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Sen. Mark Nye has passed away

Beloved husband, father, grandfather, mentor and state senator, Mark Nye, has passed away.

He was 76 years old.

Rep. James Ruchti says his passing has been difficult to process.

"Mark was an essential part of this community for so many years," He said. "Mark was a respected attorney, a huge supporter of ISU and loved by the community. I think the thing I most respected about Mark was that he was kind to people. From the janitor to the CEO, he treated people with respect."

Raised in Pocatello, Nye earned a Bachelor's degree from Harvard and a law degree from the University of Idaho.

In 2014, Nye was elected to the Idaho House of Representatives and two years later he was elected to the Senate, replacing Sen. Roy Lacey who retired. Earlier this year, Nye announced he would not run for reelection.

Rep. Ruchti is running to replace his mentor in the Idaho Senate.

"Mark will be missed," Ruchti said. "The community won't be the same without him."

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