



Steven Clayton Neese

January 26, 1968 - October 21, 2020

Age 52, of Essex, IL, formerly of Wilmington, IL fought like hell against the devastating implications that cancer left behind and he eventually passed away on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee, IL. Born January 26, 1968 in Joliet, IL. He graduated from Wilmington High School with the class of 1986 and eventually received a degree in nursing from Kankakee Community College. Steve had a passion for the healthcare industry. Beginning from working at the Wilmington Fire Department as a paramedic and fireman, where he was also a certified diver, which he thoroughly enjoyed. He then moved onto to work primarily in the mental health field and did so in many institutions. Steve had a fantastic personality, his humor, quick wit, and positive spirit is what helped him be the best nurse, husband, dad, and son that is possible. He enjoyed the outdoors and loved fishing and camping. He was also an avid Chicago Bears and Cubs fan, but the teams and activities that his children participated in trumped everything. His children were the light of his life and he made sure they knew he loved them. If you were lucky to have met Steve, you know how giving up is not an option and that there is always good to be found in anything.

Surviving are his parents, William and Ethel (nee Howard) Neese of Wilmington; wife, Jessica (nee Barnes) Neese of Essex, whom he married October 14, 2018 in Essex; three children, Madilyn Neese of Limestone, Corbin and Conrad Neese, both at home; brother, Richard (Kelly) Neese of Symerton, IL; sister, Marsha (Keith) Barnes of Newport News, VA; sister-in-

law, Diane Neese of Bradley, IL; numerous nieces and nephews; mother-in-law, Joyce St. George of Braidwood; his "Nana", Julia Engel of Braidwood; and best-friend, Tim Frost of Kankakee. Preceding him in death were his brother, William "Billy" Neese; maternal grandparents, Avia and Golden Howard; paternal grandparents, Rosalie and Herman Neese; and father-in-law, John Barnes. Visitation for Steven will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood, Tuesday, October 27, 2020 from 4-8 p.m. All attendees are required to wear face masks and observe social distancing. Funeral services will also be at the funeral home on Wednesday, October 28 at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Wilmington. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name may be directed to the American Cancer Society or to his children to set up a fund for college. For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to www.rwpa-ttersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook.

Cemetery Details

Mt Olivet Cemetery- Wilmington

498 Kahler Road
Wilmington, IL 60481

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home
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Service

OCT **28**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

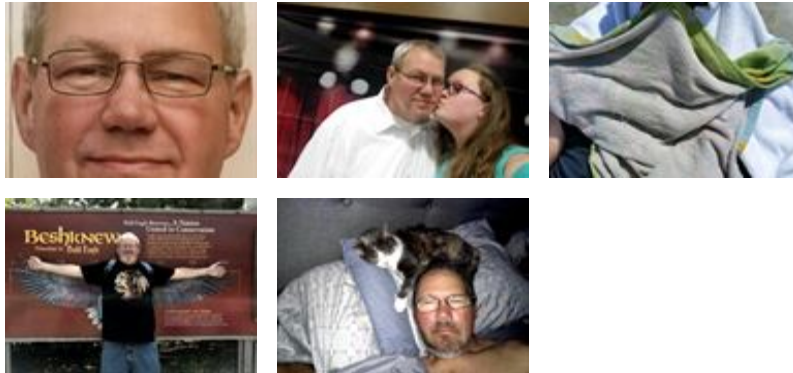
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“ Steve helped me out at one of the places that he worked at. And fought like no tommrow for me with the thing I was going through. I hated to see him leave it broke my heart. Jessica you were there also and thank you for all you did for me. I miss you guys so much. Rest in peace steve hugs from dawn stacy.

Dawn Stacy - October 28, 2020 at 04:55 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - October 26, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven Clayton Neese.



October 25, 2020 at 11:52 PM

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“ Steve was a great guy. So sad to hear of his passing. RIP brother we got it from here. Chrissy Clark Haren. Former Custer Park Fire member.

Christine Clarkharen - October 24, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of Stevie. I have not seen him since he was a small boy. We grew up together. I was a friend of his sister Marsha. I want to send my sympathy to Ethel. She was so kind to me. The whole family was special to me growing up. My prayers of comfort are with you.

Rose Roos Lopez - October 24, 2020 at 05:31 AM

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“ My heart is broken to hear about Steve. Several years ago Steve reached out to my family to help us with our son. Steve never hesitated to give of his time and go beyond his duties to help my son.
He shared with me shortly after he was diagnosed about his cancer. He said not to worry that he would always take care of him. Steve and I often talked about his family and Brunning school. Parents and family he loved you very much. R.I.P. Steve

Joan Erwin - October 23, 2020 at 10:53 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Steven Clayton Neese.



October 23, 2020 at 05:43 PM