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Dennis John Heggem Jr., beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away peacefully from a glioblastoma tumor on May 10 at age 67. Dennis was born July 24, 1951 in Seattle, Washington to Dennis John Heggem Sr. and Elizabeth Anne Heggem.

After serving a mission in England for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Dennis attended Brigham Young University, where he met his wife, Connie, at a dance where he asked her out. Connie received her mission call the next day and she shared her destination with him at the picnic. Dennis proposed 3 times before letting Connie go 2 months later. He was waiting when she arrived home from her mission. They were married 3 months later and have been married 42 years with 5 children. Life was fun and full. Dennis loved his children very much. Dennis worked for BYU for 27 years. He loved the atmosphere, the people, and the challenge his work presented, he was a friend to all. He helped many who were in need with car repairs, giving funds to the needy, and help to the aged. He loved to talk and share his testimony of the Lord Jesus Christ, who was his anchor. He was a seeker of knowledge and truth. We will miss him greatly.

He is survived by his mother, Elizabeth Anne Heggem; four siblings: Richard Heggem, David Heggem, Barbara Bertleson, and Ronald Heggem; wife, Connie Heggem; Five children: Stephannie Beman (Don), Jennifer Weber (Kevin), Kimberly Heggem, Nathanael Heggem, and Dennis John Heggem III; and two grandchildren: Trinity Beman and Kiara Beman. Preceded in death by his father, Dennis John Heggem Sr.

Funeral Services will be held May 25th at 11 am at Hobbles Creek Fifth Ward, 1460 East 900 South in Springville, Utah with a visitation beginning at 9:30.

Comments



“ Dear Heggem Family,

When I came to BYU over ten years ago, Dennis welcomed me as a friend and colleague. Even as I, he wanted to see this adventurous path we had started down through to success. We were both so busy at that juncture that all of our conversations were brief and work oriented, as we tried to make sure there was cohesion between our two modules. In the last couple of years I was able to hear briefly about his growing up in Washington, about his conversion and mission, of the love he had for his family, and he had indicated there were miracles that were too sacred to share. Because I know him as a truthful person, I do not doubt him. Dennis was a wonderful colleague, and I consider him a friend. I have great hope in the promises of the resurrection and the blessings promised to those who are valiant in their testimony. Those blessings and promises are worth every effort that we can put forth in this life to be worthy through baptism as the first ordinance, as demonstrated by the Savior, and through continued repentance, which provides the possibility for the grace that comes through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ. None of us is perfect, but the love and grace of the Savior are immutable facts in a world of mortal and moral weakness, and the path is laid before if we will follow Jesus. Dennis reminds me of one who was trying to be like Jesus, trying to love as he did, trying to love his neighbor, trying to serve his friends (and others).

Thank you, we love him, we love you.

Shawn Trauntvein

Shawn Trauntvein - 19 hours ago



“ To Connie and the children I am greatly sorrowed at your loss of husband and father. Dennis was a good friend and one of the first I met when I came to BYU to work. He mentored me and we often would just sit and talk about many things besides work. Dennis always was willing to share a spiritual thought and would relate to many issues of the day as he reflected on his past experiences as a young convert and missionary. He always was willing to take on a task and was often noted as not taking a full vacation but would be online to help with office work. He was a good friend and we will miss him. Thank you for sharing him with us.

Bill Welsh

William Welsh - May 15 at 01:41 PM