



Steven Jeffrey Pace

July 1, 1970 - November 11, 2023

On Saturday evening, 11 November 2023, Steven Jeffrey Pace, age 53, provided new life for two recipients of his donated organs, even as his life ended after suffering a pulmonary embolism on Thursday morning, 9 November. Steve was with his beloved wife and companion of over 26 years, Marti Pace, in their fifth wheel “home away from home,” near Heber, Utah, when this life-changing event happened.

Steve yet again showed some foresight as he had chosen a location near a large grassy field, where on Thursday morning the University of Utah Hospital AirMed helicopter was able to land to rush him back to Salt Lake City where he was able to undergo emergency surgery. The family is very grateful for the many heroic efforts made by the first responders and then hospital surgeons, doctors and nursing staff, who did all they could to help Steve survive this catastrophic event, while his family and close friends kept vigil in the cardiovascular ICU

waiting area during the intervening days.

Steven Jeffrey Pace was born on 1 July 1970, the first child of Patricia Ellen Rogers Pace and Michael LeRoy Pace, in Charleston, South Carolina. Shortly after the birth of their daughter and Steve's only sister, Deborah JoAnn Pace, Pat and Michael divorced and Pat returned to Salt Lake City, Utah where she raised her children in a home filled with love. Pat worked hard to support her young family, traits exhibited by her bright and intelligent children who spent many of their growing up years in their home in West Valley City, Utah.

Shortly after graduating from high school, Steve married Corina Flores and they welcomed three wonderful children, Diana, Lisa and Jeffrey into their home. Steve and Corina eventually separated and later divorced.

Steve later met and married Marti Snow and he became a loving father to daughter Dani. Steve demonstrated his love for all his children throughout the remaining years of his life. He was devoted to their well-being and often was the anchor that has helped them through challenges in their own lives. At the end of his far-too-short mortal life, Steve had become a beloved grandfather to Rylin Jeffrey Pace, Liam Bradley Fowles, Kyden Aurora Fowles and Kinsley Belle Fowles, and Lily Rae and Everly Marie Pace.

Steve returned to his heavenly home to be greeted by his loving mother, Pat, grandparents Peter and Ellen Rogers, Glenn and Dorothy Pace, uncle Don Rogers, aunt Lolita Rogers, and other family members and dear friends who were no doubt happy to be with Steve again

Steve is survived and deeply missed by his family, friends ... and pampered pets (dogs and cats).

Steve would want each of us to know that life really is too short and to make the best of every day, giving of yourself to others and make memories of times with family and friends a top priority. Work hard and play hard. Only barbecue with the very best equipment. Enjoy good music and never miss an opportunity to tell those that you love that you do love them with all your heart!

Until we see you again, Steven, know that you are loved, missed, and that we deeply appreciate the times we could hug, visit with you, eat with you, and feel the light you brought into the room.

For many years, Steve has worked in both sales, computer support and customer relations in the automotive industry. At the time of his death, Steve was the Corporate

Customer Relations

Management (CRM) Trainer in the Seiner Corporation, a major conglomerate of automotive dealerships in the mountain west.

Steve's personal life personified the corporate motto of "making friends to last a lifetime," and began when he was very, very young. One University Hospital employee commented when observing the group gathered in the Cardio-vascular ICU waiting area, "I've never seen so many different people gathered for so long a time as your group who are concerned for Steve."

Indeed, one member of the group stated, "Steve and I have been best friends since fifth grade ... and have been ever since." While we may be separated for a time, those friendships that Steve formed during his life will continue and remain strong.

The Seiner Corporation has graciously offered the use of the GM Guy Café (1530 South 500 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84115) to host a celebration of life on Sunday, 3 December 2023, beginning at 1:00 PM.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 3. 1:00 PM (MT)

GM Guy Cafe
1530 South 500 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84115

Tribute Wall

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“ Steven was an incredible customer service representative. One day my mom had to have her car serviced and the dealership didn't have a loaner car for her. Mom and I had to travel to Las Vegas to see a friend who was passing away. Steven lent mom his personal car to drive to Las Vegas. On the way, Mom got pulled over by the highway patrol. When he asked for the registration we didn't know where it was and Mom said this isn't our car. I explained about the car being a loan for us. He couldn't believe someone would lend their car to be driven across the states. We had to wait while he phoned Steven. Steven explained it all and we weren't given a ticket. The officer along with Mom and I didn't want anything on Steven's record. Steven was an incredibly generous and kind and exemplary employee. I pray for God's peace upon all his family and friends. God bless you all, Penny Courtright Fazio

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