



Steve Krueger

May 14, 1948 - August 11, 2018

Steven L. Krueger, age 70, of Gobles, passed away Saturday, August 11, 2018 at his home. Steve was born May 14, 1948 in Allegan, the son of Merton and Eula (Wall) Krueger. He was raised in Bloomingdale by Eula and Ed Dayton, with 2 brothers and one sister. He served as a Sergeant with the US Army 173rd Airborne during the Vietnam War. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Steve owned Fritz & Krueger Insurance Agency, was mayor of Gobles, and a Mason with the Bloomingdale lodge. He loved golfing, fishing, sports, and antique collecting. He enjoyed food and travel. Surviving are his wife, Linda, whom he married June 5, 1971; 2 daughters, Amber (Terrence) McCarthy of Grand Rapids, Autumn (Gary Walter) Krueger of New Lenox, IL; 5 grandchildren, Hudson, Carson, Olive, Beckett, and one on the way. Visitation for family and friends will be Friday, August 17, 11AM - 1PM at the Bloomingdale Christian Church, 208 E. Pine Street; Bloomingdale, MI, where the memorial service will be 1:00 PM with Pastor Gary Napp officiating. The family suggests memorials be made to: Gigi's Playhouse Tinley Park, Down Syndrome Achievement Center, 16800 Oak Park Ave, Tinley Park, IL 60477, www.gigisplayhouse.org/tinleypark, 708-597-PLAY (7529). Memoriam Name: Steve Krueger. Arrangements entrusted to the Gobles Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bloomington Christian Church
208 E. Pine
Bloomington, MI

Memorial Service

AUG 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DD

“ Just finding out about the loss of Steve. What a shock. He was going to be part of the 70th Birthday party for classmates in September. He will be missed by all who knew him. Steve was a friendly guy and although we only met in high school he was a presence even then in the halls, classrooms, basketball court and football field. We girls called Gary the wolf and Steve the gentleman. My heart goes out to Linda and Autumn and to his twin, Gary, and family.

Diane Denison - August 17, 2018 at 10:42 PM

PS

“ Dear Linda, Amber and Autumn,

We are truly sorry for your loss. We knew Steve for his good nature, work ethic, golfing ability and many other famous and legendary feats too numerous to list! But what we will always remember about Steve is his genuine love and pride for his family. Whenever we stopped in the office he was eager and willing to share a story and pictures of the family. May your wonderful memories of a great husband, father and grandfather be a comfort to you.

Rick, Paula, Gray & Pierce

Paula Sipes - August 17, 2018 at 05:27 PM

LH

“ Steve has been our insurance guy for many years now. He was always so nice to speak with and we would often share a laugh over the phone about one of our houses. Thoughts and prayers with you Linda and your family.

Chicks Properties, LLC (Kerry and Lori)

Lori Hendershot - August 17, 2018 at 05:00 PM

RB

“ We are sorry Linda of Steve's passing. May God be with you and your family as Steve is now with the Lord. God bless 🙏

Rod & Margie Burris - August 17, 2018 at 04:13 PM

FB

“ From Connie & Alan Boom purchased the Grande Gourmet Fruit Basket for the family of Steve Krueger.



From Connie & Alan Boom - August 17, 2018 at 01:26 PM

PT

“ Sorry to hear about Steve's passing. Treasure your memories. Hugs to all.

Pam Buis Tibbitts - August 17, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ Sending love and prayers of comfort to Linda and the family. RIP Steve



Lynn Ashbrook - August 17, 2018 at 09:48 AM



“ Forever love to my Uncle Steve. So glad I've been able to re-connect and visit with all of you, Aunt Linda, Amber & Autumn, on my recent trips back to the U.S. Sorry I cannot be there, but hugs to all of your family and also to my Uncle Gary, who has lost both his little brothers. ~ Inger

Inger - August 17, 2018 at 08:43 AM



“ It was such a pleasure being Steve's sister in law. He was the BEST brother to Bone and the BEST brother in law to me! I will miss your smile and your phone call. "Hi...it's me, how are you doing?"... Bone and I will miss your quick wit and humor. Rest In Peace.. Love you Bone and Rhonda

