I for his work. He was such a great man excellent father loving husband and dad to many. I'll remember the things we talked about, the second coming, the gospel he loved so much and his family. We will always love and remember you dad.

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**brandon** - January 13, 2023 at 06:45 PM