



## James Scott Vest

May 14, 1957 - July 28, 2020

James Scott Vest, better known to all as Scott, was born, May 14th, 1957 at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Aurora, Colorado. Scott passed away on July 28th, 2020 from complications of ALS in Roy, Utah.

Growing up, Scott traveled the U.S. and parts of the world with his military family. He lived in Colorado, Utah, California, and Germany. Scott built a career in the service industry and held multiple positions that also allowed him to do a lot of traveling. Scott has worked as a Firefighter, Police Officer, Paramedic, EMT, and EMT instructor over the course of his life, but most recently was working as an Applications Manager for security systems. Scott also spent time working as a public relations officer and response vehicle operator. One of Scott's most significant accomplishments in life was volunteering for the Red Cross where he amassed over 3,000 hours in the field and was an Emergence Response Vehicle Trainer. This was also one of his greatest passion's in life as he loved helping people whenever he could. Especially people in great need. Scott worked on the Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort in 2005 and many other disaster cleanup and aid efforts. Because of his work, Scott received countless awards for all of his amazing contributions and support. Scott thoroughly enjoyed the outdoors, including camping and fishing, and found much joy in the art of photography in which he quickly discovered he had a great talent for. Because of this, he was able to practice it as a hobby as well as a side gig. Scott was an incredible friend and mentor to many and had a knack of looking after people, his family especially, and was there whenever he was needed. Although Scott could be very opinionated at times, he ultimately had everyone's best interest at heart and he just downright cared. His big brother will remember him as his "buddy and friend" as they shared a lot of great times together. Scott truly dedicated his life to others, and this is how he will be remembered. He was a big guy, with a big heart, who was loved and will be greatly missed.

Scott is survived by his brother, Steven (Kay) Vest, sister, Sonja London, nephews, Josh (Nancy) Vest, Dan (Andrea) Vest, niece, QuinnAnn Roberts, aunt Lenore Cooney, aunt Cheryl (Jed) Hammond, and uncle Mike (Peggy) London. He is also survived by 4 great-nieces, Daisy, Alexis, Tyler, and Lily, 2 great-nephews, Brayden and Carter, and even, 2

great-great nieces, Serenity and Lilith. He is preceded in death by his parents, Grant and Patricia Vest, grandparents Hillman and Ethyl London, and Edwin and Orpha Vest, and his brother Daniel Vest. In light of the pandemic, the viewing will be held for close family only with a graveside service to follow where everyone is welcome.

Graveside services will be held August 3rd, at 11 a.m. at Ogden Cemetery, north of the Armed Forces Circle. We ask that everyone please practice safe distancing and when unable to do so, please wear a mask. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the American Red Cross.

# Events

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**AUG** **Graveside Service** 11:00AM

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Ogden City Cemetery

1875 Monroe Blvd, Ogden, UT, US, 84201

# Comments

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“ Thinking of Scott since today is his birthday! Such a great person who would do anything for anyone. Red Cross was lucky to have him as a volunteer and I was fortunate also to call him a friend. Happy heavenly birthday, Scott - you are missed!

**Barb** - May 14, 2021 at 12:41 PM

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“ Scott was the glue that held together the stage crew and the facility at the Oakland Interstake center and the Oakland Temple Pageant and other activities. He was the first person there providing first aid. He was a dear friend when you got to know him. He had a large heart. He will continue to hover over his loved ones and help them from heaven. My love and prayers are with you.

**Tom Johnston** - August 28, 2020 at 11:44 PM

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“ Scott was a dedicated volunteer for the Red Cross in the Silicon Valley Chapter in San Jose, CA. There wasn't anything Scott wouldn't do. He was always up for anything and whenever we had an event or meeting, he was there with his camera, recording things for posterity. He leaves a hole in the hearts of his fellow Red Crossers. He was missed already when he moved to Utah, but knowing he will never drop by for a visit saddens me. Be at peace, Scott.

**Diane** - August 04, 2020 at 12:17 AM

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“ Scott was a dear neighbor. Often during the winter he would be seen clearing the sidewalk of the cul-de-sac. He offered his help when it was needed and watched over our little area well. It was a treasure to be able to spend some time with Scott this past fall and winter. His genuine heart was thoughtful of others. He shared stories of his fascinating life and adventures he had. We talked about some of his scuba diving experiences and the beautiful scenery and sea life under the ocean. He had a thirst for learning and wanted to know the details and understand the complexities of it. I know he is in a place where he can continue to learn and grow. Scott was a good friend and a caring soul. He will be missed.

**Gennie** - August 02, 2020 at 06:21 PM

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“ One of the nicest human beings ever to grace the Earth....



**Dawn Mennillo** - August 02, 2020 at 03:34 PM