



Steven A. Buttice

September 17, 1953 - February 3, 2021

Steven A. Buttice, 67, of East Peoria, passed away on February 3, 2021 at OSF Hospital in Peoria, from complications of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Steven is fondly remembered by friends and family as a kind person who kept a positive outlook throughout life and during his terminal illness. He left behind a message of grace, hope, and love of God.

Steven was an avid sports fan and cheered for the Chicago Cubs as well as his alma mater, the University of Illinois, where he graduated with a degree in Landscaping Architecture and later returned for a certificate in Geriatric Management. He coached youth baseball, was a long-distance runner, and finished dozens of regional races including a half marathon. He was also a member of the Robein School Board.

Steven was born on September 17, 1953 to Benjamin and Lillian (Montalbano) Buttice in Rockford. In 1990, he founded his first company, Medical Reimbursement and Management Services. Later, he branched out into real estate and also started his second company, Living by Your Design, a senior living planning company. Steven married Linda Kay Burroughs in March 1991 and was honored to become the parent of three young girls, followed by the birth of his son Steven Buttice II.

Steven is survived by his children, Alliyah (Brian Valinski) Mirza of Santa Fe, NM, Anisah (Geoff Brengle) Mirza of Chicago, Miliah (Jake Wagner) Mirza of Elmwood, and Steve (Lindsay) Buttice II of Germantown Hills; and brother, Mark (Cheryl) Buttice of Timnath, CO; 3 grandchildren Farrah and Bruce

Wagner, and Liam Buttice. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, James Buttice.

A visitation will be held for Steven on Tuesday, February 9th from 6:00-7:00 PM at Gary Dieters Funeral Home and Cremation Services in East Peoria, Illinois, with a Celebration of Life following. Memorials may be made to Mid-America Transplant Foundation at 1110 Highlands Plaza Dr. East, Suite #100 St. Louis, MO 63110 or online at

www.midamericatransplant.org/our-foundation/donate-online.

Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **9**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc. - East Peoria
444 E. Washington Street
East Peoria, IL 61611

Tribute Wall



“ Steven A. Buttice

October 08, 2023 at 04:50 PM



“ *I met Steve when he first opened Medical Reimbursement & Management Services, which was a trailblazing undertaking back then. Though he was busy getting his new business started, I asked for a favor. I was the Executive Director of the Central Illinois Agency on Aging and asked if he would speak to agencies serving older people about insurance and older people. He gave of his time and expertise so generously! He was a very special person. When he gave of himself, you could tell it came from his heart. He was genuine. He really cared. Later in our lives, he helped my parents, then me, with our insurance needs upon retirement. His help was invaluable. I offer my condolences to Steve II and all of Steve's family. He was a great guy!*

Barbara Miller - March 07, 2021 at 05:39 PM



“ *a lovely person and such a help to so many!*



pat dille - February 12, 2021 at 01:01 PM

RF

“ We met Steve through a networking group several years ago. Recently I enjoyed working with him with my Medicare options. He has always been professional and very helpful. He will be deeply missed. We both send our deepest sympathy to Steve, Jr. and the rest of the family.

Sincerely,

Robert & Diane Fuller

Robert & Diane Fuller - February 09, 2021 at 07:17 PM

MF

“ Steve Buttice was a primary referral for helping families figure out housing and insurance issues for their loved ones! He was also one of the first, besides staff at CIAA that welcomed me to Peoria area, by taking me out to eat! Very generous, positive and Christian man!
- Mitch Forrest, CIAA Family Caregiver Information and Assistance Specialist

Mitchell Forrest - February 09, 2021 at 05:36 PM

AB

“ Anita Brown-CIAA lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice



Anita Brown-CIAA - February 09, 2021 at 04:07 PM

TA

“ *The Central Illinois Agency on Aging purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven A. Buttice.*



The Central Illinois Agency on Aging - February 09, 2021 at 11:58 AM

KR

“ *Our deepest condolences from the Central Illinois Agency on Aging. Steven was a true friend to our agency and served on our Board of Directors and served as President of the Board. Steven will be greatly missed. His service to the older persons of Central Illinois is greatly appreciated.*

Keith A Rider - February 09, 2021 at 11:55 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Steven A. Buttice.*



February 09, 2021 at 09:37 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Steven A. Buttice.*



February 09, 2021 at 07:52 AM

SN

“ *Steph Noonan lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice*



Steph Noonan - February 09, 2021 at 04:54 AM



Patricia Smothers

“ *Steve was a kind, caring man with a generous smile. Mike and I have fond memories of Steve as a baseball coach when our sons were teammates and more recently as the man who helped us sort out medical insurance needs. We send our deepest sympathy to his family.*

