



## Larry Kay Calkins

October 14, 1948 - March 27, 2017

Larry Kay Calkins, age 69, passed away on March 27, 2017 at his home in St. George, Utah. He passed after a long and valiant battle with cancer. He was born in Salt Lake City October 14, 1948 to Oliver Kay and Betty Lou Preston Calkins.

He had a life full of friends, family, and made a big impact on the lives of all those who crossed his path. He was a wonderful son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He had a fulfilling career in architecture and later became the US technical support trainer for the Seimon Company, a telecommunications firm. He was great golfer and an accomplished photographer. He was a great man of faith and an excellent example of living his beliefs to the fullest.

Larry has two sons: Chad Oliver Calkins and Kelly Kay Calkins and two stepsons: Bret Thomas Barrow and Shane Edward Barrow.

Larry is survived by his wife Gwen Okerlund Calkins, his children, a sister, Leslee Calkins Busenbark, grandchildren: Maya, Parker, Kristina, James, Nathan, and Ella, and 1 great-grandchild, Carter.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, March 31, 2017 in the Glenmoor 3rd Ward, 9455 S. 4800 W. South Jordan, UT. A viewing for family

and friends will precede the funeral beginning at 10:00 am. Interment will follow the services at Redwood Memorial Park.

# Cemetery Details

## **Redwood Memorial Park**

6600 S. Redwood Road  
Salt Lake City, UT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Calkins Kelly lit a candle in memory of Larry Kay Calkins*



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**Calkins Kelly** - October 11, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ *Dad was always nice to me and it really meant a lot. Dad was just cool and spiritual. A righteous dood. I have so many me memories of Dad and he always bailed me out literally and that meant so much. Dad had so many awesome ideas and Christ being number one in his life and personified to family and friends. So many special times with Dad and i feel blessed having inherited the lists of good he taught me. Dad, you are in my heart and i talk of you and think of you frequently. I love you, your son, Kell. ALMighty All Lives Matter*

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**Calkins Kelly** - October 11, 2020 at 07:14 PM



“ *I worked with Larry for many years. He was always positive. His love of God and Family were most admirable. When we played golf He know my game exactly what club to use how to look at a shot, just through observation. If we could all be willing to look out for one another as He did. What a better place the world would be, I am privileged to have known him as a friend, co-worked and a brother in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Gwen my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God bless you and bring you comfort during this time*

*Myron Perschon*

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**Myron Perschon** - March 30, 2017 at 09:58 AM



*Thanks, Myron. I can appreciate what you said. Peace*

**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:07 PM

MC

*“ Larry, I will miss all the good times we had. You have always been an inspiration to me and all those you came in contact with. Although we started out as co workers, we quickly became good friends.*

*Gwen, I am so sorry for your loss. I was looking forward to spending a day with Larry and you in April. I know he will be watching over you and hope he sends me a warm smile from time to time.*

*Larry, I will see you when my calling comes*

*Your Good Friend  
Mark Catrone*

**Mark Catrone** - March 29, 2017 at 09:03 PM

JR

*“ Chuck and I met Larry when our daughter planned to marry his son Shane. We were worried about their young age, but Larry and Gwen raised a terrific family and we have been thankful for their faith in family above all. We have 20+ years knowing Larry and we will miss him a great deal*

**jane riddle** - March 29, 2017 at 06:50 PM



*Thank you for your thoughts and words. Peace*

**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry Kay Calkins.*



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March 29, 2017 at 01:59 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Gwen. Larry was a great, fun, loving guy. We will always remember the times he would stop us on our walk, in his cool mustang, for a short chat.*

*Love, Leonard & Kathy Defa*

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**kat** - March 29, 2017 at 12:59 PM



“ *Of the many things Larry was - kind, sincere and genuine are the first that come to mind. Always happy to see you, he was a welcome, friendly face to many. I remember how much he loved to talk about his greatest source of pride - his family and, inevitably, his Mustang too.*

*Many of us at Siemon have lost a good friend and the world lost an even better person. We were better for knowing Larry during his all to brief time with us - he will be missed.*

