



## Odie J Kennedy

April 26, 1959 - January 4, 2022

Odie Joseph Kennedy

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Our father, grandfather, brother and friend, Odie Joseph Kennedy, passed away unexpectedly on January 4, 2022 at the age of 62. Odie was born on April 26, 1959, to Joseph and Cherie Kennedy in Salt Lake City, Utah. He attended Olympus High and South Summit High School where he played on the football team. After high school, Odie worked in the steel fabrication industry for several years where he made many friends. Odie married Tammi Nielson in 1979. Together they raised three children, Jackie, Jill, and Odie Jr. Although Odie and Tammi later divorced, they remained lifelong friends.

Odie was a very hard working and compassionate man, with a healthy sense of humor. He loved dogs, spending time outdoors and hunting and camping in the Wasatch Mountains. He was a lifelong fan of the Detroit Lions and Nascar racing. His grandchildren will cherish memories of his goofiness and the fun times he spent playing and riding bikes with them. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Odie is survived by his three children, Jackie Rojas of Salt Lake City, Jill Kennedy of Salt Lake City, and Odie Jr (Leslie) Kennedy of Eagle Mountain, ten wonderful grandchildren, and a great-grandchild expected in March 2022. Odie also leaves behind his three siblings, Bridgette (Kent) Bateman of Murray, Collette (Cory) Foster of Bountiful, and Joel (Robin) Kennedy of Santa Monica, CA and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Hugh Kennedy and Cherie Dawn Jackman Kennedy, and his grandson Aiden Goff.

A private service will be held at a later date.

# Comments

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“ Well, Odie! I was very sad to hear of your passing, as well as, a little envious! No more long cold nights, no more painful days spent just trying to get through it. Despite unfortunate circumstances, you were always very kind and concerned with how others were, you always had a kind word and a smile. I feel lucky to have known you and I hope you are now at peace! You will be missed. Rest with angels, my friend! Namaste. Til we meet again.

**Celeste** - January 16 at 03:09 PM



“ My Bodyguard. My Hero! Rest easy, Brother. I will always miss you!

**Joel** - January 23 at 11:03 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Odie Kennedy



**Jackie** - January 11 at 07:17 PM



“ Heather Conder lit a candle in memory of Odie J Kennedy



**Heather Conder** - January 11 at 05:15 PM