



Steven Charles Kopp

March 19, 1963 - July 9, 2019

Steven Charles Kopp, age 56 of Florissant, Missouri.

Steven Kopp, a master painter and life-long resident of Saint Louis Missouri, died of stage 4 Renal Cell Carcinoma on July 9, 2019 at approximately at 11:30 pm.

Steve is survived by his parents Richard Kopp Jr. and Joanie Kopp, loving brother to his siblings; Toni Kopp-Collins (Wayne), Geoff Kopp (Staci) and Michelle Kopp-Tritch (Mike). Dear uncle to Robert Heimann, Lauryn Heimann and Grayson Kopp. Dear nephew, cousin, best friend to Lucky Cat and friend to many.

Steve was born into this world on March 19, 1963 at Saint Joseph's Hospital and lived in Kirkwood Missouri. He was brought up by his loving father, Richard Kopp Jr. He was raised with his beloved sister Toni Kopp-Collins. Steve attended McNair Elementary School and graduated Hazelwood West High School in 1981. He lived in his beautiful brick ranch home in Florissant Missouri for 26 years. Steve left us here on earth on July 9, 2019 at Barnes Jewish Hospital approximately 11:30 pm and he was 56 years of age. Steve was diagnosed with stage 4 Renal Cell Carcinoma in November of 2018. He not only battled cancer but also was battling a series of complications since December after his kidney was removed. He fought for his life with courage, strength and bravery. He was a warrior to say the least.

Steve was a forever fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and St. Louis Blues. He loved attending a game with his family and friends any time he had the opportunity. He kept every ticket stub to every game he attended as his souvenir. When he was sick you would find him in his bed rooting for either the Cardinals or the Blues as he still watched every game. When the Blues were in the playoffs the excitement you were able to see in Steve's face radiated throughout the room! He was able to watch game 7 in comfort and cheered them on the entire way to the Stanley Cup.

Steve was a collector of experiences and memories. He thrived in the outdoors and cherished his excursions with family and friends. He loved being free on his 4-wheeler and camping underneath the starry sky. He sought out the simple pleasures of life by being one with nature and telling stories by the campfire. The two places he visited most and that were his favorite included: Land between the Lakes State Park in Kentucky and St. Joe State Park in Missouri. He also enjoyed taking long bike rides exploring state parks and the St. Louis area. Steve was very proud of his Missouri concealed permit to carry and took up range shooting as a hobby. He took it very seriously and was passionate for safety. Steve spent many weekends on the family farm with his grandfather, father and cousins hunting. These moments he held close to his heart.

Steve was a musician. He needed no sheet music; he played from his ear. He played the violin at an early age and learned to play the drums as an adult. He was also fond of the harmonica. One could get lost in his love for music and all the great bands he rocked out to during his time here on earth. He kept a scrapbook of ticket stubs from all the concerts he attended with a message for each ticket. He was known for wearing a K-She 95 t-shirt and that was his station of choice.

The steady hand he had to paint was amazing to watch. He painted with the

biggest smile on his face as it was his passion. Steve's biggest accomplishment was to start his own company, S&K Painting, in 2009. His lifelong goal was to have a career that he loved and when he talked about it you felt the enthusiasm and intensity in his voice for painting. He spoke numerous times while sick that he couldn't wait to beat cancer so he could get back to work, back to what he loved doing. During these last few months Steve never lost his zest for life nor the drive to get back to what he loved. The smile on his face was contagious and lasted until the last moments of his passing. He wanted nothing more than to get back to his home, his beast of a truck, to start painting again and start living life. He was nothing short of an inspiration to all of us with his positive attitude and lovable character.

Steve spent the last day of his life in the hospital surrounded by his family. He ate one of his favorite meals which consisted of pizza and of course cake with ice cream and strawberries (he loved his sweets). He was alert and able to share his last words, stories and appreciation to everyone he loved. He made sure we all laughed together one last time.

We will remember Steve as the outgoing, fun-loving, determined, spontaneous and carefree man he was in this world. He touched so many of our lives with that gleaming smile and positive attitude. He will be carried with us in our hearts for the rest of our journey. We will miss you Steve and we know you are looking down on us on that 4-wheeler in the sky.

Services:

The Memorial Service will be held at Archway Memorial Chapel on Thursday, July 18, 2019 from 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm. A Memorial Gathering intended for final thoughts and condolences will be shared from 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or charity of your choice would be appreciated.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 18. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Archway Memorial Chapel
111 Taylor Road
Hazelwood, MO 63042
(314) 895-3900
info@archwaychapel.com

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Tribute Wall

LH

“ Steve was our loving friend, camping buddy, and painter. We shared many wonderful Thanksgivings with him camping at St. Joe or Kentucky Lake, rain or snow. He had such a great outlook on life, and most of all he loved nature and animals. He struggled on with great strength through his illness. We will miss our Steve, but he will always be in our hearts, and we will always remember his love of life. Larry and Karen Heimrich

Larry and Karen Heimrich - July 18, 2019 at 11:58 AM

EL

“ Erin Lammert lit a candle in memory of Steven Charles Kopp



Erin Lammert - July 16, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Steven Charles Kopp.



