



Duane Edwin Hamblin

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Duane Edwin Hamblin will be remembered by those who knew him as an intelligent and imaginative individual. Curious and creative. But time and human frailty exacted their toll, and for Duane it came in the form of dementia.

On March 4th 2026, he moved on from the bounds of mortality and his mind, his ideas and imagination extend into the universe.

He will be remembered by his posterity as a kind, loving and humorous man. He is missed intensely by his loving wife Alice Jane Turner Hamblin to whom he was married for over 62 years, often creating unique special valentines cards with unusual materials from fabric to steel.

Duane thought of himself as a cowboy, being born in his parents home on their dairy farm in Montwell, Utah. He was born on August 1, 1941 and survived pneumonia and whooping cough as an infant. He grew up working on the farm riding horses and managing cows. But his heart was always in electronics and radio from an early age. Later in life he would build an early computer from instructions in a magazine, have an amateur radio license (WB7BVM) and pioneer the use of computers by Uintah Basin Telephone and later was instrumental in introducing the cellular phone system in the Uintah Basin area.

He was deeply faithful in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and served three missions for the church. First in Alberta Canada in his twenties, then with his wife in Honolulu Hawaii (and Christmas Island, Kiribati) and with his wife at Nauvoo Illinois, helping in the restoration efforts and presenting to guests of the city.

Though he was never formally trained, he had a good voice and enjoyed singing, especially old cowboy songs. He also played the harmonica very well, and tinkered with a variety of other instruments that piqued his curiosity. Those who knew him best will remember the intricate carvings he would make from sticks or branches using only his pocket knife.



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He was always curious and constantly learning and dabbled in many crafts and hobbies and had a strong mind for mechanical things. He was able to fix so many things and frequently arrived to the rescue of family , sometimes driving many miles to fix a vehicle with whatever materials he had available.

Though he was extremely shy as a child, he overcame it, learning to enjoy performing and reciting for friends and family. He was simply kind and friendly to nearly everyone he met and frequently induced laughter with a variety of jokes and antics.

Duane brought joy and resourcefulness to every corner of his life. He is survived by his loving wife, Alice, their seven children: Holly (Craig), Matthew, Jacob “JJ”, Allison, Adam (Lisa), Miranda, Joel (Annalisa), 28 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and many others who were blessed by his kindness, wisdom, and inventive spirit. He was preceded in death by two grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 14th at Premier Funeral Services in Midvale, Utah (67 East 8000 South,) at 12:00 pm with a viewing starting at 11:00 am prior to services. In lieu of flowers, the family invites you to share a memory of Duane or perform an act of service in his honor. Interment will be at Midvale City Cemetery. For those unable to attend the services in person, a Zoom broadcast has been provided: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87375764869>
Meeting ID: 873 7576 4869




Events

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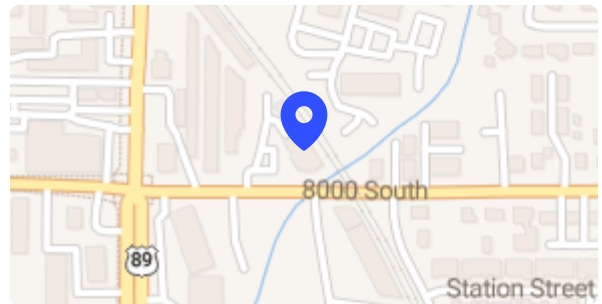
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Viewing

 **Saturday**, March 14, 2026


 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM MT


 **Premier Funeral Services**
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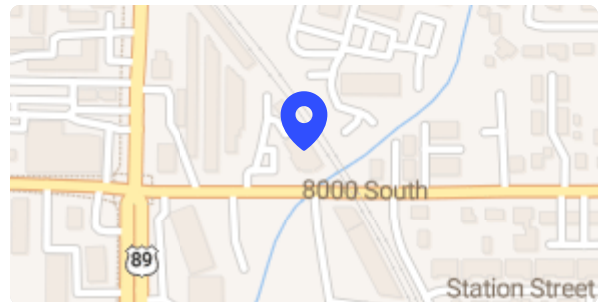


