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**T**HOMAS DAVID GROVER  
1950-2020

Thomas David Grover passed away March 29, 2020, in the comfort of his home. He was born March 7, 1950, in Ogden, Utah, to LeGrand Grover and Viola Lucille Darcey. He graduated from Clearfield High in 1968, where he lettered in track and field, wrestling, and football. He then served his country honorably in the United States Army Special Forces during and after the Vietnam War as a Green Beret from 1968-1978. From 1970-1972 he took a 2-year leave of absence from the armed forces to serve a full-time mission. He served as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Great Australia West Mission, which spanned the western half of the country. His mission meant a great deal to him and he cherished the people he served there.

On August 30, 1973, he married Charlotta Elaine Cook in the Ogden Utah Temple. They reared 7 children in Davis County, Utah. A paint contractor/craftsman by profession, he made his living making peoples' homes beautiful. His favorite places to work included the Ogden Utah Temple and the Salt Lake Utah Temple. In the Salt Lake Temple he painted, marbled, wood grained and gold leafed in several different areas.

A life-long scouter, Tom believed the ideals and principles of scouting were some of the best ways to help youth become hard working, dedicated, and honorable adults. For his years of dedicated service, he received the Silver Beaver Award and Vigil Honor in the Order of the Arrow.

A lover of the outdoors, he was happiest when wandering through the woods or kayaking on a serene mountain lake. He passed on his love for the outdoors to his children and many others. He was a skilled artist and craftsman and enjoyed using his gifts in many ways, including creating Native American regalia.



## Obituary

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He is preceded in death by his wife Charlotta, as well as his parents and brother. He is survived by his 7 children: Emily (David McAllister); Alisa (Dan Simpson); Amelia; Thomas (Erin); Breanne; Nathan; Samuel (Brynn); and 13 grandchildren: Cora, Ethan, Hyrum, Grace, Rebecca, Logan, Elisabeth, Jacob, Ellenor, William, Charlotte, Owen, and Bennett. A memorial service will be held in his honor at a future date, which will be posted in the newspapers.



# Tribute Wall

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NA

**Neil Andersen** posted:

Tom touched the lives of many boys. He loved making arrows to hand out to boys who had earned their Arrow of Light. He loved teaching Native American regalia to boys in the Order of Arrow. He loved teaching and helping young men in and out of Scouting. Neil Andersen

April 13 at 6:27 AM

JJ

**Jolene Johnson** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We absolutley loved Tom and the whole family. He was our faithful home teacher / minister / friend. He was the whole reason I built a float to honor his many years of service to the boy scouts in this area. He will be missed!



April 8 at 9:11 PM

JJ

**Jolene Johnson** shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.



April 8 at 9:10 PM

NA

**Neil Andersen** shared 2 photos to the **Thomas Grover** album.



April 8 at 5:54 PM

MF

**Mark Flammer** posted:

Tom called me cousin because my mom was a Grover and we were connected somewhere clear back in the line. I really enjoyed Tom. He was so interesting to talk to and so well read. I will miss him. Mark Flammer

April 7 at 3:34 PM



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**Kent Davis** posted:

We appreciate the opportunity to have known such a great man who was so knowledgeable in the gospel, would do anything for you, and loved his dear wife Charlotta deeply. Our prayers go out to family and friends. Kent and Marnell Davis

April 2 at 3:42 PM



**Stuart Richardson** posted:

I was in Special Forces training with Tom, We called him John Wayne Grover, He was a good man and we all like him and we all got along well. We wish the family well at this tough time. My best wishes to all. Stuart Richardson

April 2 at 3:13 PM



**Sallijune Allred** posted:

My wonderful friend Breanne often opted out of coming to our friend outings in high school, and after meeting her family, it made sense to me why. The feeling of belonging and simplicity and love that was present in the Grover home, under the fatherly care of Mr. Thomas Grover, will always be a soft spot in my heart. I felt like one of the Grovers! I had a couple of opportunities in the past five years to see Mr. Grover and he'd always take the time to stop whatever he was doing, and talk with me. He was an amazing man, and has some amazing kids.

