



# Donald George Yakiwchuk

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## **D**onald George Yakiwchuk 1956 - 2016

Donald George Yakiwchuk, Aged sixty years passed away suddenly October 31st, 2016. He will be deeply missed by his lovely wife Renee Yakiwchuk; Sons Ryan (Anab), Dustin (Kelly), Blake (Jennifer), Blair (Jessica), Devin, Rhett, Landon and daughter Lyndsy (Levi). 11 grandchildren will also have fond memories of their "Papa Don". Don joins his father George Yakiwchuk who passed away November 20th, 1991. He loved his brothers Dean, Dale, Mark, and sister Laurie Ann all of Calgary.

Don was born in Edmonton on May 13th, 1956. As a boy Don's greatest moments were with his brothers doing anything and everything sports related. Being the sons of two parents from Saskatchewan, Don spent his summers in Radisson and Hafford where his love of farming life was sewn and he enjoyed trips every summer into his adulthood. Don's love for Renee brought him to Salt Lake City where they raised their eight children and 11 grandchildren. Don's love for athletics shown brightest in Utah where he proudly officiated all levels of football, baseball, and basketball. He also spread the gospel of "Steelers Nation" with himself and his children traveling to watch their beloved Steelers any chance they could. Don was a true showman to friends and strangers alike. He took delight in telling stories and cracking jokes, finding commonality and connection with all he met. Perhaps Don's greatest legacy were his four "L's" he lived by: He told friends and family alike that the key to a life best lived were to: Live, laugh, love and leave a legacy. His children and grandchildren are testament to that. Don will forever be missed by all those that knew his.

Saturday, November 5, 2016 at the LDS Church located at 857 West 800 North, Orem, Utah where a viewing will be held Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and Saturday prior to services from 9:30 to 10:45 am. Interment at the Orem City Cemetery. A celebration of life in Calgary at a later date.




# Events


**Donald George Yakiwchuk**

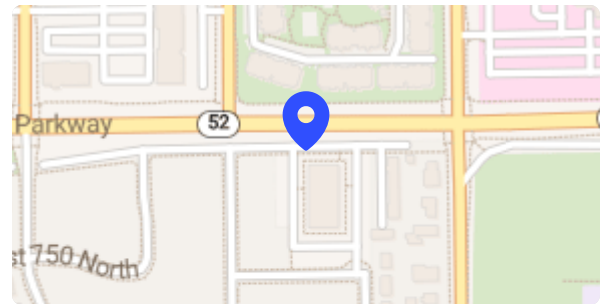
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## Funeral Services


 **Saturday**, November 5, 2016

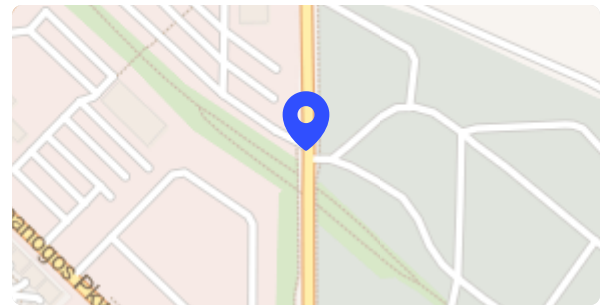
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 **LDS Orem Ward**  
857 West 800 North, Orem UT



## Cemetery Details

 **Orem City Cemetery**  
1520 North 800 East, Orem UT 84058





## Tribute Wall

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**Rich Thorpe** posted:

I've known Don for what seems like 40 years as an Official with my Sons, Grand Sons, and thousands of 9th Grade football players. He loved the Game, but I think He loved the Kids more. He will be missed. Rich Thorpe Utah Valley 9th Grade Football

November 7 at 5:15 AM



**Jay Sullivan** posted:

What a Great man to have known! Seems like our Heavenly Father takes the Best first?! Don was one of the most helpful, honest, trustworthy, knowledgable, friendly, contagiously funny, a Great person, and human being I have ever known! His Generosity, umpire/referee skills, work ethics and personality were second to none. I had the pleasure of refereeing many basketball, and fast pitch softball games with Don. I always was happy and honored to be chosen by the associations to work with Donny! He was loved by many! I will miss you forever!!! You were trulyThe BEST !!!! RIP my friend, Jay Sullivan

November 4 at 7:03 PM



**Premier Funeral Services** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



November 4 at 10:19 AM



# Media

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**Premier Funeral Services** shared 5 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

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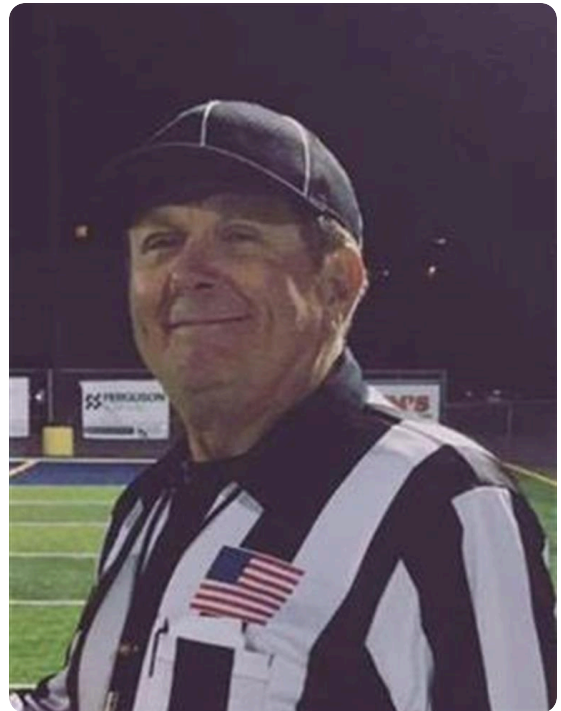




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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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