

Stephen Hal Mohlman(1972 - 2014)



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On Monday, October 27, 2014 our son, brother, cousin, uncle, and beloved friend, Stephen Hal Mohlman, left us while valiantly battling pancreatic cancer.

Steve fought this devastating disease 24 hours a day for 90 long days until his body could no longer match his will to fight. Having given his all, and with his loving family by his side, Steve's spirit left his body peacefully and victorious. To those that were with him it was clear Steve did not lose his battle to cancer, he had done what he set out to do. He left this life in peace. Even so, it was much too soon for those of us he left behind.

Steve is survived by his mother Pat, sisters Jara and Julie, brother Jim (Amber), his aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and many nieces and nephews (all his brother's and his cousin's children were equally loved and knew him only as "Uncle Steve.") He was preceded in death by his father Hal, uncle Rex, and his

grandparents.

To those that only saw him, Steve was a giant of a man with a stature that was almost larger than life. To those that truly knew him, his physical size was dwarfed by his kind, compassionate, gentle nature, his indomitable strength of spirit, and his seemingly endless love and passion for his life, his family, his friends, and his work and those who worked with him.

His kindness and humility was matched by his exceptional intellect, his keen wit, his dry sense of humor, and his fun-loving good nature. He was truly a joy to be around in every sense of the word. Although cut tragically short, he lived a life that mattered and we are all better off for having known him and will treasure the gift of his memories forever.

Steve loved sports and made it his life's work. He put his heart and soul into his job as an award-winning leader of the sports production staff at the Salt Lake Tribune.

Terry Orme, editor and publisher of the Tribune, paid tribute to Steve with these words, "We miss him terribly. He was a big man with a gentle soul. In a recent column, sports reporter Matthew Piper summed up Steve, and his work ethic, with this sentence: 'Steve has the frame of an ideal left tackle, but instead became an ideal newspaperman: sharp, skeptical, compassionate and unaware, apparently, that you can finish out a shift playing solitaire.' Perfect."

Although we may never understand why Steve was taken from us far too soon, one thing is clear. During this time of shared sorrow for his passing, it is ironic that Steve is the man who we most wish we could turn to for the kindness, comfort, solace, peace, hope, compassion and yes, even the few good laughs we all need to get us through these sometimes dark and difficult days.

With this in mind a memorial celebration of Steve's life will be held on his 42nd birthday this Friday, November 7th, from 7-9 pm at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints building located at 496 River Way, Lehi, UT 84043.

All are welcome. Please come and share your thoughts and stories of Steve with his family and friends so that he may live on in our shared memories of him.

In lieu of flowers a support page for the family and fundraiser has been started to celebrate Steve's life, to thank him for all he meant to us, to help his family to honor his last wish and lay him to rest next to his father in Seattle, and to raise further awareness in his memory to help others fight pancreatic cancer. To make a contribution or simply express your love and support please visit the Stephen Hal Mohlman Memorial Fundraiser at <https://www.giveforward.com/fundraiser/2w96/the-stephen-hal-mohlman-memorial-fund> (or simply: <http://gfwd.at/1ryfd5F>)

Steve's family wishes to thank everyone for the overwhelming outpouring of love they have received. Words cannot fully express how meaningful, uplifting, and sustaining each and every expression of kindness and compassion have been. They couldn't get through this without you.

Finally, the family of Steve would like to add a special thanks to all of his cuzbros and cuzsisters who sacrificed so much to care for him: Dave, Diane, Laurie, Andy, Michelle, Jon, Leslie, Tim, and Jessica.

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