



## Robert John Shumway

March 4, 1969 - March 4, 2016

Robert John Shumway returned home to his Heavenly Father on Friday, March 4, 2016. At the time of his death he was serving as the Bishop of the Pointe Meadows 2nd Ward in Lehi, Utah. He was born March 4, 1969 in Salt Lake City, Utah to John A. and Connie Gardiner Shumway. He graduated from Duchesne High School in 1987. Rob served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Taejon, Korea. He married the love of his life, Fredia Van Tassell on December 14, 1990. They are blessed with five beautiful children: Braiden Robert (23), Allison (Tanner) Eastmond, Jansen Garl (17), Treyton Payne (15), Abigail (13). Rob graduated from the University of Utah School of Pharmacy. He worked for the last twenty years as a pharmacist for Smith's Food & Drug. He enjoyed everything outdoors: hiking, camping, and boating. He lived for his family and his faith. His kindness and goodness were felt by all.

He is survived by his wife and children, parents, four sisters: Launa (Chris) Millecam, Jonelle, Kristi (Bodie) Taylor, Veronica (TJ) Morton, and by his grandmother, Jean Smith.

He is preceded in death by his brother Jason, his grandparents Charlie and Helen Shumway, Garl Gardiner, and Don Smith.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. A viewing will be held on Monday, March 7, 2016 from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m., and Tuesday, March 8, 2016 before the funeral from 10:00 to 10:45. All services will be held at the Lehi Gateway Stake Center located at 2150 Pointe Meadow Drive, Lehi, Utah.

# Cemetery

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**Lehi City Cemetery**  
1525 North 600 East  
Lehi, UT, 84043

# Events

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**MAR** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Lehi Gateway Stake Center  
2150 Pointe Meadow Drive, Lehi, UT, US

**MAR** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Lehi Gateway Stake Center  
2150 Pointe Meadow Drive, Lehi, UT, US

# Comments

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“ Bishop Shumway was the Bishop of my son's Ward, and my son and his family loved and appreciated him very much. He was always gracious and welcoming to us, even before he became their Bishop. He will be missed, but we are grateful for the plan of salvation and the knowledge that he will be reunited with his family and loved ones! Best to his wife and children, and to all who knew him.

Don & Laura Imbler

Donald Imbler - March 24, 2016 at 07:38 PM

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“ Rob was always nice to me and everyone else he served. I don't even remember him being less than a man of character and integrity. He was a brilliant man who wanted the best for everyone. Thank you Rob, for your example and goodness. You will be missed.

May you rest in peace until the Savior's Second Coming. Best wishes, Lori Manning

Lori Manning - March 21, 2016 at 05:12 PM

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“ My wife and I have known Rob as a Pharmacist Friend for about 15 years. He's one of those special guys who always lifts up our day when we cross paths. Thank you, Rob. We'll miss you.  
The Prices

Colin Price - March 14, 2016 at 09:52 AM

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“ With love, The Kay Family (Marcie Moore) purchased the California Healthy for the family of Robert John Shumway.



With love, The Kay Family (Marcie Moore) - March 09, 2016 at 12:33 AM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert John Shumway.



March 07, 2016 at 04:43 PM

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“ Fredia and family, John & Connie and family, Boyd & Pat and family. We wish to express our deepest sympathy for the loss of your Husband, Father, Son and Son-in-law. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time of sorrow and in the days to come.

We have enjoyed our association and friendship with all of you throughout the years. May the Holy Spirit bring you peace and comfort.

Love, Ron, Jeanne Tollefson and family.

**Ronald Tollefson** - March 07, 2016 at 03:23 PM

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“ Today my best friend, my confidant, my professional colleague, my spiritual exemplar, was called home to our Heavenly Father. Nothing can prepare you for that phone call you receive when you learn that your best friend has passed away. No words can express the emotions that I have felt today. I had no idea the gamut of emotions that was possible to feel over the course of one day.