Rhonda & Gary Krueger - August 16, 2018 at 01:30 PM



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D. L. Miller Funeral Home - August 16, 2018 at 12:16 PM

CF

“ *CR Infutor family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Steve Krueger.*



CR Infutor family - August 16, 2018 at 12:13 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 16, 2018 at 12:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 16, 2018 at 11:43 AM



“ *Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 16, 2018 at 10:17 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 16, 2018 at 09:25 AM



“ *Dear Amber, I am sending so many prayers, strength and love to you and the entire Krueger family. How blessed you all are to have had a such a great father, husband, grandfather and Friend. 💕
Love, Michelle S.*

michelle - August 16, 2018 at 08:29 AM



“ *Jeff and Sheila Beard purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Steve Krueger.*



Jeff and Sheila Beard - August 16, 2018 at 07:43 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 15, 2018 at 09:16 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 15, 2018 at 09:13 PM



“ *Thank you Linda, Amber, and Autumn for hosting such a nice 70th birthday celebration party for Steve/Dad. Claudia and I felt so privileged to be able to attend along with several other school classmates as we reminisced about the "good old days" and shared many new and old stories. My favorites included Steve telling us about lost and found dog tags and how the "Wart Lives" slogan began. Upon arriving, it was so much fun watching him look at us as we walked up the long driveway trying to figure out who we were and then he exclaimed "Newcomb, is that you?" I really appreciate the close friendship we had throughout our growing up years. Unfortunately, we drifted apart due to physical distance, raising kids, busy lives, etc. Then, it was such a special treat to reconnect at our 50 year high school reunion and then again at Steve's recent birthday bash. Steve was a very special friend. Our prayers are with all of you and the entire family during these days and upcoming months.*

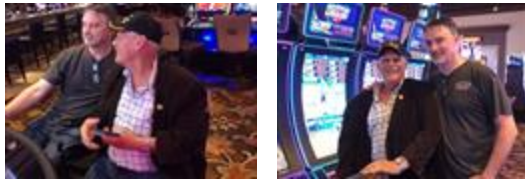
Alan Newcomb

Alan Newcomb - August 15, 2018 at 07:00 PM

LS

“ Friday I will say, see you later to you Steve. When we meet again you can tell me all your stories again, you know how you can't believe I never heard of you before because you were of course the mayor of Gobles. War hero in nam. Golf legend of Michigan and nobody can hit it as far as you can. That is until the next guy tees off, but of course he got lucky. How I am just about to your level and should thank you for all the bowling lessons you gave me. When you were my age you could hit a softball twice as far as me. The one liners would never stop. It was always a joy to be around The Legend Steve Krueger! Going to the casinos asking you about the treatments and if they hurt. You looking at me grabbing my arm and say, you do remember I was in nam right? Of course they don't hurt. Thanks for all the laughs over the years. I will cherish them all. Thoughts and prayers to Linda, Amber, Autumn and family. I will miss my friend! Thank you for your service in the U.S. Army. Until we meet again, rest easy my friend. As you would write on your texts/emails to me...your only friend, Big Steve!

Your only friend,
Larry



Larry Stob - August 15, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.



August 15, 2018 at 08:44 AM



“ I've known "Big Steve" since I was an 18 yr. old punk kid, he's taught me so many things over the years and will always be forever in my heart, mind and soul. Thank You to Linda, Amber and Autumn for sharing him with me for all these years. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in these times. "The Wart Lives" in Heaven. With much love, Todd and Gaby Van Dyke



Gaby Van Dyke - August 15, 2018 at 01:32 AM



“ Lynelle & Mike Buchanan, Buchanan Insurance Agency purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Steve Krueger.



