



David Charles Wade

February 26, 1952 - October 5, 2019

David Charles Wade "Dave" was born in Salt Lake City Utah February 26, 1952. He passed October 5, 2019 escaping a long battle with Alzheimer's. He leaves behind the love of his life, Julie, 5 children and 5 grandchildren. He instilled in them a love of nature, music, creativity and humor. He was well known in the wildlife art community winning many awards for his talents. His paintings are owned by people across the US. Dave had a passion for painting, teaching, photography, hiking, game playing, reciting poetry and any adventure. He will be missed by many, those who loved his art and his big, vibrant personality.

We will miss his warm, winning smile, his stories, his enthusiastic clapping and his energetic personality. He loved noticing the small, beautiful things of this world. He lived a genuine life always choosing the unpaved trail.

Thank you to all the family and friends who helped us during this journey. A special thanks to Nancy Morrill and the staff at The Beehive Home/Memory Care in Santa Clara Utah. A celebration of life is scheduled for a later date.

Tribute Wall

LH

“ We just learned of David's passing. What a wonderful, kind person, every time we were blessed to see him at an art show. We wanted to let you know that we were thinking of you and also of David.

God bless,

Lisa and George Hallmark

Lisa and George Hallmark - January 04, 2020 at 04:11 PM

PH

“ I have such fun memories of Dave's relentless appetite for playing racquetball and playing cards with me and my sisters, Gayle Westergard and Maureen Majors. We were childhood neighbor friends that was re-kindled as adults and met Julie who was equally matched with Dave and his crazy fun personality. Dave never wanted to stop playing with us, even when we had to get up early the next day. He would convincingly say "just one more game." We send our love to Julie at this time. Peace be with you, along with all your fun memories of Dave. He is probably having a great reunion with my sister Gayle on the other side of the veil. Love, Phyllis Hansen

Phyllis Hansen - October 17, 2019 at 01:09 PM



Thanks for these memories, Phyllis. Always lots of laughter. Are you in contact with Maureen? Please let her know about Dave. Thanks for being such great friends. 💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:28 AM

 Amber
Scott

“ One of my most favorite childhood people! I still have dreams of crossing the street to visit. I remember once, I was about 14 helping cook eggs on a griddle for a church function. I was nervous, having never done it before. He kindly guided me through the process of making great scramble eggs. He then told me I'd make someone a good wife someday. 😊 There seems to be only a handful of people in our lives that we can point to and say they had a life changing impact on us. Dave has been one for me. My deepest sympathies and love for his family and friends.

Amber Scott - October 17, 2019 at 01:09 AM



Amber, what a great story. Thank you 💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:30 AM

 Jeremy
Call

“ Without question, Dave was one of the biggest (if not the biggest) influences on my life. When I introduced my family to Dave, he immediately became their favorite. My children only met Dave a handful of times, but they all talk fondly of him. I have known Dave for roughly than 25 years and I could listen to him tell the same stories over and over. I never got tired of listening. In my life he was a bigger than life character. I will miss you Dave.



Jeremy Call - October 17, 2019 at 12:43 AM



Jeremy we considered you part of our family. Dave loved you and was so proud of you. Thanks for always seeing the humor in every day things.💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:33 AM



“*Oh gosh I am so sorry to hear about Dave's passing Julie. I want to share a quick story... My husband and I met Dave on a Denali bus in Alaska. Dave had been camping out, stalking his photo “prey”, which was a very large and majestic Alaska moose. I know, it was an unusual meeting, but we all shared some violent belly-laughs over the driver's demeanor. This bus driver was like a character from a spooky horror / comedy movie. We all just shared a very funny memory that day.*

Dave was such a talented, friendly and kind spirit... you couldn't help but get that from him upon meeting. Anyway, that day on the bus he offered his name and number to us and expressed his desire for us to be friends. Who does that? Well, this guy. What a wonderful spirit! I regret we never had a chance to meet up with you guys, we had meant to take him up on his offer one day. Blessing and prayers to you and your family Julie.

*Sincerely,
Rod and Dawn Kearl – SLC, Utah*

Dawn Kearl - October 16, 2019 at 05:22 PM



Dawn, I so remember this story. Thank you for sharing💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:34 AM

NH

“ We met Dave 10 years ago..and loved him from the start! He was a very SPECIAL man in so many ways..and his talent was incredible! We LOVED his wonderful paintings, as you could see his passion for wildlife in all that he painted. He was a very FUN friend..hiking with Dick and friends..going to our friends cabin, playing cards, going to Toquerville Falls..and yes, I could go on and on. We LOVED him, and his family..and he will truly be missed but we feel blessed to have him in our lives. The artwork that we have are constant reminders of our special wonderful friend..Love you, Dave Dick and Nancy

Nancy Higgins - October 16, 2019 at 12:13 PM



Thank you Dick and Nancy for always caring and being such great friends. Love you 💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:35 AM

BT

“ Dave changed my life, I met Dave 32 years ago. Come to find out he grow up on the same street as I did. We had a lot in common. That would led to holding painting classes in my basement and a great time. Because of his great influence, positive attitude and teaching ability, that would help me to become a full time artist. He was so talented in so many ways. He love to laugh, tale jokes an play games. He could see the beauty and uniqueness in the world. My father Dean Todd loved Dave and Dave was so good to my dad. I could never thank him enough. He was a great part of my family's life.

Sincerely,
Brent R Todd

brent r todd - October 16, 2019 at 02:01 AM

TC

How do you even express the love we had for Dave? We felt so close to him and his family. The wonderful times we had eating and playing games. The laughs, the joy when one of us would call the other and say, "I'm shuffling, you in?" and we would get together right away and play the night away. Also, the sleepovers and long talks well into the night. I so miss those days! We so love you guys and pray for peace for your family! Please, always know we are just a phone call away anytime day or night! Love you so much!

Tina and Wayne Cook - October 16, 2019 at 10:56 AM



Tina and Wayne, you made those cold Wyoming nights so fun. Love you guys 💜

Julie Wade - October 26, 2019 at 12:37 AM



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Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - October 14, 2019 at 02:14 PM