

## Long Hard Road

– Tallon Olsen

It was a long hard road to follow,  
and I just kept falling down.

Every painful step,  
made me stumble to the ground.

As I lay defeated,  
I noticed there were others on the road with  
me.

An impoverished boy with no shoes  
and a woman who could not see.

I knew their road was harder for them,  
than my road was for me.

Their courage gave me renewed strength so,  
I struggled from bended knee.

A few more steps and again my pain,  
would throw me to the floor.

My long hard road was just too rough.  
I thought I could take no more.

I laid there discouraged on my road,  
as two others came up to me.

The woman and boy, they just wouldn't stop.  
How could such inner strength be?  
I was compelled to follow, to find my will,  
to pull something from deep inside me.

So once more I struggled to lift myself up,  
and arose from bended knee.

It was a long hard road for all of us,  
and as we neared the top,  
something inside of me, they had inspired,  
I knew that I wouldn't stop.

They seemed to ease my road somewhat,  
as I followed them to the end.

I lost sight of them for only a moment,  
as they rounded the bend.

As I came to join them, I saw it,  
but how, how could it be?

A well-dressed young man in fine leather  
shoes,  
and a woman whose soul could see.

Again, I fell to the ground,  
but this time from unworthy shame.

My father in heaven had blessed me,  
and now I was no longer lame.

Father I do not deserve this.  
My heart is about to explode.  
It was the woman and boy that had saved me.  
I only added to their load.

They never left my laying there,  
their strength has brought me home.

Although I often stumbled and fell,  
I never was alone.

Arise my father told me,  
for it is you who does not see.

This woman and boy have testified,  
it was you who brought them too me.

It is a long hard road my son,  
And many times, they could bear no more.

But every time they lost their will,  
they watched you arise from the floor.

## IN LOVING MEMORY



VON TALLON  
OLSEN  
1962 ~ 2021



BRANDON LEE  
ALLSOP  
1983 ~ 2021

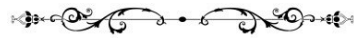
# VON TALLON OLSEN

Born: May 14, 1962 ~ Salt Lake City, Utah  
Died: August 9, 2021 ~ American Fork, Utah

Son of Rebecca Ann Tallon Dixon and Von Roy Olsen

Life Partner of Tammy Lee Sholes

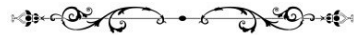
Husband of Alyson Ann Powell Peterson  
(Deceased ~ June 19, 2015)



# BRANDON LEE ALLSOP

Born: July 12, 1983 ~ Salt Lake City, Utah  
Died: July 5, 2021 ~ Murray, Utah

Son of Von Tallon Olsen and Jude Rae Smith Allsop



## FUNERAL SERVICES

Thursday, August 19, 2021 ~ 2:00 p.m.  
Larkin Sunset Lawn Chapel  
2350 East 1300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah

## PALLBEARERS

Chris Miller	Derik Tallon Olsen
Gavin Crossley	Jared Heth
Kade Mason Sutton	Monique Rose Smith
Shaun Heth	

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Braxtyn Lee Groesbeck	Rylee Rae Groesbeck
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## SERVICES

Family Prayer ..... Richard Dixon

Prelude Music.....Red Streaking Into Water,  
Dreamer’s Chant, Red-Tailed Hawks,  
Coyote Rainbows, Amazing Grace

Opening Remarks ..... Cindy Cook

Opening Prayer.....Steve Dixon

Musical Number.....Marine Corps Hymn

Life Tribute for Tallon ..... Cindy Cook

Musical Number.....In the Arms of an Angel

Life Tribute for Brandon .....Becky Harris

Musical Number.....Tears in Heaven

Tributes..... Family and Friends to Share  
their Thoughts and Stories

Closing Prayer .....Brent Dixon

Postlude Music .....Swing Low Sweet Chariot, I’ll Fly Away,  
Dancing with the Angels

Grave Dedication..... Mark Dixon



## INTERMENT

Larkin Sunset Lawn Cemetery  
Garden of Legacy