



Stephen James Johnson

October 13, 1967 - October 5, 2025

Stephen "Steve" Johnson, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family on October 5 at the age of 57. Steve was the beloved husband of Susan Johnson, with whom he shared 22 wonderful years of marriage. He was a proud father to his daughter Hailey Johnson, whom he loved with all his heart, and a grandfather to his grandson Axel.

Steve's heart was equally full for his extended family. He cherished his three stepchildren: Christie Schmelz and her husband Chad Ruff, and their children Grace, Harrison, and Violet; Barret Schmelz and his wife Deanna, and their children Bailey, Avery, Chloe, and Bear; Rebecca O'Connor and her husband Teejay, and their children Lochlan and Holden, along with their loyal "granddogs" Willow and Oki

A man who could fix anything, Steve was known as "the handiest of all handymen." He was also known for his endless store of random knowledge, always ready to share a random fact or a quirky tidbit that could make you smile or scratch your head. He loved teaching his sons-in-law the ropes of home projects, never missing a chance to offer guidance or jump in with a helping hand-lessons they'll carry with them for a lifetime. When he wasn't building or repairing something, Steve could often be found by the water with a fishing pole in hand-his favorite place to relax and reflect.

Steve will be remembered for his practical wisdom, generous heart, and the warmth he brought to every gathering. His love for his family-especially the

deep, unwavering bond he shared with Hailey-was at the center of everything he did. His quick wit and endless trivia will be cherished by all who knew him. A private family service will be held to honor Steve's life.

The family asks that you honor Steve's memory by spending time outdoors, casting a fishing line, or lending a helping hand to someone in need-things Steve loved to do.

Steve's life was a testament to love, family, humor, and hard work. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved him.

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“ *Deepest Condolences to sue and their whole family. I had the pleasure of growing up in our neighborhood and meeting steve and becoming friends, later on roommates and coworker at times Steve was always a light hearted, fun to be around and witty person. Steve was a wiz fixing anything and yes, the best fisherman i have ever seen. I am sure mark would not have agreed. It must just have been in the johnson blood. You will be missed, rest in peace my friend. John Tiemann*

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