



## Stephen Ray Duncan

November 17, 1951 - April 14, 2026

Stephen Ray Duncan, age 74, of Gravois Mills, passed away Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born November 17, 1951, in Salem, Illinois, son of the late Warren and Haleah (Jet) Duncan.

Stephen proudly served his country in the United States Army.

He worked at Sydenstricker for many years until his retirement.

Stephen enjoyed spending time riding motorcycles, target practicing and spoiling his two dogs.

He is survived by his wife, Gail Duncan; his brother, Bruce Duncan; a son, Michael McConnaughay; two daughters, Stephanie Bay and Brandi Duncan and many grandchildren. He is also survived by four step-children and many more step-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Mike Duncan.

There are no services planned at this time.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *My Dad.... I was born to him in 1981 . My name was suppose to be Mea Michelle but at the last minute he named me Stephanie Rae .. after him. Taught me to be extra strong, and always try and prep your life for what was to come next.*

*He was a solitary cowboy with gypsy in his soul.*

*Through out my journey with him he lived in many different towns and loved different people.*

*In all of his chapter's, he was he was the Rock for those people.*

*While he was a mechanic most of his life, he really wanted to have his own little cafe' 'steve's place' and a shop where he could would do custom motorcycle paint work.*

*Always filling his pockets with creamer at the gas station when he filled his coffee mug daily.*

*Molly, his dog was his best friend.*

*The world won't be the same without him feeding his crows anymore.*

*Love ya Dad*

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**Stephanie** - April 19 at 06:56 PM

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“ *Steve was a great brother in law. Always enjoyed his kindness and company. Gail was so in love with Steve, we feel your sadness. His stepson Josh thought the world of him and was always there for him.*

*And we thank him for his service.*

*Carla and Dale Gardner.*

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**Dale Gardner** - April 18 at 10:47 AM



“ Love you Steve. You will always be remembered by me as a person with a wealth of knowledge who was willing to share it. You were an amazing husband to my mom Gail and gave her some of the best years of her life. You were kind and caring and willing to give a helping hand with whatever the task may be. My mom will be lost without you, but there isn't one bad memory we can all think of. Only great ones. Rest in piece with your family and friends that are up in heaven. Until we meet again.

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**Cody Schmitz** - April 18 at 10:18 AM

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“ He was born & raised in Illinois. My Dad met my Mother, Lesa, at a disco, he was age 26 & she 20. They married within a year, and a year later had me, they relocated to Colorado in the late 70s (I was a baby). He truly loved the state of Colorado. My sister was born there, my brother had his babyhood there, Colorado is dear to all our hearts I imagine like was to our Dad's. The 6 Grandchildren have names ... Rowan, Julien, Maci, Mylee, Thea, and Eleanor. He always had a dream of taking his Grandchildren “Bigfoot Hunting” in the forests of Oregon, where he lived before relocating to Mo this last few years of life. His family was not able to be with him, all out of state & not from the region. I know he wanted us to remember the Dad that loved travel & adventure, camping & being outdoors, riding horses and cleaning guns, fixing everything & anything, Seinfeld, and a motorcycle. He always referred to his “hero” being his Grandpa Jett. Stoic & calm would be the way I would describe you Dad. Thank you for raising me.

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**BrandiChampion** - April 18 at 04:03 AM

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“ Stephen Ray Duncan is the son of Haleah Jett not Jet. We are Jett's.

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**BrandiChampion** - April 18 at 03:24 AM