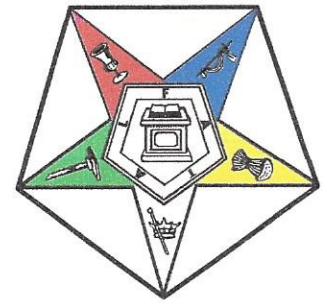




**Grand Chapter of Utah
Order of the Eastern Star**



Jerry W. Runnels
Worthy Grand Patron 2012-2013

Grand Chapter of Utah reports the passing of Past Grand Patron, Jerry W. Runnels from Roosevelt, Utah. He passed away on November 3, 2020 at the Uintah Basin Medical Center.

Jerry was born on September 6, 1950 in Hobbs, New Mexico to Thurman Thomas and Margaret Ann Biles Runnels. He married Becky Dow Toone and they later divorced. He married Jerri Lee Roberts on April 11, 1992 in Elko, Nevada. She passed on September 28, 2016.

Jerry was known by many people and enjoyed visiting with friends. He was a Freemason, a Shriner and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Duveromy Chapter #17 in Vernal, Utah. He served as Worthy Patron several times and was elected to the Grand Chapter Line, became Worthy Grand Patron in 2012-2013 with Patricia R. Kay as Worthy Grand Matron.

Jerry was very involved in these organizations and wasn't afraid to speak in public. He also gave the best pep talks to his family when they needed them.

Jerry is survived by his companion Linda Adams; children Jon (Michelle) Runnels, Lisa (Richard) Torres, Jason (Jodie) Runnels, Carol (Mike) Leighton, Jenifer Alexander, Roy (CJ) Alexander, Cory Alexander and Naomi (Brian) Hyde; 22 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; siblings Tommy, Larry, Donny Runnels and Nita Kaiser. He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Jerri Lee and ex-wife Becky.

Grand Chapter of Utah extends our sincere sympathy to his family and friends of Duveromy Chapter #17. As a tribute to him it is requested that the Altar of each Chapter be draped for a period of 30 days and a prayer offered in his memory

P. Alexandria Poglajen
Worthy Grand Matron

David J. Read
Worthy Grand Patron

Karen B. Pullman
Grand Secretary