



Mr. David Earl Steely

August 21, 1943 - February 6, 2025

David Earl Steely of Notasulga, AL, a decorated Army and Air Force Vietnam veteran, passed away on February 6, 2025 at the age of 81.

Born on August 21, 1943 in Williamsburg, Kentucky, David lived a life rich with service, adventure, and love.

David served with distinction in the United States Air Force, completing several tours of duty both overseas and stateside. His commitment to his country was unwavering, and his time in the military shaped many of his lifelong values. A world traveler, David embraced life to the fullest, forging deep connections wherever he went and a lasting impression on everyone he met.

David was a devoted husband and father. He was married to Mary Jean Steely for 26 years, and later to Rebecca Ann Steely for 20 years, before being widowed by both. His family was his greatest joy, and he cherished every moment spent with them.

An avid fisherman, David found great pleasure in bass fishing, a passion he carried throughout his life. His love of the outdoors and his love for his family were deeply intertwined.

David is survived by his daughters Carma Michele Moedl of Notasulga,

Alabama; Barbara Lynn Steely and son-in-law Travis Buck of Long Creek, South Carolina; Dawn Darragh and son-in-law Sean Darragh of Leander, Texas; grandchildren Matthew Xavier Moedl, Jacob Christian Moedl, Walker Caius Buck, Autumn Jean Darragh, Connell Jacob Darragh; and great-grandchildren Laramie Grace Moedl, Wednesday Rowan Moedl, and Morrigan Jean Darragh. His legacy will live on through the love and memories he leaves with his family and all those who had the privilege of knowing him.

A memorial service will be held this summer in Ohio. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Prisma Cottingham Hospice House, 390 Keowee School Rd., Seneca, SC 29672 (864-882-8940).

David's life was a testament to love, service, and the joy of family. He will be deeply missed.