

Lance "Lannie" Kevin Steffen was born on July 7, 1953, in Willmar, Minnesota, the son of Keith and LaVerne (Haats) Steffen. He grew up in Raymond and graduated from Raymond High School in 1971. Lannie excelled in sports and academics in high school. He attended the Willmar Community College and then the University of Minnesota, at both the Morris and Minneapolis campus, graduating with a BA degree in English and History. Lannie worked at Chicago Cutlery for many years before working as a coder for various legal firms. In 2008, he retired and moved back to the Raymond community.

Lannie was a man of brilliant intellect, intuition and a phenomenal memory. He had memorized all the monarchs of Britain and England as well as being able to recount details of the lives of Roman Emperors, having read the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire at least 3 times. Lannie was able to predict political trends decades in advance with uncanny accuracy.


Lannie was a fantastic chef, cooking tasteful French, German, Italian, Southern, Asian and Midwest cuisines. He also enjoyed music, reading, birdwatching and bible study. In 1985, he joined the Catholic church after reading the bible in several versions and the Church Fathers completely.

He is survived by his best friend, David Sattman; three siblings, Scott, Todd and Shawna Steffen, several cousins, nieces and nephews, besides other relatives and many friends from Raymond and the Twin Cities.

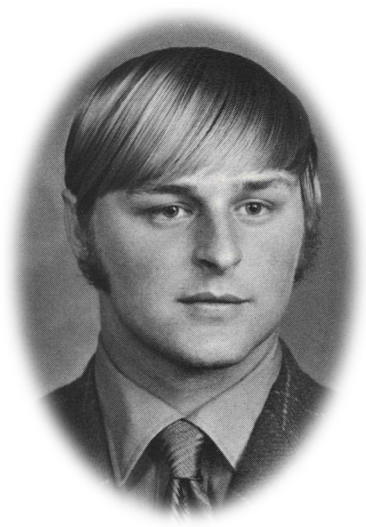
He was preceded in death by his parents; two siblings, Kerry and Kelly and a cousin, Mark.

Lance "Lannie" Steffen

1953 - 2023



**The Lord is my Light
and my Salvation**



*To every thing there is a season,
and a time to every purpose
under heaven:*

*A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up
that which is planted;*

A time to kill and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather

stones together; a time to embrace,

and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep,

and a time to cast away;

A time to rend, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate;

a time of war, and a time of peace.

-Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

In Loving Memory Of

Lance "Lannie" Steffen

July 7, 1953

Willmar, Minnesota

April 30, 2023

Willmar, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Friday, May 5, 2023 - 2:00 p.m.

Church of St. Mary

Willmar, Minnesota

Celebrant

Fr. Steve Verhelst

Music

Pianist: Tim Cayler

St. Mary's Resurrection Choir

Gathering Song: *"Here I Am Lord"*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 27 *"The Lord Is My Light"*

Preparation of the Gifts: *"Prayer of St. Francis"*

Communion: *"I Am The Bread Of Life"*

Song of Farewell: *"Old Hundreth"*

Going Forth: *"On Eagles Wings"*

Casketbearers

Skyler Steffen Mark Dethlefs David Day

Steven Freese Scott Steffen David Sattman

Interment

Fairview Cemetery

Raymond, Minnesota