



Steven Lautensleger

September 25, 1950 - June 1, 2024

Steven Wayne "Steve" Lautensleger was born on September 25, 1950, and passed away peacefully at his home on June 1, 2024. He was born to Marie (Huckins) Lautensleger and Donald Lautensleger. He married Carol Kohl on February 17, 1973.

Steve was born in Brewster, WA, and lived with his family in Pateros, WA, until his family relocated to Brewster, WA. He graduated from Brewster High School in 1969, then went to Wenatchee Valley College, where he earned his x-ray technician degree and where he met his wife, Carol. After graduation, Steve and Carol moved to Seattle, WA, where he worked at Northgate Hospital and Virginia Mason.

In 1979, they moved back to Brewster to help run the family orchards. This ended up being one of his passions in life. He ran 70 acres of orchard and took great pride in the quality of fruit he produced. He was active in his community and served on several boards involved in the fruit and warehouse industry.

Steve was preceded in death by his parents, Marie Lautensleger and Don Lautensleger; and his grandmother, Harriet Huckins. Steve is survived by his wife, Carol, his daughter, Angie (Jason) Satterfield, son, Russ Lautensleger, his two grandsons Oliver and Lucas Satterfield along with many other family and friends.

The family would like to thank hospice, palliative care, and Confluence Health Infusion Center for providing wonderful care to Steve during his end stages of cancer.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society because cancer sucks.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Jones & Jones- Betts at 2:00 pm on Friday, June 14, 2024, with a reception at the Cashmere Legion Hall Post 64, 401 Sunset Hwy, Cashmere, WA, to follow.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

JUN 14. 2:00 PM (PT)

Jones & Jones ~ Betts Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - June 12, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ Satterfields lit a candle in memory of Steven Lautensleger



Satterfields - June 12, 2024 at 02:55 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *1968*



Tim - June 08, 2024 at 05:37 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear the news of Steve's passing. We were good friends as techs at Virginia Mason sharing many fun times there. When he and Carol left for Methow we followed for a few summers to join the pig roasts. Steve and Carol were always welcoming and loving people and I'm sure Angie and Russ are too with parents like that.

Loving, comforting thoughts to you all. I'll always think of him in his white Stetson!

Karen Flanagan

Karen Flanagan - June 08, 2024 at 01:44 AM

PD

“ So sorry to hear of Steve's passing. I have so many fond memories of him growing up. From his gentle heart and hardy laugh to his strong family devotion. Hugs to all - may all your wonderful memories guide you as you go forward.

Love, Pam and Dean

Pam & Dean - June 06, 2024 at 04:17 PM

CS

“ Steve was wonderful person and a devoted family man. Him and Carol helped me out in my orchard when I needed something. He will truly be missed by me. I call him a true friend. Rest in peace my friend.

Carol shenyer - June 06, 2024 at 12:40 PM

TS

“ I first met Steve I guess sometime in middle school age 1960's. His house was directly across the street from my cousins, (the Wagg's) in old Pateros. And soon thereafter our families all became camping buddies. Many weekends were spent roaming the campgrounds of the Methow Valley well into the early 70's. It's interesting how I can remember even the names of his dogs. Sweetie and Thing the 2 basset hounds. A great memory was when the Lautensleger's got a color TV. It was a big deal. They shared it with our circle of friends. It was the neatest thing to see *The Wonderful World of Disney* and *Bonanza* in "Living Color". Steve was kind, never a bully and stood up for the younger kids, and I thank him for that.

Tom Sampson - June 05, 2024 at 07:49 PM

TS

“ *Tom Sampson lit a candle in memory of Steven Lautensleger*



Tom Sampson - June 05, 2024 at 07:40 PM

DA

“To the living, I am gone,
To the sorrowful, I will never return,
To the angry, I was cheated,
But to the happy, I am at peace,
And to the faithful, I have never left.
I cannot speak, but I can listen.
I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.
So as you stand upon a shore gazing at a beautiful sea,
As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity,
Remember me.
Remember me in your heart:
Your thoughts, and your memories,
Of the times we loved,
The times we cried,
The times we fought,
The times we laughed.
For if you always think of me, I will never have gone.”
~Margaret Mead

Danni - June 05, 2024 at 07:26 PM

CS

This saying says it all. He will truly be missed

Carol shenyer - June 06, 2024 at 12:25 PM

JC

Carol I am so sorry to hear of Steve's passing. I pray for comfort for you and your family during this difficult time.

Janice Campbell - June 11, 2024 at 11:11 PM

DA

“ 3 files added to the album *ALGODONES, MX*



Danni - June 05, 2024 at 07:21 PM

DA

“ 1 file added to the album *YUMA*



Danni - June 05, 2024 at 07:19 PM



“ *Rest in Peace my dear friend. I will cherish my memories of you forever.*

Bill Word Jr. - June 05, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ *Bill Word Jr. lit a candle in memory of Steven Lautensleger*



Bill Word Jr. - June 05, 2024 at 04:47 PM



“ Rex Harmon lit a candle in memory of Steven Lautensleger



Rex Harmon - June 05, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ “Do you know Steve Lautensleger?” I was asked this question hundreds of times over the years but I only actually met him once. He was 4 years older so I kind of followed him through life. I first recall seeing him when, as a tenacious linebacker, he lined up across from me in a football game. When I enrolled in the rad tech program at WVC it seemed everyone wanted to let me know that I came from the same area as their favorite graduate. Ditto when I took my first x-ray job at Northgate Hospital in Seattle. When Steve came back home to farm we had lots of mutual acquaintances through the Harmon family orchards that were operating at the time. “Do you know Steve Lautensleger? He was an x-ray tech in Seattle you know.” I met him one time at a gathering of WVC RT grads. What a great guy! He was there with wife Carol and young kids. Since then I’ve often thought that it would be great to get together some time for a cup of coffee. To share our many common life experiences that somehow happened in parallel without crossing tracks. Now he is gone! Without ever really knowing him I still feel a sense of mourning for all the mutual friends who spontaneously gushed their affection and admiration for Steve to this stranger, and probably many others when someone invoked a memory of him. What a testament to a life well lived! God bless.

Rex Harmon - June 05, 2024 at 12:38 PM