



Stephen Novina

October 28, 1948 - January 5, 2022

Stephen Novina, age 73, of Portage, Indiana, passed away on January 5, 2022, due to Covid-19. He was preceded in death by his father, Steve Novina, his mother Leonilda (Bortolini) Novina, and his brother Frank Novina. Stephen was a loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle, brother-in-law, and friend to many. He is survived by his loving wife, Beth A. (McKenzie) Novina, his son, Brad (Dragana) Novina, daughter Amy Novina (Steve Benner), stepson, Jason (Jillian) O'Neal. Stephen is also survived by his grandchildren: Britni, Derik, Audreyana, Lincoln, Tessa, Bryce, Mackenzie, Jordan, Addison, and his great grandson Carson Shaw and many sisters, brother-in-law, nephews and nieces

Stephen was born on October 28, 1948. He was a graduate of Andrean High School in Merrillville, Indiana, class of 1966. Stephen was an avid baseball player and left handed pitcher. He retired from U.S. Steel machine shop after 34 years. He later went on to work at Hobart Walmart where he met many very good friends. Stephen was always willing to help anyone in need. He will be remembered for his ability to make you smile. Stephen was a member of Living Hope Church in Merrillville, Indiana. He loved his church, the people, the Pastor Rick Cochran, and the message of Christ. He will be missed by so many and loved always. Psalms 118:17 I (Steve) shall not die; but live and declare the works of the Lord. Psalms 116:15 Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. He will live in our hearts forever and always be loved. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point, entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Steve's passing. We were next door neighbors on Fillmore Street. We had lots of wonderful times together. Our family spent many hours watching TV at their house. They were a very loving family and we couldn't have asked for better neighbors. Carol Steininger Sum

Carol Steininger Sum - March 03 at 07:05 PM

JH

“ I was fortunate enough to have worked with Steve in the Machine Shop. He was a good machinist and a good friend. Jeff Hill

Jeff Hill - January 12 at 09:38 PM

TB

“ Steve was my first cousin and by far the best athlete in our family ever. Even to this day people that I know that played baseball with him still say that they were afraid of him when they had to bat against him. It was a family day out to go to West Glen Park and see Steve as well as Frankie his brother pitch. Of course it didn't hurt that my aunt nilda novena ran the concession stand and definitely took care of our sweet tooth. May you rest in peace Steve take it easy on those boys in heaven with that drop curve
Ted Bortolini

Ted Bortolini - January 12 at 01:10 PM

MM

“ Steve will always be loved and we will never forget his love and kindness. I will always remember him for all he was to the world and how much he meant to me personally. I'm heart broken that we will no longer have him, my only comfort is knowing he is in a heavenly place that he could have never imagined, the love and home God has provided for him. I will one day meet him at heavens gate and feel his laughter and presence again. We love you Steve and you will forever be in our memory and hearts 💕💕



Melissa McKenzie - January 11 at 10:18 PM

KM

“ Continuing to lift each of Steve’s family up in prayer. Steve’s passing was entirely too soon, but my heart is thankful to know that one day we will meet again.

Kathleen Arts Mowell - January 11 at 05:59 PM

PR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Steve’s family. May God provide peace and strength during this difficult time. Pat Reyes

pat reyes - January 11 at 05:47 PM