



Steve Mayotte

December 2, 1963 - March 15, 2019

Stephen “Steve” Mayotte passed away at his home in Turlock on Friday. Throughout his 55 years, Steve never took a day for granted. He loved life and lived it to the fullest.

Steve was born in Turlock and graduated from Turlock High School in 1981. He began his 30-year firefighting career as a volunteer for the City of Turlock, after which he worked for the Moffett Field Fire Dept. and Stanislaus County Fire Warden’s Office. He completed his career serving as Chief of the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District.

Steve’s favorite pastimes included riding his motorcycle, shooting sporting clays, traveling, playing games on the computer with friends, music, reading, socializing with friends, and spending time with family. He was an active volunteer for Turlock Historical Society & Museum and was serving as President of the board at the time of his passing.

Steve never met a stranger, and he liked to make new friends. He was kind and cared for those around him, far more than the average person. He had courage and did what he felt was right, even when it was hard or painful or when he knew that others wouldn’t understand what he was trying to accomplish.

His dedication to commitment was unwavering. He didn’t just talk about doing something, he did it. This was true for people, work, and projects.

Steve’s intelligent curiosity and adventuresome spirit took him and Zella to many places, including travels to foreign lands to see things and enjoy what

the world had to offer. He was open-minded, as he didn't judge what he saw and always accepted it as new and different.

A man of integrity, Steve was modest and didn't push himself into anyone else's space or try to take control of any situation. People listened to him, and there were many who respected and loved him.

Describing her devoted husband as a best friend and companion, Zella wrote: "I could not have asked for one better. I knew I could trust Steve with any part of my life, any secret, any dollar amount. He was always there for me and always dependably Steve. I don't know how one man was able to be 'best friends' with so many people. But he pulled it off and made it look easy. He was my heart and soul. We were a team."

Besides his wife, Zella Mayotte, Steve is survived by his son Jonathan Buck, his daughter Kathee Buck-Blanco, and his mother JoAnn Davis. He also leaves brothers Michael Mayotte and Mike Davis; sisters Shelly Mayotte, Terri Lewallen, Gigi Miller, Lily Stroup, Sharon Garcia, Sandra Albritton, Susan Souza, and Lisa Zinani; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock, on Fri., Mar. 22nd from 4 to 7 p.m. Funeral services will be conducted at the same location on Sat., Mar. 23rd, at 2 p.m. Interment will follow at Turlock Memorial Park.

Memorial donations may be made to Community Hospice, 4368 Spyres Way, Modesto, CA 95356.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
Turlock, CA 95381
(209) 632-9111
<https://turlockfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

MAR 23. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
Turlock, CA 95381
(209) 632-9111
<https://turlockfuneralhome.com>

Interment following Funeral Service

MAR 23. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Memorial Park
575 N Soderquist Rd
Turlock, CA 95380-3749
(209) 632-9111

Reception to Follow

MAR 23. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Steve Mayotte*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



March 22, 2019 at 10:53 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



March 21, 2019 at 12:43 PM



“ *We fought a few battles together and came out on top!*

Charles Turner - March 21, 2019 at 06:16 AM

PA

“ *Patty Kelly & Don Adams purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



Patty Kelly & Don Adams - March 20, 2019 at 09:51 PM

CF

“ *Claudene and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



Claudene and Family - March 20, 2019 at 08:01 PM

BY

“ *Steve was the person that introduced me to real rock & roll. Hanging with him and Joe are some of the best moments in memory. Be at peace my friend and enjoy the reunion with your brother.*

Bill Yorker - March 20, 2019 at 05:51 PM

RB

“ *Rick & Debby Borrelli purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



Rick & Debby Borrelli - March 20, 2019 at 12:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



March 20, 2019 at 10:13 AM



“ *Holly Borges purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



Holly Borges - March 20, 2019 at 08:40 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Steve Mayotte.*



March 20, 2019 at 08:22 AM

LS

“ Steve was one of my special cousins. He would always listen to what you had to say. We shared the love of our Southard family history and stories of our parents and grandparents. He was an awesome person, he freely shared, and took care of family. We loved him dearly and he will be greatly missed! He will always remain in our thoughts and hearts.



Lola & Ron Shaw

Lola & Ron Shaw - March 18, 2019 at 07:41 PM