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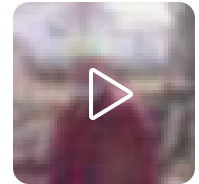
Glenda Stewart posted:

I had had the privilege of working with Duane for a number of years at Uintah Basin Telephone. He had a brilliant mind, along with his natural curiosity of all things electronic. Those two things allowed him to have a front row seat as the company ushered in the worlds of cellular service and digital switching. At the company Christmas parties, Duane would treat us to his rendition of "The Cremation of Sam McGee". He once brought in his "Cartidge in a Bare Tree", which was a tree branch sprayed white with shotgun cartidges hanging from it, which was his version of a Partridge in a Pear Tree. Then of course who could forget his odometer for his handcart. Allison, thank you for keeping me updated on your parents. May our Father Heaven give each of you peace and comfort as you mourn the loss of this noble and sweet man. Glenda Stewart

March 13 at 11:31 AM

CG

Craig Geertsen shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.



March 12 at 12:34 PM

K

Kristine Harris posted:

I remember my uncle as being very creative. One thing he made was a robot out of used parts. I thought it was wonderful. He also had fire works at there home some years when his kids were young. Now he can create in heaven. Kristine Harris

March 10 at 6:51 PM

BR

Becky Robinson posted:

I remember when Uncle Duane and Aunt Alice moved to Montwell. I was a kid and it was exciting to have new cousins to meet. I remember thinking how beautiful Aunt Alice was (and still is) and how kind and fun Uncle Duane was. I know my mom was so happy to have her little brother nearby. I always felt welcome in their beautiful home and have very fond memories of this well loved man. Becky Larsen Robinson

March 10 at 6:47 PM



Media

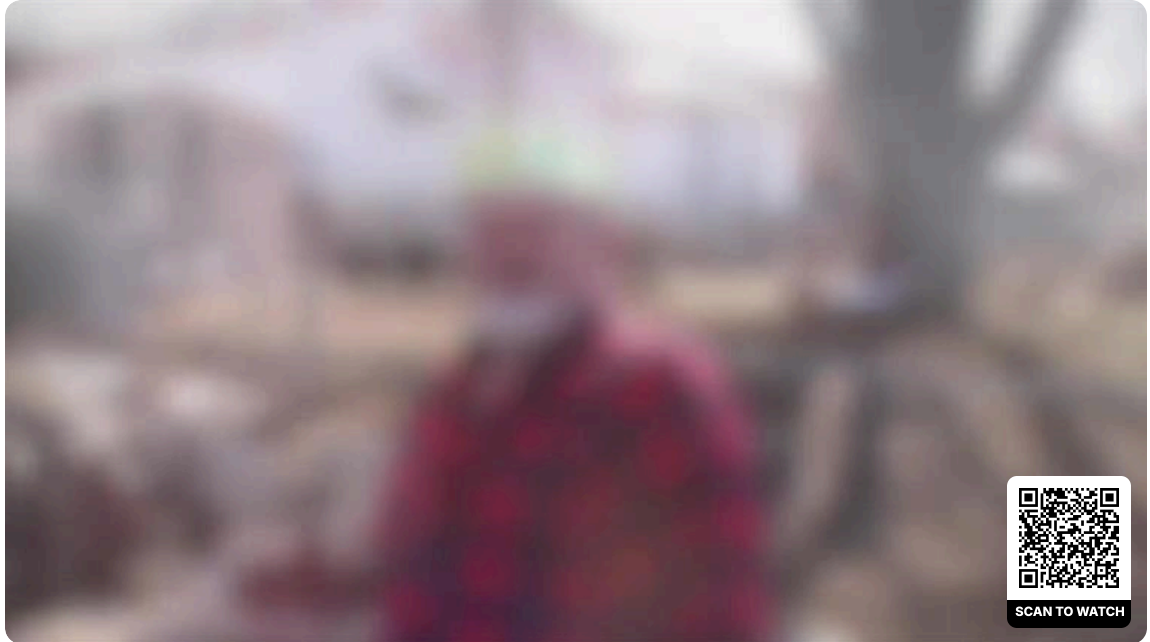
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Memories only last if you share them

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



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