My best friend was diagnosed with liver cancer two weeks ago. Today his body succumbed to the disease that ravaged his temporal state. In the many conversations that ensued in person and over the phone the last two weeks he ensured me that he was at peace. He wasn't afraid to die. He had no regrets. He expressed his love and gratitude for his family, for the gospel and for the plan of salvation. He expressed his gratitude for our friendship and his love for me. He assured me that our reunion will be a sweet reunion indeed. We cried together. We laughed together. We hugged. We reminisced about the good times, and the bad times. Precious moments shared between two unlikely friends. Precious moments that I will cherish for the rest of my life.

I can't begin to express how grateful I am to have known this wonderful man. I will be forever grateful for our friendship. I will be forever grateful for the example that he has been in my life. Grateful for his unconditional love. I know that he never once condemned me for my actions or the bad decisions I made in my life. He never once judged me.

Forever the Lords servant, he lived the first and great commandment. He loved the Lord with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his mind. He lived the second likewise, he loved his neighbor as himself. I was my friends "neighbor". He loved me as he would a brother.

Always the scriptionist, he would teach using the scriptures. More importantly, he taught the scriptures by example. An endearing and lasting image I will always have is the one I have etched into my mind of him studying the scriptures in his car as I arrive for work. The faith that you possess. I would compare it to an orchard of mustard trees.

Rob, my friend, I will miss you. I will miss your unconditional love. I will miss your wit and humor. I will miss your smile. I will miss your words of encouragement. I will miss your professional advice. I will miss our "man date Mondays" at Bam Bams. I will miss the "crews" with extra bacon from Gandolpho's on Thursday mornings. (I don't think bacon will ever taste the same without you). I will miss the practical jokes that we played on each other (man we had some good ones). I will miss your advice. I will miss those atrocious "U"s that you marked on open stock bottles. I will miss you being on the left of me day after day, week after week, year after year. I totally lost it two weeks ago when I looked over and the realization hit me that I would never see you again occupying that spot. I cried for an hour straight.

Who would have thought that two strangers, who met at Disneyland of all places, would one day become best friends.

Rob, I will miss the great example that you have been to me. An example in so many ways in my life. You have been such a great example in my professional career. You have been such a great example in my personal life. And most of all Rob, you have been the greatest example in how to serve and love the Lord. I will be forever indebted to you my friend. My hope is to be half the man that you are someday. I will miss everything about you.

Thank you for the laughs. Thank you for the memories. Thank you for making me a better man. A better husband. A better father. Thank you for the advice. Thank you for the adventure. Thanks again for the unconditional love. Most of all Rob, Thank you for your friendship. I will cherish your friendship until the day we meet again.

I love you my friend.

Well done my good and faithful servant. Well done.

**Gene Smith** - March 07, 2016 at 03:00 PM

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“ Smith's Pharmacy Office purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert John Shumway.



**zelda shimada** - March 07, 2016 at 01:22 PM

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“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert John Shumway.



March 07, 2016 at 12:05 PM

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“ Sidreis Agla lit a candle in memory of Robert John Shumway



Sidreis Agla - March 07, 2016 at 11:06 AM

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“ His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

Doug Larson - March 07, 2016 at 09:36 AM

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“ Brother Shumway (Rob) was one of the kindness person I had the privilege to know. As a long time customer at the Pharmacy Rob always had a kind word to share and was a man that I had great respect for. He will be greatly missed by all who he served with both at work and in his service in his Church callings. May the blessings of the Atonement give his family comfort and peace knowing the eternal plane of happiness is there for all to share.

Blaine Harris - March 07, 2016 at 01:51 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert John Shumway.



March 06, 2016 at 06:52 PM

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“ I am so grateful to have known Rob as a Bishop and friend. He and his family are dear to my family and always will be. I have always been impressed by his thoughtfulness toward others and I could always feel his genuine concern for us. I learned so much from him and his example.

**Aubrey Gibson** - March 06, 2016 at 04:36 PM

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“ Rob was certainly a gift to this world. I will always remember him as a kind and tender soul. Thoughtful and honest. I've worked with Rob for many years, and have the privilege of working with Ali as well. My sincerest sympathy to the Shumway family. Rest in Paradise Rob, you made a difference.

**Chris Millett** - March 06, 2016 at 12:49 PM