



Steven B. Gates Jr.

May 13, 1970 - July 7, 2024

Steven Gates, 54, passed away on Sunday, July 7, 2024, in Roswell, NM. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Steven's family at www.andersonbethany.com.

On May 13, 1970, Steven was born to Steven B. Gates Sr. and Edith F. Belyeu in Richmond, VA. He enlisted in the United States Airforce and served honorably for four years. He married June Heyman on March 17, 1990, in Urbana, IL. Steven was the owner of Southwest Bearing Company and served his community for many years alongside his wife. Their company is one of a kind and he was very proud of the business he and June had created. He was a very talented machinist and welder. Steven was also an avid fisherman and hunter, he kept many of his prizes, and each one told a different story. He was an amazing husband, father, brother, and son. Steven will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Those left to eternally treasure and cherish memories of Steven are his wife, June Marlee Gates; children: Jessica Nicole Womack and son-in-law, William Henry Womack; grandchild; June Louise Womack; mother, Edith Frances Belyeu; sister: Kimberly Anne Gates.

Steven is preceded in death by his grandparents: Carrie and Edward Stelzner. No services will be held at this time.

Tribute Wall

HE

“ Was so sadden to hear the news of Steve's passing. We worked together on shipments for Southwest Bearing. Such a great guy. I always enjoyed talking with him. So sorry for your loss. Many prayers going up.

Heather England - December 26, 2024 at 02:14 PM

NS

“ Fran, June, Jessica, Kim - We are so sorry for your loss. Bill & Natalie Steele

Natalie Steele - July 17, 2024 at 11:22 AM

EL

“ To June and Jessica, Kimberly, and all the family, We are shocked to read that Steve passed away! He was a wonderful person and we so enjoyed living across the street from you all. We remember his enthusiastic barbecues, his love of hunting, his devotion to June and Jessica, his playful interaction with us and our dog Hansel. We knew how much the Southwest Bearing Company meant to him. Ellsworth and I send our condolences to you all. It is hard to believe that he is gone. Our thoughts are with you at this sad time.

Ellen Moore and Ellsworth LeBeau - July 16, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I'm very saddened of the passing of Steve I delivered mail to his business for many years and Stevie would always greet me with kindness and was truly a great guy. He made sure I had enough water and told me to go in his business at anytime to cool off I will truly miss seeing him daily. May god bless u June ❤️

Amelia Benavides - July 15, 2024 at 03:09 PM

TG

“ I am still in utter shock and disbelief. I am so sorry for the pain and grief we are all feeling. I still think of Steven as my "little cousin"...the little 4 year old I first met when the family got back from Germany, and he asked if I wanted to see how hard he could hit - then punched me as hard as he could in my stomach!! And when they lived on Alameda street in Las Cruces - there was a hole in the wood floor under his bed that he said roaches were coming up through - we poured every bottle of detergent, shampoo, conditioner, etc we could find down that hole to kill roaches!!! LOL My family used to live on Mulberry Street in Las Cruces, and his family came to our house to play cards - Steven and I loaded the door handles on my closet doors full of Vaseline (to catch the "bad guys"; later that night when we were supposed to be sleeping, Steven put a blanket over himself like a ghost, and walked down the hall and into the den to our parents making his spooky ghost noises trying to scare our parents!! LOL So many memories when they lived on Ft. Bliss - playing "Ghost in the Graveyard", riding bikes around their neighborhood, playing monopoly, etc.... Steve was truly like another brother. I am deeply saddened by his loss, but forever grateful for all of the memories. Much love to June, Jessica, Kimberley, Aunt Frances and Uncle SteveTammy

Tammy Gates - July 15, 2024 at 10:30 AM

CR

“ Desperately saddened by the loss of Steve, Steve and June are the family you pick in life you go through the good times and the bad all together and never think that you'll have to lose each other, June and Jess I'm so sorry for your loss and my thoughts and prayers will always be with you, Steve's kind heart, laugh, and fierce protection for those who he knew and loved will forever be etched in our hearts, you will never be forgotten. We love you!!!

Connie Rork - July 12, 2024 at 08:33 PM

CK

“ We are both desperately sad and heartbroken for you June, Jessica and family. No words will ever be able to extend our deepest sympathy for your loss of dear Steve. Sending our love always.



Claire & David - United Kingdom - July 11, 2024 at 11:14 AM

SS

“ Beyond saddened by the news, Steve was definitely one of a kind and will be deeply missed.... to momma June, sista gates and William I am sorry for ur loss... the kids and I love yall

Stephanie K. Shipman - July 10, 2024 at 09:38 PM

LH

“ I am so very sorry for your Loss June , Jessica an Family an Friends. Thoughts an Prayers are with All of You.



Lisa K Shipman Hess - July 09, 2024 at 08:38 PM

TB

“ June Berry and I are so sorry to hear about Steve you will be in are prayers.

Tammy Bompart - July 09, 2024 at 03:09 PM

DJ

“ I will forever remember you Steve. June I'm so sorry for your loss.

Donna James - July 09, 2024 at 11:05 AM

SG

“ *Sending our sincere condolences to the Gates family. Please reach out if there is anything you need or anything we can do for you. All our love.....Army & Sharlene Gonzalez*

Sharlene Gonzalez - July 08, 2024 at 11:21 PM

KM

“ *I am deeply saddened with the passing of Steve. He was not only helpful to me in the professional world, but I considered him a trusted friend. My deepest Sympathies to the family. .*



Kathy Mounts - July 08, 2024 at 07:04 PM