Lynelle & Mike Buchanan, Buchanan Insurance Agency - August 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM



“ I played football with Steve at Bloomingdales High School. I remember his nickname was Wart....always had a smile on his face, a joy to be around. My thoughts & prayers are with Sally & Gary and of course his wife Linda & the family. God Bless y'all.
Ron Crosby

Carla Crosby - August 14, 2018 at 04:11 PM



Thank you Ron ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:20 PM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 14, 2018 at 12:53 PM



“ *The Standish Family, BJ, Rachael & Ryan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Steve Krueger.*



The Standish Family, BJ, Rachael & Ryan - August 14, 2018 at 12:24 PM



“ *Deb, Lou & Claud purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steve Krueger.*



Deb, Lou & Claud - August 14, 2018 at 12:06 PM



“ *RIP Steve Been many years since our paths crossed.*

Bob Nielsen - August 14, 2018 at 12:04 PM

BS

“ I met Steve in 1986 through a mutual business, I was immediately enamored with him. Steve had a sense of humor that anyone would get. We spent many evenings at my house drinking coffee and trading stories. Steve's stories were a lot more colorful than mine! You know, in high school he dribbled a basketball from Bloomingdale to Kalamazoo in a couple hours! Our friendship went on like this for a dozen years til I moved my family to Kentucky. I missed him the 20 years since this move. A Facebook connection restarted in 2015 and several phone calls later, I learned about his battle with illness, I decided to visit him back home in VanBuren County. We met again this spring and I was able to spend a little time with Linda and him. I wasn't with him 15 minutes, and I realized he was just the same as was in the 80's! I'm grateful for our friendship in this life and God willing, we'll spend more time together with the angels in Heaven.



BJ Standish - August 14, 2018 at 11:14 AM

AK

Thank you for your kind words BJ. We really appreciate it. ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:17 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.



August 14, 2018 at 10:53 AM

JC

“ Dear Linda and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Steve was such a great guy with a great smile. He will be missed but never forgotten. Hang on to your memories and your family.

Jan Crawford - August 14, 2018 at 08:49 AM

AK

Thank you Jan ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:18 PM

VG

“ Linda and family, I am very sorry for your loss. Please accept my condolences on behalf of the Harley and Orla Gay family. You are in my prayers for the Peace that passes all understanding to be with you in your grief. Victoria (Gay) LaCosse

Vickie Gay - August 13, 2018 at 10:51 PM

AK

Thank you Vickie ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:19 PM

VS

“ Vicky Norman Souza lit a candle in memory of Steve Krueger



Vicky Norman Souza - August 13, 2018 at 03:18 PM

AK



Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 13, 2018 at 03:13 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Steve Krueger.*



August 13, 2018 at 02:09 PM



“ *To the Krueger Family - Linda, Amber and Autumn - I am so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful guy and I very much enjoyed working for him and Linda at the agency many years ago. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*
Kim Wetherill

Kim Wetherill - August 13, 2018 at 10:05 AM



Thank you Kim ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:21 PM

KO

“ *To the Krueger Family,
So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Steve was a wonderful guy and was always so nice in the Insurance Office. He will be missed.*

Kim & Jeff Otten - August 13, 2018 at 09:55 AM

AK

Thank you Kim and Jeff ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 13, 2018 at 08:59 PM

CB

Linda, Autumn, Amber and All, I am so sorry for the loss of that wonderful husband, dad and grandpa. Just remember all the loving things he did for you. I will never forget how he loved hunting for those "coke antiques". On time John and I were in another state and John came across a huge coke sign. He had to call Steve to see if he should buy it. What fun. Always remember his smile. May God grant each one of you peace and blessings. Carol and John Brill

Carol Brill - August 14, 2018 at 09:32 AM

AK

Ha... he probably said no but then wished he would have come across it himself😂 Thank you Mrs Brill for your kind words. ❤️

Autumn Krueger - August 14, 2018 at 11:23 PM

TM

I was happy to see Steve's smile at the 50th anniversary of our high school graduation. Sad as I am at his leaving us for now, I was pleased to see his smile again in the photo on this site.

Sincere condolences to family and friends of dear, departed Steve.

Tom Martinsen

Thomas Martinsen - August 21, 2018 at 12:36 AM