April 2 at 2:05 PM



**Nathan Grover** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



April 1 at 8:14 AM



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JB

**Joanne Bavelas** posted:

Tom Grover. Meant a lot to me , He always took time to share his thoughts and life experiences. Nowadays most people just wave and keep moving. Tom could always sense when I needed a neighborly visit. He cared. He was one of the special people in Apollo's life. He would pick him up and sit him on his lap. This show of Christlike love sunk deep into my soul. Apollo would just hear his voice and light up. Tom I will miss you and treasure our friendship until we meet again. Say Hi to Apollo for me-I know he will want to talk with you ❤️

April 2 at 10:53 AM

BP

**Bruce Powell** posted:

Tom was a wonderful friend and neighbor since the time the Grovers moved to Centerville. What a wonderful family and a great man willing to help with anything. Tom's love for his fellowman was evident in all he did. He made more than a few Scout Courts of Honor memorable with his Indian regalia and enthusiasm. Always willing to share a story or a talents, he taught his children well. They serve as a great tribute to who he was and what he stood for. We will miss you Tom. Bruce and Karen Powell

April 2 at 9:34 AM

NG

**Nathan Grover** shared 11 photos to the **Thomas Grover** album.



April 1 at 8:14 AM

JH

**Janet Myers Hammond** posted:

I was so sad to hear that Tom had died. Our families were so close for many years. Please pass on my condolences.

April 1 at 1:32 PM

LH

**Lee Forney-Harrison** posted:

I remember Tom from High School. He was always polite and always, always had a big beautiful smile on his face. Rest well my friend. Lee Forney-Harrison

April 1 at 9:53 AM



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**Henry Simpson** posted:

I remember when we first met during the time that his daughter and my son were dating and getting serious how proud he was of his children and of his service in the military. I received an acknowledgement for my service even though our service was very different. He loved the gospel and his savior. While he had imperfections, as all of us do, I am grateful to have known him.

April 1 at 8:14 AM



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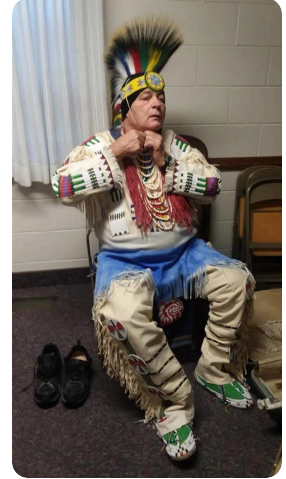
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April 2 at 1:00 PM



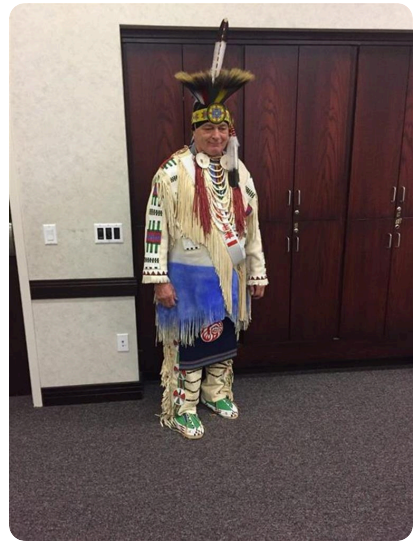
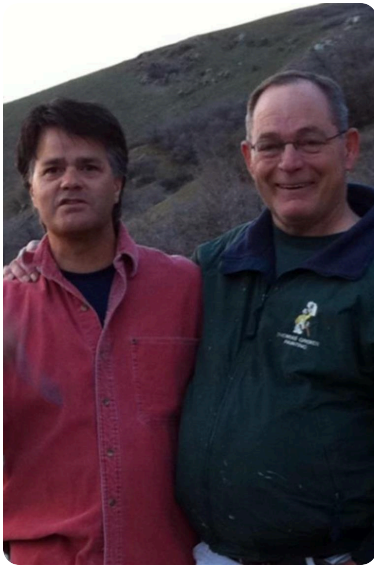


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April 1 at 7:47 PM





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

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



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