Patricia Smothers - February 08, 2021 at 03:29 PM

CL

“ *Cindy Levingston lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice*



Cindy Levingston - February 08, 2021 at 03:12 PM

TH

“ *I was saddened to see this, my condolences to Steve's family. He helped me when my then husband needed help with some medical bills. Steve was the kindest person I had ever met, he left a lasting impression on me.*

Tonya Helfrich - February 08, 2021 at 01:17 PM

AR

“ *What a nice caring person. Steve really was..
I saw Steve at an Underwriters seminar last year. So glad we got to talk and get caught up. My condolences to his family.*

Ann Rowbotham

ann e rowbotham - February 08, 2021 at 11:43 AM

CH

“ *You were one of a kind. There are no words. I was honored to work with you for many years. I am honored to be your friend.*



Cheryl - February 07, 2021 at 05:42 PM

PK

“ *Steve was so helpful when my now deceased husband needed it with a change in Health insurance. He was very humble and caring in his working with my daughter and I while going through the process. It is with great sorrow that I note his passing from this world. God has a great place in eternity for such a caring person. My prayers are with the family. Patty Klise*

Patty Klise - February 07, 2021 at 03:20 PM

JB

“ *I just learned of Steve's passing and the loss of such a gentle and caring man. He helped so many in his quiet and humble manner. He will be missed by so many. My heart-felt condolences go out his family.*

Janice Boughton

Janice Boughton - February 07, 2021 at 02:11 PM

GS

“ I have had the privilege of knowing Steve for almost 20 years. He helped with my insurance , like so many, but Steve was much more than an insurance agent. He was a kind, humble, and my friend and will be missed by all who ever knew him. So sorry for your loss.
Grant Siebels

Grant Siebels - February 07, 2021 at 09:02 AM

CS

“ A light for the person who was a light to others



Cheryl and Dan Severino - February 06, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven A. Buttice.



February 06, 2021 at 03:18 PM

RK

“ To the Buttice Family. 14 years ago Steve guided us as we approached retirement and has every year since reviewed and guided us. We always held his recommendations and suggestions in high regard . For the past few years we enjoyed adjacent booths at various health fairs and I always enjoyed his friendly and sincere conversations. Please try to take comfort in knowing Steve helped so many in ways both big and small that he had too many friends to ever be forgotten
Bob Knott .

Robert Knott - February 06, 2021 at 02:42 PM



“ A donation has been made to MidAmerica Transplant to honor my friend Steven A Buttice. Steve and I shared a special relationship because we received our lung transplants about the same time. We shared our struggles, our successes and everything in between. He is greatly missed.



Terri Swider - February 05, 2021 at 09:18 PM

RT

During a hard financial crisis with caring for my mom after my dads death, Steve helped with the mounts of paperwork to file for assistance from the VA. We will forever be grateful for what he did for helping to make moms last days more comfortable and worry free about money issues.

To the Buttice family, I'm sorry for your loss ... our prayers for you.

Rev Ron Talbot - February 06, 2021 at 05:31 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Steven A. Buttice.*



February 05, 2021 at 08:47 PM



“ *Our sympathy to Steve’s family on his loss . Steve was a great neighbor . Always a smile on his face and a welcoming heart. He presented great workshops for our church and was always there to answer questions and help out . I was blessed to call him a friend .*

Judy Custer - February 05, 2021 at 08:15 PM



“ *Noor & Adele Mirza lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice*



Noor & Adele Mirza - February 05, 2021 at 07:33 PM



We are so sad to hear of Steve’s passing. He was a great Step Dad & Dad! So glad to have been friends for 30 years! Hugs to all of you!

Paul & Carolyn Hesselberth - February 05, 2021 at 08:58 PM



“ *My heart goes out to you and your family. Steve became a good friend and resource to me .
We met while I was the executive director of the Central Illinois Alzheimer's Association. we became fast friends during my tenure as well as afterwards. I still have the bottle of home made Kaluha that he gave me one year at Christmas. Steve will be sorely missed.*

May Steve's memory be eternal and his family be at peace.

With my admiration and care, Nikki Vulgaris-Rodriguez

Nikki Vulgaris-Rodriguez - February 05, 2021 at 07:24 PM

DB

“ *Duans & Mary Buttice lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice*



Duans & Mary Buttice - February 05, 2021 at 06:10 PM

CA

“ *Central Illinois Agency On Aging lit a candle in memory of Steven A. Buttice*



Central Illinois Agency on Aging - February 05, 2021 at 05:35 PM