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Douglas Clyde Simpson, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, died November 29, 2020, in Denver, Colorado, at the age of 67.

Doug was born on August 9, 1953, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Gordon Douglas and Janice Kathryn (Anderson) Simpson. He attended the University of Utah and pursued a career in telecommunications in Oregon, Utah, and Colorado. He married Carol Robinson on September 4, 1975, in the Salt Lake Temple. Together, they raised two sons, Michael and Peter.

At the age of 15, Doug was diagnosed with osteosarcoma, which resulted in the amputation of his leg. Despite the challenges of living with a disability from a young age, Doug's determination to live a positive and fulfilling life was inspirational to all who knew him. As a young man he loved boating at Lake Powell with his family. Later he enjoyed travel, visiting Europe, Japan, and much of the United States, including numerous national parks. Doug had a keen intellect and was an avid reader. He held various callings in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints serving the Lord. He excelled in teaching and took great joy in studying and researching the gospel. Doug loved serving as an early morning Seminary teacher to the youth of the congregation, sharing the gospel and appreciating the energy and strength of the young men and women. He also had a life-long passion for music. He played coronet in the Salt Lake Masonic Temple youth band, and later in life became a talented tenor. Doug joined the Cherry Creek Chorale in 2009 and served as President for the 2013 – 2014 season. He was known for his quick wit, gentle sense of humor, compassion, and kindness. More than anything, Doug loved spending time with his wife and his family, especially his six grandchildren.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Patricia, and his grandson, Gray. He is survived by his wife, Carol; his sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren Michael and Kristen (Amaia, Jacob and Maren), and Peter and Joanna (Jack, Ryker, and Sterling); his siblings, Michael, Anne, and Jonathan; many cousins, nieces, and nephews; and his dog, Louie.



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Doug will be interred at the Salt Lake City Cemetery on December 11, 2020. Due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, a memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Cherry Creek Chorale or the Latter-day Saint Charities in Doug's memory.



Tribute Wall

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JS

Jacob Simpson posted:

I loved having Poppy around he was so special and he mentioned a lot to us.

April 14 at 10:15 AM

CI

Cindy posted:

Carol I am so sorry to see the passing of Doug. We worked together at the Marriott Library for several years. He was a great supervisor and person. He was always so kind and funny. It doesn't surprise me he was so well liked. Even though I haven't been in contact with you guys, I'm sorry that I wasn't able to say my goodbyes. Cindy Morgan

December 27 at 3:46 PM

AF

Anna Florin posted:

Doug was such a nice guy in high school. We had art class together with Mr. Miller at Olympus High. He was always very nice to me and we joked a lot about our efforts in drawing. So sorry to hear he's gone.

December 27 at 7:42 AM

SD

Sandy Duran posted:

My condolences to Carol and family. It has been many years since I saw Doug. We worked together on the 18th floor at 1801 California. Doug taught me so many things about a job I didn't know how to do. Great teacher and very nice person.

December 27 at 6:25 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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