## James Frank Hatch Brown

July 6, 1938 - July 23, 2021

James Frank Hatch Brown, "Frank", peacefully passed away at home on July 23rd, 2021 at the age of 83 due to kidney failure.

Frank was born on July 6th, 1938 to Delilah Hatch Brown and Frank H. Brown in Lovell, WY. He loved everything about growing up in the Big Horn Basin and often serenaded us with the Wyoming state song. After finishing his education in Lovell, he graduated with his undergraduate and MBA from Brigham Young University. Frank served a full time mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in the East Central States where his Father was mission president. He treasured this time spent with his parents and the associations he formed.

Frank married Jo Katona on December 18, 1968 in the Salt Lake Temple. They enjoyed many years in Fairbanks, Alaska were he worked as the Personnel Director for the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. They welcomed two daughters and their small family enjoyed many excursions into the interior of Alaska.

In 1976, Frank began his job in Ames, Iowa as the Director of Personnel at Iowa State University. It was in Ames that their two sons were born. Frank and Jo always counted themselves lucky to have raised their family in the heartland, surrounded by so many great people for 22 years. In 1997 Frank and Jo moved to Logan, Utah where Frank worked for Utah State University until retirement.

He was a patient and kind father and husband. A dedicated family man and follower of Christ. We always knew that we were loved and he showed that unconditionally. He served in many capacities in his community and church and was respected and admired by so many. He was a lifelong Boy Scout and supporter. Frank was honored to have received the Silver Beaver award for a lifetime of scouting.

Forever a Wyoming boy, he loved traveling to Yellowstone and the Teton's. In his later years, Frank enjoyed their weekly drives to Tony Grove and Bear Lake to admire the scenery and get a raspberry shake.

Through all our wonderful memories what stands out and what we will miss most is his gentle patient soul and his heartwarming smile that he shared so freely.

Frank is survived by his wife, Jo, children Holly (Barry) Bowen, Tasha (Ben) Wasden, Quinn (Megan) Brown and Zachary (Bobbi) Brown. His sister Suzanne Anderson and his 12 grandchildren, Britton, Audrey, Blair, Jonah, Sophia, Addison, Sienna, Ava, Lyla, Olivia, Stella, Logan and many nieces and nephews.

## Have You Met My Dad?

Have you met my dad? He's better than most any have had.

You need to know my dad; he's calm, patient and kind. He's quiet, thoughtful and keeps us all in mind.

He has a great family of which he adores. For me, his example of how to treat others has opened many doors.

No matter what I have done, tired or feared. Smiling relentless support is how this good man is geared.

Although resting in bed now he can stretch out proud. He has and always will be smiling in every crowd.

Through the national anthem, parades, and firework shows. He teaches his love of this great country and shares what he knows.

My dad is awesome, giving, thoughtful and kind. A special breed of man nearly impossible to find.

As I learned early, he never spoke ill of anyone as far as I know. Rather this compassionate man can only see ones highs not their lows.

In life, sports, music and faith he is always in the stands. In a way teaching even the best players need the support of their best fans.

My dad never said it would be easy and there will be struggles indeed. He always points to his father's example not to follow but lead.

He smiles with his dimples so genuine and real. He truly cares about your day and really how you feel.

Still smiling even with the bad health card he was delt. A very special time we have all had around his bedside as we knelt.

Always concerned about others, their needs and how they feel. This spiritual giant's praying example shows there is no bad time to kneel.

> My dad has made it so abundantly clear He loves his Heavenly Father and knows he is near.

> Could I have done more? Was I a good enough Dad? He knocked it out of the park, no time to be sad.

My dad has a great family that will always be with him now and then.
As a dad, husband, grandpa and friend.

My dad looking forward has nothing to fear, With a little Kentucky twang he repeats, "ya'll be sweet now ya hear!"

Have you met my dad? A friend, a counselor and it makes me sad

Because...

I just wish all could have what I have had....
To have always had the perfect dad.

-Z.Brown

## James (Frank)Brown

How we love that sound! You are a beautiful man indeed. You shared your light with me. The smiles, laughter, and love last, When we reflect on our past. You are climbing a higher hill Where you can look down on us still. Husband, Father, Grandpa, and Friend, Our love for you will never end. As you travel up the next hill, Running and singing, "what a thrill!" You will meet loved ones over there. Love and goodness to them you'll share. When you look down, say a prayer For all of us, for whom you care♥ Love: Fred Sellick

## **Appreciation**

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their heartfelt thanks and gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service.



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