



Ivan Wayne Slatter

February 8, 2021

Ivan Wayne Slatter, 74, passed away on February 8, 2021 after battling brain cancer (glioblastoma) for a year. He was a native of Lewiston, Idaho, a member of Nansmond River Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Ivan was the oldest of seven children. He graduated from Nez Perce High School, Idaho in 1965. He was a sergeant in the Air Force and served from 1965 to 1971. He served as a Load Master on a C-130 in Vietnam.

Ivan was married to Linda Thompson, and they had six children, two of which died at birth. They later divorced. He married his second wife, Patricia Emsley Schaeffer and they had four children. Patricia passed away in 1992, and in 1995 Ivan married Rebecca Brown Slatter. They have one daughter.

Ivan was a Jack-of-all-trades. He taught himself welding, owned a tree service business for several years, and then went back to work as a welder for BMF, where he also taught welding.

Ivan could do what others would say was impossible. His motto was “Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt those who are doing it”.

He is survived by his wife, Becky; nine children, Gerrit Slatter, James Schaeffer, Hardy Slatter, Tova Slatter (Bouton), Mark Schaeffer, Max Slatter,

Jared Slatter, Katherine Slatter (Gerlach), and Sara Slatter; twenty-two grandchildren, Quinn, Gavin, Ava, Aliana, Ella, Rex, Wyatt, Miley, Graham, Jackson, Dawson, Alyssa, Landon, Lincoln, Sadie, Landon, Levi, Luke, Jayden, Kayleigh, Kashton, Emsley, and Bentley (the dog) 4 sisters and 2 brothers, Bonnie Slatter (Toll), Shirley Slatter (Watson), Wanda Slatter (Diamond), Gene Slatter, Susan Slatter and Lesley Slatter.

Ivan is greatly loved and will be missed.

In lieu of flowers please donate to glioblastomafoundation.org.

A funeral service with Military Honors will be held at his church The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 4759 Bennetts Pasture Rd, Suffolk, VA on Saturday Feb. 20th at 12 noon. Burial will be private at the Albert G. Horton Veteran Cemetery in Suffolk, VA.

Cemetery Details

Albert G. Horton Veteran Cemetery

5310 Milners Road
Suffolk, VA 23434

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Val Godwin lit a candle in memory of Ivan Wayne Slatter*



Val Godwin - February 22, 2021 at 06:20 AM

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“ *We have a lot of memories of Ivan, my brother-in-law, the one that stands out the most is when he put his beehives at our house one year in the field. My children at the time thought it was pretty cool to see how it all works. One day Ivan was extracting honey from the hives and showed the kids he could eat a bee alive, said it was good for you! They couldn't believe that he did that! Our deepest sympathies to all his family. Ivan had a very good heart! ❤️*



Annie Kolenda - February 19, 2021 at 12:44 PM

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“ *Linda Coltes lit a candle in memory of Ivan Wayne Slatter*



Linda Coltes - February 18, 2021 at 03:26 PM

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Prayers and well wishes to the family 🙏, and most especially to my children, Gerrit, (Ander, Nolan-deceased twins), Hardy, Tova, and Max. May each of you (my children) and all of the family members know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers. May you also know that you will see your dad again and he will be healthy and strong, just as you knew him in mortality. Ivan, may you rest in peace. Sincerely, Linda and Ron

Linda Coltes - February 18, 2021 at 03:38 PM

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“*Ivan was my best friend at work and a great friend outside of work despite our 35 year age difference. They don't make many men like him. I am very happy I had the great pleasure to know him for 5 years. He did what others couldn't. He will always be the welding legend at Bay Metals & Fabrication and surely be missed by many.*



Steve A. Lehmann - February 17, 2021 at 02:13 PM