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**Dave Valentukonis** - March 29, 2017 at 12:39 PM



“ *Professional, kind, and genuinely caring - a rare combination. A loss for The Siemon Company and all of us lucky enough to work with him over the years.*

*Sincerely,  
Brian Duval*

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**Brian Duval** - March 29, 2017 at 11:41 AM



*Thank you*

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**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:09 PM



Mitch Gilbert

“ *So sorry to hear this news. I would always make sure that when Larry came to Atlanta for Siemon training classes that we would go to dinner to catch up on things. He will be missed.*

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**Mitch Gilbert** - March 29, 2017 at 11:35 AM

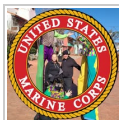


“ *So sorry to hear of your loss! As a co-worker, Larry always had a smile on his face and kind words when he came to Connecticut. He will be missed!*

*Sincere Condolences,  
Nancy Jones*

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**Nancy Jones** - March 29, 2017 at 11:09 AM



*i love you, Dad! I miss you so much. Kell*

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**Calkins Kelly** - October 11, 2020 at 06:38 PM

JB

“ I worked with Larry some years ago at The Siemon Company. I'll always remember him as a genuine and friendly guy - loved his family. He talked about them all the time. So sad to hear about his passing. My prayers go out to his family.

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**Julie Burdette** - March 29, 2017 at 11:08 AM



thank you

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**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:12 PM

BC

“ I am very sorry for your loss! Larry was a kind-hearted friend and coworker at The Siemon Company who will be missed dearly.

Sincerely,  
Bob Carlson

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**Bob Carlson** - March 29, 2017 at 11:05 AM

RJ

“ Larry - I've never known a nicer person or a greater friend. I'm so glad I was able to visit recently and tell you in person.

I'll miss our conversations about March Madness and the poor choices we made on our brackets. I'll miss the birthday phone calls. I'll miss the golf stories and the reminder "if you could putt, you'd be dangerous."

Sending my love to Gwen, Shane and Bret. We're all lucky to have had Larry in our lives.

R J

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**R J** - March 29, 2017 at 08:38 AM



*thank you*

**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:13 PM

LJ

“ *Love, Eric, Sandy and Austinn Jensen purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Larry Kay Calkins.*



**Love, Eric, Sandy and Austinn Jensen** - March 29, 2017 at 12:33 AM

SJ

“ *Our fondest memories are all the times Larry and Gwen came to see our plays at the Off Broadway Theatre. We enjoyed the laughs and wonderful words Larry shared with us each time. He will be missed greatly by many. You fought a tough battle, yet your light shines brightly and we will forever miss your smile and laughter. Kind and dear friend, rest in peace and walk now with Heavenly Father once again.*

*Your Loving friends,  
Eric, Sandy and Austinn*

**Sandy Jensen** - March 28, 2017 at 11:40 PM

 Denise  
Wilcox

“ *A dear, loving, wonderful man! He will be missed. So glad that we were together in St George recently. A lovely memory of the importance of friendship that doesn't fade. Fly high Larry! We love you and arms around Gwen and the family. Steve and Denise*

**Denise Wilcox** - March 28, 2017 at 09:35 PM



*thank you*

**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:13 PM

CH

“ *Going to miss you Dad. Love you.*

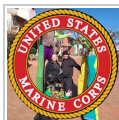
**Chad** - March 28, 2017 at 05:54 PM

RS

“ *When I worked with Larry in different church callings he always had an amazing positive attitude towards things in life. I admired his positive attitude and his hard work in getting things done. Many times to me he expressed that he owed his success and who he had become to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to the support of his wife Gwen. On more than one occasion he said that he wish he could communicate to his children and grandchildren; in a way that they could see the vision of the Gospel of Jesus Christ the way that he sees it.*

*Love to Larry and Gwen from Ralph and Martha Spencer.*

**Ralph Spencer** - March 28, 2017 at 04:07 PM



*thank you for your kind words*

**Calkins Kelly** - November 15, 2020 at 06:14 PM