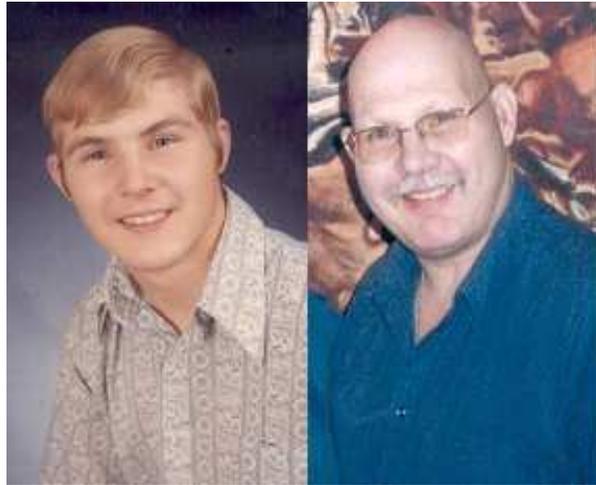


Richard Eugene Werling Sr.
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Richard Eugene Werling Sr. passed from this life into eternity in Salt Lake City Utah May 4, 2011. As a young man of 23, he beat brain cancer but for the past 10 years he has battled the late effects of the cancer treatments. He is now rejoicing with his Lord and Savior. He is no longer here, but can be found in the hearts of those who love him. Richard was born September 19, 1954 in Grand Junction, Colorado to Richard Allen & Gertrude Werling. He loved living on the farm on 25 Road as a child, and cherished the times of fishing and hunting with his family. He graduated from Fruita Monument High School in 1973, marrying the love of his life, and high school sweetheart Laura Wilkie. He was a graduate of Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, Pineville Kentucky in 1979, and ordained shortly thereafter. He continued in the ministry until his health declined. He felt blessed to live to see his children grow to adulthood. Richard worked as a farmhand, grocery clerk, landscaper, retail associate, and pastor. His humorous, caring, and loving manner endeared him to those he ministered to and worked with in Colorado, Kentucky and Maryland.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years Laura, children Richard Werling, Jr., Tanya (Alan) Capriotti, of Salt Lake; Matthew (Amy) Werling of Elkridge, Maryland, grandchildren Brandon, Nathan, Devin and Steven Capriotti; and Ashley and Jacob Werling. He is also survived by Sisters Hazel Bauman and Laura (Wayne) Smith, and Brother Gary Werling, of Grand Junction, Colorado. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the Goff Mortuary 8090 S. State St., Salt Lake City, Utah. A viewing for friends and family will be held one hour prior to services. Cremation to follow services, with interment and graveside memorial May 14, 2011 at Orchard Mesa Cemetery, in Grand Junction, Colorado. H block, hillside.