



## Louis Ellis Johnson

August 18, 1945 - May 30, 2020

Louis Ellis Johnson, 74, passed away at home May 30, 2020 following a courageous battle with multiple myeloma. Louis was born to Glen Peter Johnson and Merintha Lovisa Johnson on August 18, 1945 in Price, Utah.

Louis grew up in Hanksville, Utah on the family ranch. He was the youngest of nine children, and was loved and doted on by his older sisters. He loved the hard-working ranch life. He enjoyed being outdoors riding his horse, playing marbles, and other games under the big cottonwood trees. He lettered in basketball, baseball, and track graduating from Green River High School in 1963. He served in the Southwest British mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He married Margene Kay Stapelman on August 1, 1967 in the Logan, Utah temple. He later graduated from Utah Technical College with a degree in construction.

On Saturdays during football season, you would find Louis listening or watching a BYU football game. He loved fishing any chance he got with his sons, daughters, son-in laws, and grandchildren. His Alaskan fishing trip was a highlight of his life. Louis was an accomplished carpenter, remodeling and building many homes and businesses in the area. He was a hard worker, doing whatever it took to provide for his family, often with his children working alongside him.

Service to others was a large part of his life. His church service included a

counselor in the bishopric, bishop, and many years working with the young men. Working with the youth provided him many opportunities for camping, fishing, hiking, and other outdoor adventures.

He is survived by his wife, Margene, children Larry (Kim), Alan (Vanessa), Elissa (Charles), Cinda (Steve), Merlynn (Steve), Jeff (Burket), Eric (Tori), and Ashley, 27 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. His sisters Mary Olney, Ann Nelson, and June Erickson, and sister-in-laws Gladys Tanner, Darlene Johnson, and Nancy Johnson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Kent, John, and Dale and sisters Nona Bee and Joan.

The family would like to express their appreciation to Dr. Walter Graham, Dr. Douglas Sborov at Huntsman's Cancer Institute, and Intermountain Hospice for their service.

Graveside services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at the Paul Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be held Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at Heward-Hansen Mortuary from 6-8:00 p.m

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUN 3. 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM (MT)

Paul Cemetery  
550 W 100 N  
Paul, ID 83347

# Tribute Wall

MD

“ *Carole and I moved to Emerson in 1972, Louis was one of the first people I met, Thru basketball and softball we became fast friends. One of my BEST!. I love him as a friend and as a brother, I will surely miss him!*

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**Monte D Dayley** - June 01, 2020 at 03:21 PM

AD

“ *What a wonderful friend Louie was to us. We loved him because of his sweet spirit and infectious smile. I loved to watch him work--he was a true craftsman. When he built our front porch, he made sure it was just what I wanted. We chuckled at his black lunchbox and tomato sandwiches! His quiet wisdom always gave me peace. He lived a stalwart Christlike life, and will live in our memories forever.*  
*Lorn and Ardith Duff*

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**Ardith Duff** - June 01, 2020 at 10:21 AM

MD

“ *I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Bishop Johnson. He was one of the kindest, most Christlike people I have ever known. He was our bishop during a very difficult time and went out of his way to share his love and guidance. He has always greeted me with a smile, and I will miss that.*  
*Mary Davis*

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**Mary Davis** - June 01, 2020 at 12:38 AM

DB

“ *These are some things I know about Louis Johnson: he was kind, compassionate and service oriented. He raised a wonderful family, worked hard, and has been a blessing in my family as bishop, leader, and friend. I have great admiration and respect for Brother Johnson, and the family he raised-what a legacy he left in the lives of his children, family and the many of us who he touched in unseen as well as observed ways. My heart is full of gratitude for him and sorrow for the family who will miss him dearly.*

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**Dyann Blood** - May 31, 2020 at 04:58 PM