



## Steve Eugene McCoy Sr.

October 22, 1949 - September 15, 2021

Steve Eugene McCoy, Sr-71- passed away Wednesday September 15, 2021 at his home.

Mr. McCoy was born in Nashville, TN, a son of the late Harold Eugene "Mack" McCoy and

Norma Jean Hendrickson McCoy Perigo.

Mr. McCoy was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War from 1967-1971 and also served in the US

Navy from August 1974- October 1975.

Survivors include his son, Steve Eugene McCoy, Jr (Maria), his mother Jean Perigo of Mobile,

AL, his bonus daughter, Lisa Gillespie (Chuck), bonus sons Chuck Sterling, Pat Sterling (Kim),

and Gary Sterling (Sheria). He is also survived by 17 grandkids, 4 great grandkids, a very

special love, Toni Sterling, a brother Tiffany McCoy (Linda), a sister Debbie McNickel, as well as

many nieces and nephews.

Mr. McCoy was preceded in death by his father, Harold McCoy.

Steve loved traveling and enjoyed visiting the mountains. He loved driving his truck and

collecting things.

A private family memorial celebration will be held at a later time.



# Tribute Wall



“ Steve, my dear brother, I pray the Lord will let you know and hear the cries of our hearts, our love and thankfulness for you!

*Father, please help us! Thank you for Steve! A precious life... A dear soul... A goodhearted boy and man... Gentle, caring, and non-vindictive, even though I was a such a mean little step sister! Yet, STEVE was always so good and kind to me. HOW I LOVED HIM!*

*He would protect me from bullies on the school bus! And, in the winter and deep snow, he would carry me on his shoulders to the end of the long driveway to wait for our bus—sometimes for a very, very long time, until we would be frost-bitten and realized it must be stuck in a snowbank earlier in the route and wasn't going to come for us. He'd manage to get us back up to the house for us to remove socks that had frozen to our feet, and gloves which had frozen to our hands... because, predictably, before we had become miserably frozen, we would have gotten them all wet making snowballs and getting each other good! Of course, with his gentle, tender-hearted ways, I have no doubt he would have taken it much easier on me than what I would have deserved!!!*

*I remember Steve and I going with mom (his step-mom) and Grandma Jacks to gather elderberries from a jungle of overgrown fence rows along nearby country roads. Juice and jelly making would soon ensue, and we'd all become involved in that process, too! Our foraging adventure had seemed wildly successful...until the next day or so when we ALL crammed into our small town doctor's office covered head to toe in miserable rashes from poison ivy!*

*When young, my son Chris got to enjoy a memorable adventure with Steve, riding from a meeting place back to our house, in his huge, bright, and shiny BIG RIG, when one of his trucking routes brought him through the Ozarks. They apparently enjoyed a quite lively and colorful conversation on that short jaunt together...as I would hear about bit by bit over the next several years!!! It surely did impress Chris and definitely endeared him to Chris's heart as Steve*

*was already solidly endeared to my own!*

*I know life was sometimes really hard on Steve. I am SO THANKFUL to know that now ALL hardships and pain have ceased, and only healing, and joy, and glory with Our GOOD, GOOD Father and the unfathomable, infinitely redeeming ways of Jesus, Our Savior, LOVER of Our Souls, are being lavished upon him from now and forevermore!*

*Lord, thank you for Steve... our dear and precious brother, father, grandpa, uncle, and friend!  
Until we join him...*

*All my love,  
Margie*

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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Steve Eugene McCoy Sr..*



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“ *We had not seen Steve since he was young but have many fond memories of him growing up. Our hearts and prayers go out to the family. May God bless and comfort you in this time of loss.*

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**Don and Diane McCoy** - September 21, 2021 at 04:02 PM