July 16, 2019 at 10:46 AM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – Red was purchased for the family of Steven Charles Kopp.*



July 15, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jim Ham - July 15, 2019 at 10:47 AM



Thank you Jim! That's a great picture! ❤️

Toni Collins - July 15, 2019 at 04:22 PM



“ *I met Steve several times motorcycle riding and camping at St. Joe's with my father, Larry, and Karen. Steve was always a joy to be around. He will be greatly missed. Please accept my condolences. Steve's family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Matt - July 15, 2019 at 10:20 AM

TK

“ This picture fills my heart ❤️ Thanks Bro! I’m a little lost not seeing and talking to you everyday 💔



Toni Kopp-Collins - July 14, 2019 at 10:26 PM

JH

“ We lost touch over the last 15 years or so but I have known Steve since the 80’s and have some great memories with him. We saw lots of concerts together and talked music constantly. He was a good man and a good friend. Always there when you needed him. Rest In Peace brother.

Jim Ham - July 13, 2019 at 11:44 PM

KM

“ I was in steve wedding an haven't seen him for 35 years sorry to here this

Kieth maceranka - July 13, 2019 at 10:51 PM

BC

“ Bill Copeland lit a candle in memory of Steven Charles Kopp



Bill Copeland - July 13, 2019 at 06:52 PM

BC

“ So sorry to hear, I wish I would have known he was in the hospital, I would have visited him, he did always have a smile, he lived with me for a couple of years till he got on his feet, went to a lot of concerts with him and others, I too love camping and riding quads and did so with him on a lot of occasions, I also hunted down on the family farm, that's where I bought the warrior from him, so he could get his rapture, I moved away from St. Louis area down to Barnhart, that's when we slowly drifted apart, he will be missed
Bill Copeland

Bill Copeland - July 13, 2019 at 06:42 PM

BC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Bill Copeland - July 13, 2019 at 06:03 PM

KC

“ Karen Caulfield sent a virtual gift in memory of Steven Charles Kopp



Karen Caulfield - July 13, 2019 at 01:23 PM

AS

“ *Ann Caulfield - Schroeder sent a virtual gift in memory of Steven Charles Kopp*



Ann Caulfield - Schroeder - July 13, 2019 at 11:03 AM

KC

“ *Steve was such a kind and fun loving person. I have so many great memories of growing up with him. I am honored to have been his friend. He will truly be missed. R.I.P. Steve*

Karen Caulfield - July 13, 2019 at 12:10 AM

KC

“ *Karen Caulfield lit a candle in memory of Steven Charles Kopp*



Karen Caulfield - July 12, 2019 at 11:51 PM

AS

“ *What s beautiful tribute to Steve! I have such fond memories of Steve as we waited for the bus everyday together. I enjoyed all the times we hung out in Hazelwood. Always happy and spread that love and joy to everyone around him. I am truly grateful for our last visit. His courage and determination to fight was forefront. I am so lucky to have him as my friend and neighbor. My heart goes out to his family at this difficult time. Sending you so much love!*

Ann Caulfield - Schroeder - July 12, 2019 at 11:32 PM

AS

“ *Ann Caulfield - Schroeder lit a candle in memory of Steven Charles Kopp*



Ann Caulfield - Schroeder - July 12, 2019 at 11:21 PM

KM

“ *Kenneth McGhee sent a virtual gift in memory of Steven Charles Kopp*



Kenneth McGhee - July 12, 2019 at 09:56 PM

KM

“ *Kenneth McGhee lit a candle in memory of Steven Charles Kopp*



Kenneth McGhee - July 12, 2019 at 09:55 PM

AC

“ *I had the honor of being one of Steve's nurses, we became buddies pretty fast. I'll always be thankful for the privilege of meeting him and his family. God Bless. No more pain my friend.*

Annette Cox - July 12, 2019 at 07:12 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Steven Charles Kopp.*



July 12, 2019 at 05:29 PM



“ *Your Team - John, Christy, & Jen purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Steven Charles Kopp.*



Your Team - John, Christy, & Jen - July 12, 2019 at 02:26 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Toni Kopp-Collins - July 12, 2019 at 11:11 AM



“ *RIH Steve! You will be missed but never forgotten My Friend.*



Louis Erby Jr. - July 12, 2019 at 10:47 AM

AM

“ You are going to be missed so deeply by all of us in Waynesville, Illinois. We love you. Rest in heaven, Stevie.



Amanda - July 12, 2019 at 10:06 AM

GK

“ Love you brother!



Geoff Kopp - July 11, 2019 at 09:09 PM

JK

Always has that infectious smile 😊 love you

Joanie Kopp - July 12, 2019 at 09:31 AM

TZ

Kopp Family, I am praying for your strength and comfort during this time of great loss and sorrow. Tonya Z.

Tonya Zanders - July 15, 2019 at 11:50 AM

JC

Will never forget Steve's always positive outlook. He was a joy to be around. He was our great neighbor and friend. Every time I hear a pickup with a loud motor going down the street I still think "There goes Steve!" Miss you friend! Janet & Mark

Jan & Mark Casmaer - July 15, 2019 at 01:25 PM