

Where There Is Faith

Where there is Faith, There is Love. Where there is Love, There is Peace. Where there is Peace, There is God. Where there is God, There is no Need. IN LOVING MEMORY OF



WHO WAS BORN September 4, 1945 Graceville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME May 19, 2024 Ortonville, Minnesota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL Thursday, May 23, 2024 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Rosary Catholic Church Graceville, Minnesota

CELEBRANT: Father David Breu

MUSICIANS Anita Holker, Organist Arens Girls, Vocalists

READER: Tom Stotesbery

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Tom Stotesbery | Cyndy Stotesbery

ALTAR SERVERS Riley Stotesbery | Austin Kleindl

> GIFT BEARERS Brian Wulff | Randy Ward

CASKET BEARERS Ryan Stotesbery | Brent Nerenz | Randy Stotesbery James Stotesbery | Bruce Ritter | Nathan Nerenz | Darin Seifert

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS Steve's Grandchildren: Mitchell Buerkle | Brendon Buerkle | Bryan Buerkle

> MILITARY HONORS American Legion Post #297 Graceville, Minnesota

INTERMENT Graceville Consolidated Cemetery Graceville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Steve's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for lunch and fellowship at the Holy Rosary Parish Center.

Mundwiler L Larson Funeral Home - Graceville, Minnesota

 \mathcal{H} oward Stephen Stotesbery was born on September 4, 1945, in Graceville, MN, to Howard L. and Gertrude (Seifert) Stotesbery. Steve was a man of dedication and service, embodying the values of honor and commitment throughout his life.

Steve's journey began at Graceville High School, where he graduated with the Class of 1964. Following his education, he worked at Krook's Grocery store before being drafted into the United States Army on November 16, 1965. He served his country with valor in Vietnam until his honorable discharge on August 22, 1967.

On June 13, 1970, Steve was united in marriage with Deborah Hoppe in Graceville. Together, they were blessed with two daughters.

After his military service, Steve pursued a career as an electrician. He attended Wahpeton State School of Science to hone his skills and embarked on a successful career in Fargo/Moorhead for over 14 years. In 1982, Steve returned to his roots in Graceville and established his own business, where he dedicated himself to his craft for three decades. He prided himself on doing the best job possible and leaving each place cleaner than he found it.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Steve was an active member of his community, being a part of Holy Rosary Catholic Church where he served as an usher, the Graceville American Legion, Knights of Columbus, and Disabled American Veterans. He found joy in simpler pleasures, whether it was hunting in his younger years, playing cards at family reunions, rooting for his favorite sports teams, or watching his favorite RFD shows. He also enjoyed two bus tours to see Danny O'Donnell and he was hoping to do that again soon.

Steve's true passion, however, was his family. He cherished spending time with his grandchildren watching The Three Stooges, war shows, and sports. He attended their activities and events with pride and enthusiasm. His love and support were unwavering, leaving an indelible mark on those who were fortunate enough to know him.

Left to cherish Steve's memory are his wife of 53 years, Debby of Graceville, MN; his daughters: Michelle (Mark) Buerkle of Springfield, MN; and Stacy Stotesbery (Perry Torgerson) of Bemidji, MN; three grandchildren: Mitchell, Brendon, and Bryan Buerkle all of Springfield, MN; siblings: David (Bonnie) Stotesbery of Clinton, MN; Philip (Cyndy) Stotesbery of Pelican Rapids, MN; Bernie (Karla) Stotesbery of Alexandria, MN; Thomas (Debbie) Stotesbery of Redwood Falls, MN; James (Pam) Stotesbery of Clinton, MN; and JoAnne (John) Nerenz of Wheaton, MN; along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Howard and Gertrude Stotesbery; and step-mother, Kathleen Stotesbery.





