



Steve Tokar

October 5, 1956 - July 10, 2025

Coon Rapids, MN - Stephen John Tokar Jr., age 68, passed away on July 10, 2025, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota. Born on October 5, 1956, in Gary, Indiana, Steve lived a life marked by dedication, service, and a deep appreciation for family and friendship.

Steve grew up in Minnesota and graduated from Anoka High School in 1975. A natural leader and athlete, he served as class president and was the captain of the boys' gymnastics team. His commitment to excellence and camaraderie was evident even in his youth.

Following high school, Steve proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps for three years. After completing his military service, he pursued further education at Anoka Vo-Tech, where he earned credentials in building maintenance and obtained his boiler license. This launched a nearly four-decade-long career in building maintenance—a field where he applied his skills with diligence and pride until his retirement just a few years ago. Steve lived in Coon Rapids MN most of his post Marine Corps life.

Steve was known among those close to him as someone who could always be counted on—whether it was helping with a home project or simply being present with warmth and humor. He had a special bond with his nieces and nephews, delighting them with his playful spirit and genuine interest in their

lives.

He found joy in simple pleasures: sitting around a fire with friends, sharing stories about dogs or planning his next outdoor adventure. Many of these adventures were shared with his longtime hunting buddy Dan-moments that brought him great happiness and connection.

Steve is survived by his loving wife Tammy; brothers Paul (Mary) and Rick; Tammy's sons Chad, Tad, and Cory; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and grandchildren who will miss him dearly. He was preceded in death by his parents Ruth and Stephen Sr., and by his twin brother Mike.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, 09/20/2025 12 - 4pm at the Coon Rapids VFW.

May Stephen John Tokar Jr.'s memory bring comfort to all who knew him and serve as a lasting reminder of a life well lived.

Tribute Wall

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“ It was with great sadness we added Steve’s name and portrait to the ‘In Memoriam’ tribute last night at our Anoka High School ‘75 reunion committee meeting.

We all knew Steve. We all liked and admired Steve: a class leader, a sports star, but most importantly a friendly face at a time in our lives when that was often needed most.

The years have not faded our memory of him, nor can they. When we think of Steve we smile. When we think of Mike we laugh. Two of our best taken too soon. Rest in peace fellow Tornado!

Craig Smith, Dean Bechard, Pam Haliburton Bechard, Eric Anderson, Cindy Walborn Kravik, Kevin Aufderhar, Annette Putnam McCalla, Karen Gilpin McKenna, Dawn Anderson Croteau, Cheryl Brueshaber.

Craig Smith - August 15, 2025 at 12:15 PM