



# Ryan Leo Black

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**R**yan Leo Black passed away Friday February 5th at the hospital in Ogden Utah from congestive heart failure at the age of 58. He was in Utah visiting his new Granddaughter born two weeks earlier.

Ryan was born October 2, 1962 in Sandpoint, ID. The third child of Michael H. and E. LaRene (Fowles) Black. He spent his childhood like many active young boys with many bumps and bruises. He spent many summers in Northern Idaho on many family outings. Hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, trapping with his Grandpa, and picking huckleberries. He attended Othello High School and graduated in 1981. During High School he played the baritone saxophone, played football as a right linebacker and fullback, wrestled, participated in track, and earned his Eagle Scout award.

He attended Ricks College for a semester before working for the Othello Community Hospital as a member of the ambulance team. He prepared and served an eighteen month mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Bahia Blanca Argentina. Upon returning home he married his soul mate Shelley Cole for eternity in the Seattle Temple. He attended Wenatchee Valley Community College to become an X-Ray Technologist. Over the years he worked and moved his family to many different locations such as Thermopolis WY, Burien WA, Pasco WA, Othello WA, Dillon MT, Ennis MT, Billings MT, Kodiak AK, and finally Chester MT.

He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many callings including a Bishop for 5.5 years in Kodiak AK. He was active with the youth and was instrumental in helping his two boys receive their Eagle Scout award and serve full time missions of their own. He loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing, spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his mother LaRene Black of Moses Lake WA, one sister LaDawn and Dan Reynolds of Quincy, WA, and three brothers: Mike and Teresa of Othello, WA, Troy and Kristina of Hayden Lake, ID and Toby of Moses Lake, WA; His beloved wife of 36 years, Shelley; His four children Levi and Jessica Black, Kayla and Jordan Cubbadge of Ogden Utah, Jeremiah, and Mandi;



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and five Grandkids: Leo, Bair, Calvin Black, Denali and Rally Cubbadge. He was preceded in death by his father Michael H. Black.

A viewing will be held Saturday, February 13th, 9 - 10 am at 5900 W. 5500 So. Hooper, followed by graveside services at Hooper Cemetery.



## Tribute Wall

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DH

**Dan Haws** posted:

It took me awhile before I discovered this page was here...sorry for the late response. Ryan has a lot of brothers...I do not. When we were kids he was probably the closest thing to a brother that I will ever have. We spent so much time at each other's homes that we each called the others Mother "Mom". During high school I don't think there was a single day that we weren't together. Riding around our little country town in our old beat-up cars and out across the rolling fields, on warm days, with the windows down and the old 8 track tape player turned-up. Fishing together, taking our girl friends out on double dates and sparing with boxing gloves in the backyard...Ryan had a wicked "left-hook" that used to rattle my teeth! We worked together at Jimmy Gilberts building furniture, we sang together in the school choir, we attended church together, we worked on each others cars. But, the one thing we did the most...was laugh. I've never in my entire life to this day met someone who ever made me laugh so much...we just played off each other so naturally that we both kept the other in stitches. I've never been good at staying in-touch with people...I don't have my own Facebook page...but Ryan and I did meet a few times through all these past years and we always took up the moment we met...just as if no time had past. That's what best friends can do. I've lived long enough now to know that you really don't get the opportunity in life to meet many people that are TRUE friends. Ryan Black was always that to me. So, if I can ever say that I had a brother in this life...it was him. Thanks for some of the happiest memories of my life...see you soon brother. Dan Haws

March 8 at 9:33 AM

JJ

**Jocelyn Johnson** posted:

I knew Bishop Black for only a summer, back in 2013, but was so inspired by him and his family. He left a lasting impression, so much so that I was just telling my kids last month about the amazing story he shared of his experience leaving Montana and moving to Kodiak and how the Lord guided him and his family. I remember when I heard Bishop Black share it, I could feel the Spirit and is stuck with me. I know he blessed so many people's lives in Kodiak and I'm sure wherever he lived. When I saw today that he passed I was so saddened. Condolences and love to Sis Black and the whole family.

