



Robert Stephen "Steve" McKown

June 14, 1938 - October 20, 2022

Robert Stephen "Steve" McKown, 84, of New Castle, passed away on the morning of Thursday, October 20, 2022, at home.

He was born on June 14, 1938, in New Castle, a son of the late Robert Earl and Thelma (Kendall) McKown.

Steve was a 1956 graduate of New Castle High School and attended Tri-State University in Angola. Following his freshman year of college, he returned home and became a Die Designer at Chrysler Corporation. Steve retired in 1991 but enjoyed consulting at Chrysler until 1994. Steve loved to play golf and fish. He enjoyed bowling when he was young. Steve and his companion, Pat, enjoyed wintering in Ruskin, Florida, where he loved to play shuffleboard and became an International Amateur Shuffleboard Player. Steve also loved to play poker and played in the World Series of Poker in Las Vegas, NV.

Those left to cherish Steve's memory include a son, Mike McKown of New Castle; two grandchildren, Addison McKown of Indianapolis and Blake McKown of New Castle; a sister, Beki McKown of Mt. Summit, and his companion of many years, Pat Cummings.

In addition to his parents, Steve was preceded in death by a daughter-in-law, Amy (Hembree) McKown, and an infant son, Robert Todd McKown.

Per Steve's wishes, he will be cremated and a celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be offered to the Henry County Community Foundation – Amy McKown Memorial Scholarship Fund by Clicking Here (https://henryccf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=1327).

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to care for the family of Robert Stephen "Steve" McKown.

Tribute Wall

AW

“ So sad to know Steve is gone. I always enjoyed working with him and admired his sense of humor. I still remember how he made barrels of Chex Mix for friends at Christmas. My heart goes out to his loved ones.

Amy Wyatt

Amelia Wyatt - October 26, 2022 at 07:16 PM

GC

“ Steve was my first mentor in the tool and die shop engineering department at Chrysler in New Castle. He was always a friend and helped me learn about the “real” world of engineering. He was a fellow Tri-State College fellow and was instrumental in my attending Tri-State 1964-1966. We shared many laughs and stories at work during my 3 years of co-opting at Chrysler Corporation.

His Sister Becky and I were in grade school together, and graduated in 1964 from CHS.

Steve was a patriot and I regret that he went home before seeing our nation renewed. My sympathy to Steve’s family and prayers for your grief.

It was a honor knowing you Steve, I’ll see you on the other side my friend.

Greg Conn

Greg Conn - October 23, 2022 at 09:50 AM

EH

“ I am so sorry to hear the sad news of Steve’s passing. My sincere condolences go out to his Family. Steve will certainly be missed by his many friends from near and far. Rest In Peace Steve! 🙏🙏🙏

Elsa Hemm - October 22, 2022 at 11:30 AM

JB

“ We were devastated to hear of the passing of our dear friend Steve. Condolences to Pat and Steve's family. He will be truly missed.

Jerry Bristol - October 21, 2022 at 04:51 PM

PP

What a loss! Steve was really a wonderful human being. Our condolences to Pat and his family. He will be truly missed by all his Hawaiian Isles friends, especially the shuffle board club.

PATRICIA PARTCH - October 21, 2022 at 06:21 PM