



Steven Thomas Griffith

August 9, 1951 - June 2, 2022

Steven Thomas Griffith, 70, of Cape Girardeau passed away Thursday, June 2, 2022, at his sister's home. He was born August 9, 1951, in Cape Girardeau, the third son and third child of five children born to Paul and Elizabeth Lorraine (Betty) Hoffman Griffith.

Steve was united in marriage to Charlotte Simmons on May 10, 1985, in Cape Girardeau. She preceded him in death on May 5, 2020. He was previously married to Martha Fulton Griffith and from this union, his daughter, Jennifer Griffith was born.

He was raised in the Catholic faith, attending St. Mary's Cathedral serving as an altar boy, and was educated at St. Mary's Elementary School and graduated from Cape Central High School in 1969. Following high school, he did an apprenticeship and received training in the field of orthotics in Wichita, KS. He was then drafted into the US Army and served during the Vietnam War from 1971-1973. Because of his orthotic training, he was stationed stateside at Fort Leonard Wood Hospital and served injured veterans returning from Vietnam. Following his honorable discharge, he attended Northwestern University in Chicago, 1973-74. In 1974, he attained credentials as a Certified Orthotist from the American Board for Certification. At that time, Steve was the youngest person in the United States to be certified in orthotics by the American Board for Certification. He then joined the Griffith Company family

business. Griffith Company later merged with Cape Prosthetics and Orthotics where Steve was employed until retirement.

Steve was a devoted husband and a generous and loving person. He enjoyed the outdoors especially hunting and fishing with his buddies. He was a great storyteller and many enjoyed hearing of his hilarious childhood escapades with his brothers and friends.

Loving survivors include his daughter, Jennifer Lynn Griffith (Henry) Blank of Memphis, TN; sister, Rebecca Griffith (David) Snell of Cape Girardeau; brothers, Michael (Yvonne) Griffith of Sedgewickville, MO; Robert (Mary) Griffith of Cape Girardeau; Brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Kenny and Deborah Fulton of Cape Girardeau. He is also survived by numerous aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews, many close friends, and his fur baby, Maggie, his constant companion.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Mary Griffith Joseph and nephew, Matthew Joseph.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Rose Hill Cemetery Fund, PO Box 159, Thebes, IL 62990, or the Kenny Rodgers Children's Center, 300 Floyd Drive, Sikeston, MO 63801.

The family would like to express its deep appreciation for the loving care provided by Saint Francis Hospice.

A private family inurnment will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Steven Thomas Griffith*

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