February 25 at 7:33 AM

AB

**Andrew Barnes** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

One of the many fishing trips with my friend. Miss you. until we meet again



February 14 at 5:50 PM



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DM

**David Miller** posted:

Ryan was a childhood friend of my wife and later married her cousin. Our paths crossed as neighbors living in Othello. We spent many evenings together eating and playing games. He always welcomed us and treated us as dear friends. He introduced me to huli huli sauce. We will miss him and wish his family our sincere sympathy and love and will pray for their peace and comfort. Love David & JoAnna

February 14 at 9:52 AM

TG

**Tom Gearheart** posted:

I will always be grateful for the great memories I have of Ryan and our childhood escapades thru life! There were never any dull moments! We played, explored, and learned all those things children do for the very first time! We were adventurers!! Whether it was in grade school, Primary, Scouts, or childhood sports, we lived life! And it was the best because of you! Ryan reminded me so much of his Grandpa Bill. They always brought laughter to life! Thank you Ryan for all those wonderful times and beautiful memories that help build, prepare, and sustain life! Ours was a day when we could fully enjoy what childhood was really meant to be, and you made it come alive!! I anxiously await our next reunion! May heaven bless your family forever! Tom Gearheart

February 13 at 5:05 AM

BS

**Bob Stanford** shared 2 photos and a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

September of 2019 at the floating cabin in Paramonof Alaska. Ryan got a chance to fish with the family and enjoy the beauty of a peaceful weekend. He has been a cherished friend and mentor. We would sit for hours burning pallets in his backyard fire pit laughing at life's challenges. Bob Stanford.



February 10 at 12:30 PM

KM

**Kirsten Meine** posted:

I so enjoyed working with Ryan in Dillon! He was truly one of a kind. I had just started my nursing career, and even though he was in radiology, he took me under his wing. He was a great teacher, we spent many hours at work visiting about the Gospel. He knew all the answers to my questions. He especially helped me when my baby passed away. He was such a comfort for me during such a hard time in my life. He gave the most beautiful prayer at Walkers funeral. He had such a deep love for his family and the Gospel and was a great example to so many. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

February 12 at 5:01 PM



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**Kevin & Jill Mackey** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Ryan and Shelly welcomed us into their Kodiak home and made this day possible. Thank goodness for memories and pictures of his wonderful smile and selfless life. ❤️ Kevin and Jill Mackey



February 11 at 12:45 PM

DW

**Dawnalynn Wells** posted:

So many good memories of Ryan, Shelly and kids. Ryan never ceased to make me laugh. He was the guy who came in a room and I would think, "Ok, now the fun starts". My heart hurts for all of you. Ryan made a difference in life. I hope you have so many good memories to soothe your hearts

February 10 at 4:34 PM

DB

**Duane Black** posted:

So sorry he left this earth early. He was such an Awesome person that will be missed by his entire family. I am happy he stopped and stayed with us last fall and we went fishing. Love and Hugs to our entire family. RIP Ryan. Duane Black

February 10 at 12:30 PM

BF

**Bill Foster** March 20 at 11:29 PM

love mr black,,late nite fishing expidion with jimmy southam,,waded over my boots,,,20 below zero,took boots off,,socks,feet immedenty froze to the pavement so MR bBLACK took it upon hiself to dump my thermos of hot coffer on my feet to free me,,lots of memories with ryan,,love you man,,texted me from his hosp room day before his passing,,told him,,RYAN,you die me i will hate your guts,,understood,,,HAHAHA,,will try not to,,,his last words to me,,RIP ryan

CK

**Carla Kimmel** February 18 at 6:36 PM

I will miss your smile and kind words, You left too soon, you were one of the kindness person I have ever meet, You and your family always made me feel welcome. Shelly and the children I send my love and hugs.

JC

**Judy Carstens** February 13 at 4:35 PM

R.I.P. Ryan. Shared many good laughs as well S sad moments while working at PKIMC Kodiak. You were missed when you left hospital but now you will be really missed. My sincere condolences to family.



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Silver fishing in Kodiak, Alaska



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