Michael W. Johnson Will Be Missed HYRUM-

Michael W. Johnson, 54, lived his life with zest and optimism, never failing to find the best in everyone and any situation. He had many passions and accomplishments. Mike was the director of the Utah State History Fair, a local historian, and accomplished author who worked at the Jensen Historical Farm, Festival of the American West, and the Golden Spike National Monument. Mike took great pride in both helping children learn the research process and developing a love of history. He loved the outdoors, especially rafting and canoeing Western rivers. He had a special love for steam locomotives and the narrow gauge legends of the West. Mike and his wife, Suzanne, hiked and biked many of the old railroad grades and always included a train ride on their vacations. Mike passed peacefully after battling melanoma cancer for several years, with the support of his wife, Suzanne; mother, Eloise; brother, Peter; family and many friends. In lieu of flowers, drink a toast to Mike.

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