



Lewis Richard Hansen

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Lewis Richard Hansen passed away unexpectedly July 5th 2025. Lewis was born on August 20, 1953, in Ogden, Utah, to Richard Lewellyn Hansen and La Rue Alkema, Lewis was a bright and active child from the start.

Lewis's early years were marked by his passion for sports and intellect. He played football for Highland High School and honed his sharp mind as a valued member of the debate team. Following high school, he served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in North Carolina, an experience that deepened his faith.

On July 30, 1979, Lewis married Christine Kendall, and together they welcomed four spirited redheads into their lives. Lewis achieved a significant milestone, earning his Juris Doctor from the University of Utah's College of Law on May 19, 1979. He went on to practice law in both California and Utah, and won many awards throughout his legal career. Beyond his legal career, Lewis had a unique entrepreneurial spirit, finding joy in selling baseball cards.

Lewis cherished coaching his sons' baseball teams, instilling in them not just skills but also a love for the game. He was an avid golfer and loved showing his grandchildren how to play. He was a devoted fan of the Utah Utes and the Utah Jazz, always ready to cheer on his favorite teams.

In his later years, Lewis found profound comfort and joy in his faith. He loved attending his ward, reading his scriptures, and sharing his countless stories and jokes with anyone who would lend an ear. He had a remarkable ability to enjoy and be present in the moment, finding happiness in the simple things, like jamming out to rock music. Lewis loved his family fiercely, in his own unique way, and his grandchildren were a constant source of delight, thrilling him with every visit.

Lewis is preceded in death by his parents, Richard Lewellyn Hansen and La Rue Alkema. He is survived by his children: Misty Drollinger (Jon), Matthew Hansen, Ashley Haynes (Matthew), and David Hansen. He also leaves behind his cherished grandchildren, Mason (14), Gwen (13), Nora



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(11), Emery (10), Jak (8), Owen (8), and bonus grandchildren Athan, Myla, and Evalee. He is also survived by his sister Elaine Dahlgren.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, July 12, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at 6770 S 500 E, Midvale, UT 84047. A viewing will take place from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, followed by the funeral service from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The burial will be at Wasatch Lawn Mortuary, 3401 S Highland Dr, Millcreek, UT 84106. In lieu of flowers, donations to assist with funeral services can be made at <https://gofund.me/29699a2e>.






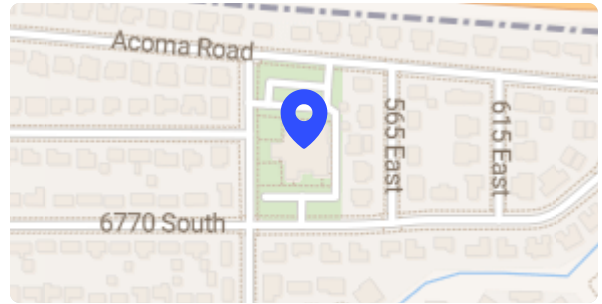
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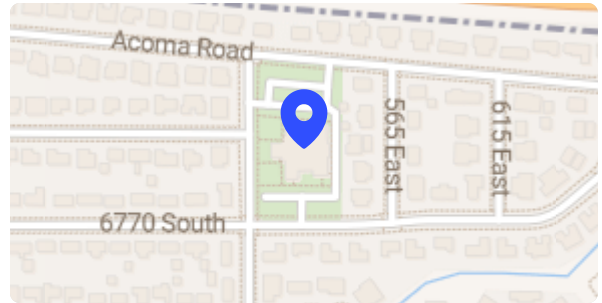
Viewing

-  **Saturday**, July 12, 2025
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM MT
-  **Midvale Church**
6770 S 500 E, Midvale UT




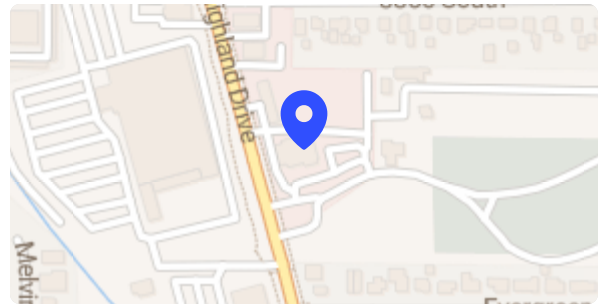
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Cemetery Details

-  **Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park**
3401 South Highland Drive, Salt Lake City UT





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Dixie Ball Swiatocha posted:

I spent a lot of time visiting with Lew by the auditorium. He was giving me dating advice. I remember when my sister Sally died he came to the viewing and was so sad with grief. I will always appreciate his tender soul. One of the best Highland Rams ever. Dixie Ball Swiatocha

July 11 at 2:36 PM



Hutch Hunter posted:

One of the best memories of Lew is the famed 1974 intermural football championship at the University of Utah. The champions, Lew's Marauders. Members of the Highland High class of '71 football team, this group of recently returned missionaries, led by Lew Hansen, beat all of the entitled fraternities, to go go undefeated and earn the title. Rest in Peace, Big Lew.

July 10 at 9:35 AM



Misty Drollinger July 10 at 3:20 PM

I loved hearing this story. Thank you so much for sharing ❤️



Debra Zinik posted:

May his memory be a blessing

July 10 at 4:22 AM



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SJ

Scott Jackson posted:

Lew was as fiery and spirited as his red hair. He was the heart and sole of our Highland High football team. He was a loyal Ram through and through. He did a lot to keep our group of football friends together, even to the present. One year, in about the mid 80's, he organized a reunion of former Highland football players around homecoming. I was doing my medical training in Southern California and told Lew I couldn't afford the time or expense to attend. The next day I received in the mail a round trip ticket to fly to Salt Lake and back from my dear friend, Lew Hansen. We will miss your energy, loyalty and generosity! Scott Jackson

July 9 at 7:44 PM

SM

Scott Miller July 11 at 4:51 PM

Lew was a wonderful friend and teammate. After those days as young men, Lew continued to provide friendship and support in a variety of ways. His legal advice and perspective was a boon to those clients who counted on him. As he became involved in a variety of ventures, his enthusiasm was infectious and encouraging. I quite enjoyed doing some investigative work at his prompting. Condolences, and best wishes to his family, friends, and teammates!

MD

Misty Drollinger July 10 at 3:21 PM

I loved hearing this story, thank you for sharing ❤️



Memories only last if you share them

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



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