LIFE SKETCH

Merrill Raddon Barker died at home on September 8, 2022 surrounded by his family. He was a devoted husband and father, the best grandpa, a loyal friend, and someone who would fish with everyone.

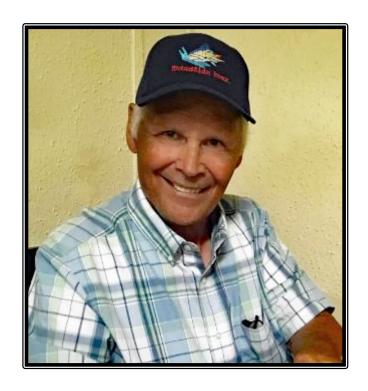
Merrill was born on August 6, 1942 in Pocatello, Idaho to Darrel Gessel Barker and Goldie Irene Barker. He graduated from Highland High School and attended Weber State University. He served an LDS mission to the Northwest States, which included Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. He married his best friend, Kathryn Belle Kunz, in the Salt Lake Temple on August 28, 1964. Merrill worked in the grocery business and managed real estate properties. These pursuits allowed him to enjoy his favorite pastime, which was play.

Merrill was a hard worker, but when the work was done, he found time to play. Merrill enjoyed boating, snowmobiling, motorhome trips, the cabin, and fishing. The family spent many hours together in these activities. Later in life, he and Kathryn traveled a great deal by themselves and with their family.

After Merrill retired from the grocery business, he found a way to fish as often as he could. Fly, lake, river, ice—it didn't matter, he was passionate about all of them. He was a master fisherman, and his grandkids were certain he knew how to "cheat" at catching fish.

His commitment to his family was a great blessing to them. Merrill was devoted to Kathryn and they loved spending time together. He loved his kids and grandkids and would travel great distances to support them in their activities.

He is survived by his loving wife, Kathryn, his daughters, Whitney Haselden (Kirk), Stephanie Snuffer (Denver), and his son, Gregory Raddon Barker (Tanna), his twin sister, Merrilee (Terry) Whyte, and sister, Debbie (Todd) Neilson. There are 17 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and many friends who will miss his loyalty, his laugh, and his wry sense of humor. He was preceded in death by his father, Darrel and his mother, Goldie.



In Loving Memory

MERRILL RADDON BARKER

 $1942 \sim 2022$

MERRILL RADDON BARKER

Born

August 6, 1942 Pocatello, Idaho

Died

September 8, 2022 Sandy, Utah

Darrel Gessel Baker and Goldie Raddon Barker

Husband of

Kathryn Belle Kunz

FUNERAL SERVICES

Monday, September 12, 2022~12:00 noon The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 1834 East Creek Road Sandy, Utah

PALLBEARERS

Matt Dill Benjamin Snuffer Regan Snuffer Daniel Reich

Raddon Barker Lindsay Pomeroy Jameson Reich Savanna Olsen

Maddy Barker Carson Snuffer Brandon Reich

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Austin Reich Kalisa Snuffer Sebastian Pomerou Aubreu Reich Lara Snuffer

Christopher Park Josh Cutler Zach Olsen Annie Wiesenberg Amy Kraft

Kylee Park Taylor Cutler Ellie Reich Nathan Snuffer Jason Kraft

SERVICES

Bishop Hoskins, Conducting

.....Debbie Youngberg Chorister.... Organist/Pianist_____Sandra Ball Opening Hymn..... "Because I Have Been Given Much

......Kirk Haselden (son-in-law) Invocation.. Poem.....Greg Barker (son) Remarks. Remarks...Stephanie Snuffer (daughter)Whitney Haselden (daughter) Remarks..... Musical Selection......Ross Boothe (ward member)

"ILove You Because" by Jim Reeves

Memories of Grandpa.....The Grandkids Scott Harries (nephew) Speaker..... Daniel Reich (grandson) Musical Number ...

"Bring Him Home" (Les <mark>Misérables)</mark>

Closing Remarks Bishop Hoskins
Closing Hymn #165

Benediction. ...Denver Snuffer (son-in-law)

...Calvin Kunz (brother-in-law) Dedication of the Grave

INTERMENT

Larkin Sunset Gardens 1950 East Dimple Dell Road Sandy, Utah