



## Steven Arnold Barthelmess

October 29, 1960 - September 24, 2020

Steven Arnold Barthelmess, age 59, of Charleston, WV and LaQuinta, CA passed away peacefully with his wife and son by his side on September 24, after a short but courageous battle with cancer.

Steve was born on October 29, 1960 in Charleston, WV and grew up in St. Albans, WV. He graduated from St. Albans High School in 1978 and always considered himself a “St. Albans Boy”. He had dozens of life-long friends, many to this day. He graduated from West Virginia University with double majors in 1982 and 1983 and enjoyed a long successful career as a Healthcare Consultant. Steve was an owner and Vice President of RKSB Healthcare Consulting, Inc. (formerly Bill J. Crouch and Associates).

Steve was an avid golfer and member of Sleepy Hollow Golf Club in Hurricane, WV and Rancho LaQuinta Country Club in LaQuinta, CA. He was a pretty good golfer, at times, and loved to compete. He looked forward to his annual golf trips with his friends and brothers and playing golf with his wife, Diana.

Steve was also an avid fan of the WVU Mountaineers and held football season tickets for many years. A long-time light blue lot tailgater and colorful presence in section 124, Steve and his brother, Brett believed they had a duty to inform referees of their “mistakes”. In his memory, Steve asks that his

friends and family sing “Country Roads” loudly and proudly.

Even more than golf and WVU sports, Steve loved his family. He was a smart, kind, generous and passionate man. He was a fun loving guy who loved a good party and was usually leading the charge and initiating family gatherings. He loved spending time with his granddaughters and their annual trips to FL.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Art and Shirley Barthelmess, his paternal grandparents, Steven and Donna Barthelmess and maternal grandparents, Arnold and Sybil Rupe. He is survived by his loving wife of 25 years, Diana Williamson-Barthelmess, his son Colby Barthelmess of Charleston and his son Blake Williamson (Carrie Shepherd) of Scott Depot, granddaughters Olivia and Alaina Williamson, sister Beverly Taylor (Tim) of Illinois, brother Rick Barthelmess (Tammy) of Hurricane and Brett Barthelmess (Angie) of Hurricane. Mother-in-law, Donna Young of Dunbar, Brother in-law Jim Young (Paul Fincher) of Dunbar, Sister-in-law Sharon Sheets (Randall) of South Charleston. Uncle Gene and Marianne Young of LaQuinta, CA. Nieces and Nephews: Joe Taylor (Birgit) of SC, Justin Taylor (Katie) of CO, Anne Taylor (Scott Tremblay) of CO, Dr. Erin Barthelmess (Chris Goodell) of CO, Megan Barthelmess of VA, Alec Barthelmess of Hurricane, Jonathan Sheets (Amber) of S.Charleston and Dr. Nicholas Sheets (Diana Robles) of Riverside CA. Also, his loyal dog and furry friend, Lilly.

The family would like to thank their many friends and family members for their support, love and prayers throughout Steve’s illness. A special thanks to his business partner, Raymona Kinneberg and associate, Whitney Hess for their understanding and compassion during this difficult time. Also, Bill Crouch, his long-time business partner and mentor.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Dr. Justin Cohen and the staff at the CAMC Cancer Center, the staff at the Hubbard Hospice House, Dr.

Lana Christiano and Dr. Nicholas Sheets for their compassionate care.

A special thank you to Steve and Suzi Fox for their spiritual guidance and support.

A service to honor and celebrate Steve's life will be held on Wednesday, September 30 at 2:00pm, at Sleepy Hollow Golf Club on the outdoor patio. Visitation will be from 11:00am-2:00pm. The family requests that masks be worn and social distancing guidelines be observed. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Kanawha Hospice, the Lung Cancer Foundation of America, the American Cancer Society, WVU Foundation or your favorite charity.

Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane is honored to serve Steve's family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Sleepy Hollow Golf Club  
180 Sleepy Hollow Drive  
Hurricane, WV 25526

## Celebration of Life

SEP **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Steven Arnold Barthelmess*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *Diana, Brett, Ricky and family members.....we are so saddened by your loss. Steve was so much fun to be around, always positive! Even though we only played golf a few times, I thoroughly enjoyed hanging out with Steve. Only wish I could have beaten him, just once! Praying God comforts your family during this difficult time.*

*Jim & Debbie Martin*

**Jim Martin** - September 29, 2020 at 04:18 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.*



September 29, 2020 at 03:51 PM



“ *I worked for Steve for 13 years. He was always kind, respectful and courteous to me. My heart breaks for his family and I pray for peace, as he is not suffering any longer. I will always miss his kind heart.*

*Paulette Pauley*

**Paulette Stati Pauley** - September 29, 2020 at 03:09 PM

DC

“ I rarely return to St Albans but by good fortune I picked up a copy of the Gazette.. I did not know Steven but I was real close as well as my parents to Art and Shirley... they were my “back door neighbors for many years.. As a matter of fact it was Art that got me interested in Concord College in Athens .West Virginia.. They kept a “close “ eye on me growing up on Lincoln Avenue.. I didn’t really get to know the children except Brett.. regardless, sadden to hear of Stevens passing... if he was anything like his parents he would have been a wonderful person...

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**Dale Carter** - September 29, 2020 at 12:00 PM

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“ Love Brad and Wendy Owens purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.



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**Love Brad and Wendy Owens** - September 29, 2020 at 09:36 AM

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“ My condolences to the Barthelmess family. I had met Steve and Diana many years ago. I had the honor to work with Diana for a long time. I am so sorry for his loss. Diana, you and the family are in my thoughts and prayers. Rusty Casto, CPJ Funeral Home.

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**Rusty Casto** - September 29, 2020 at 09:25 AM

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“ *-Hannah, Sydney, and Ally purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.*



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**-Hannah, Sydney, and Ally** - September 29, 2020 at 12:01 AM

SD

“ *My condolences to the Barthelmess family. I have many fond memories of Steve from junior high through college. Perhaps the most memorable was the college spring break trip six of us took to Port Aransas, TX. Steve was a person who made friends easily. He will be missed by all.*

*Steve Dermit  
Austin, TX*

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**Steve Dermit** - September 28, 2020 at 05:16 PM

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“ *We were so terribly saddened to hear about Steve's passing and our love goes out to his lovely wife and family. We treasure the memories of times we had together and laughs we shared. Sending our deepest sympathies, with love, Scott and Laura Stamm*

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**laura stamm** - September 28, 2020 at 05:01 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.*



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September 28, 2020 at 02:22 PM



“ Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.



September 28, 2020 at 12:51 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Steven Arnold Barthelmess.



September 28, 2020 at 11:04 AM



“ Steve was a sweet, caring person. We will miss his smiling face and gentle demeanor. May he rest in peace now in the arms of the angels. Our deepest sympathy for the Barthelmess family. Russ and Jane Bowling



**Jane Bowling** - September 28, 2020 at 01:04 AM