



## Jimmy Allen Brown

December 16, 1950 - February 1, 2026

Jimmy Allen Brown was born on December 16, 1950, in Murray, Utah, to Ellen and Merrill Brown. He passed away on February 1, 2026, after a valiant fight with liver cancer.

Jim graduated from Murray High School in 1969 and remained a lifelong Spartan. As the baby of the family—the caboose—his brothers and sisters would lovingly say his youngest status showed. Jim, however, never felt anything but deeply loved and adored. His favorite memories growing up centered on time spent with family and friends, especially family dinners, holidays, and reunions. Because many of his nieces and nephews were closer to him in age than his siblings, Jim often said he felt especially lucky to belong to such a close-knit family.

Among his fondest memories were fishing with his cousin Mike—who Jim always said was more like a brother—and working on, or simply talking through, projects with his brother Roger and nephew Danny.

Jim formed lifelong friendships while growing up in Murray. Through Oris and Lucille Atkinson, he discovered a love of horses that led him to serve with the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Mounted Posse and to participate in rodeo events for several years. He owned two horses—one named Mike, and the other very aptly named "Horse."

Through the influence and friendship of the Atkinson family, Jim chose to become a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at the age of 19. Following his baptism, he was called to serve as an activities leader in a young single adult group. It was there that he met his sweetheart, Valree. She was a single mother with two young sons, and Jim jumped wholeheartedly into fatherhood and his ready-made family. They were married on May 2, 1980, in the Salt Lake Temple.

In the years that followed, their family grew to include a daughter and four more sons. Jim spent his career at Murray High School as an assistant head custodian. While raising their children, he worked two—and sometimes three—jobs to support his family, setting a powerful example of hard work that each of his children strives to emulate.

Jim loved family history work, and date nights often included trips to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, along with occasional excursions on the “fun bus” to Wendover. He also loved serving in the Scouting program, and his sons cherish countless memories of camps, jamborees, merit badges, and courts of honor.

Family time was always a priority for Jim. He made time for camping trips, vacations, and reunions, and loved traveling to new places. Favorite trips included a Mexican cruise, Hawaii, and Yellowstone. He rarely missed sporting events, concerts, or activities involving his nieces, nephews, and grandchildren.

Jim loved to drop in and visit the people he cared about, just to say hello. The final year of his life, following his cancer diagnosis, was especially difficult as he became less able to do the things he loved. Even so, he fought hard and well—with a positive attitude, a strong fighting spirit, and deep gratitude for

those who helped care for him.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Jim's doctors and nurses, especially his CNA Annie, who brought sunshine with every visit, and Dr. Pellatt and the compassionate nurses in his office who cared for him with such dedication and kindness.

We feel a little lost without him, but we know we will see him again.

Jim is survived by his wife, Valree; his children, Travis (Natalie) Smith, TeriLyn (Jeff) Noorda, Greg Brown, Tommy Brown, Andy Brown, and Kyle Brown; his grandchildren, Katie, Annie, Parker, Matthew, Ella, Madison, and Memphis; his Lewis family; and many beloved Brown nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son Spencer; his parents, Ellen and Merrill Brown; his brothers Howard, Deloy, and Roger; and his sisters Mary and Marlene.

A viewing will be held Friday, February 6, 2026, from 6:00–8:00 p.m., and Saturday, February 7, from 10:00–11:00 a.m. Funeral services will follow from 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints meetinghouse located at  
5107 South 5600 West  
Kearns, Utah 84118

Interment will take place at Riverton Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverton City Cemetery

1500 West 13200 South  
Riverton, UT

# Previous Events

## Night Viewing

FEB 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Kearns 4th Ward  
5107 South 5600 West  
Kearns , UT 84118

## Viewing

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Kearns 4th Ward  
5107 South 5600 West  
Kearns , UT 84118

## Funeral Service

FEB 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Kearns 4th Ward  
5107 South 5600 West  
Kearns , UT 84118

## Graveside Service

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FEB 7. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (MT)

Riverton City Cemetery  
1500 West 13200 South  
Riverton, UT

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Mr. Brown was one of the most caring and selfless human being I've had the pleasure and honor of knowing in my life. He reminded me of my father in many ways. May His soul rest in peace and may God Almighty provide strength to the Brown family in this tragic times.*

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**Joe Singh** - February 06 at 05:36 PM

PE

“ *Jim would come in every afternoon when I worked at Murray High School and say " Where is my Lunch"... LOL I would go and pull a lunch together for him, and he was always so grateful. During Christmas he and Valerie would come by our house to wish us a Merry Christmas. If we needed help with something Jim would be right there to help. Jim was such a wonderful man with a wonderful family. I am so honored I had a chance to visit with him and his family last month. I knew that would be the last time I would see this dear man, but I know I will see him again one day. Until then , Jim thank you for all that you have done for me and my kids. You were always an angel now you just have your wings. We will miss you Peggy, John, Joey, Bobby Garcia*

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**peggy** - February 05 at 08:26 PM

JA

“ *Jim will be missed by all who knew him. He was a beloved friend and co-worker at MHS. I remember Jim coming into the office each day just to tell me "hello". I am in England with my daughter & son-in-law, and won't be able to be there to celebrate Jim. He loved Valerie and his family. He would do anything and everything for them. I know Jim was welcomed by his son, Spencer and others who had gone before. We will see each other again, This I know.*

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**Judy Anderson** - February 05 at 06:49 AM

BB

*Dear Valree and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Jim was an amazing friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Craig & Becky Butcher*

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**Becky Butcher** - February 08 at 11:10 AM



*“ I enjoyed when Jim would come in to my office every morning to chat about the family. He always was planning a cool trip. What a fun dad he was. His family was his #1 priority! He was great. Always helpful. I’ve missed him and will always remember him.*

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**Wendy Hildebrand** - February 04 at 08:06 PM

JE

*“ Jim was an institution here at Murray High School - we were all so sad when he retired! He worked hard to keep our school clean and running, but - more importantly - he was a friend to all of us, ready with a smile or witty comment. He is missed!*

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**Jessica** - February 04 at 12:22 PM

QC

*“ Jim wasn't just a neighbor he wasn't just a scout leader he was a friend I've got so many memories with him from scouts to camping to church the list goes on my heart is broken My heart goes out to his family too I've known them for a long time as well*

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**Quinn Chapman** - February 04 at 12:20 PM