



## Stefan Grundstrom

March 15, 1952 - November 6, 2024

Stefan Grundstrom, age 72 passed peacefully on November 6, 2024 after a long struggle with vascular dementia. He was a resident of Sarasota since 2021 and previously of South Park, Pennsylvania.

Stefan was born March 15, 1952 100 miles north of the Arctic Circle (as he would often tell new acquaintances) in Kiruna, Sweden to Erik and Anne-Louise Grundstrom. Stefan became a licensed pilot in Sweden on his 16th birthday which was the youngest age one could qualify. After later serving as a fighter pilot in the Swedish Air Force, Stefan found himself in the USA (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) where he met his wife, Lynne.

Stefan truly was a man of many talents and a "Jack of All Trades." He worked as a coal-miner in Western Pennsylvania, a teacher with the local community college, obtained his U.S. Citizenship, then pursued a Bachelor's degree in Information Technology from the University of Pittsburgh, and later went on to working for Bettis / Bechtel, Sun Microsystems, and PNC Bank, where he retired in 2015. An avid shooter, he spent most Sundays at the local gun clubs shooting trap & skeet but mostly it was for hanging at the local bar afterward with his buddies.

Preceded in death by his parents, he leaves behind his devoted wife of 48 years Lynne Grundstrom and their daughter Kira (Henry) Kellner; sister Marie

(Torbjorn) Bodin; grandchildren Shane (Selina) Foley, Destinee Kellner & Isabella Kellner; and great-grandson Ian Foley.

To honor Stefan's last wishes, no funeral service will be held. Instead, the family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to a charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to hear of Stef's passing. He and I worked together for many years at both Bettis and Sun. He was a great guy and now that you've escaped the surly bonds of earth, Stefan, fly high my friend!

*My deepest condolences to your family who've truly lost a bright light in their lives. May God sustain them during this difficult time...*

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**Mike Neiser** - November 12, 2024 at 07:20 PM



“ I remember Stefan O. Grundstrom from interacting with him at Bettis. He was a very likable guy, always in good humor. I used to tease him, I called him "The Irish Swede!" (O'Grundstrom). He got a real kick out of that.

*He had some great stories about being a fighter pilot. I always admired him for that, because I had wanted to be a fighter pilot at one time. He was a great guy.*

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**George Silowash** - November 12, 2024 at 01:00 PM



“ Garden Accent - "Those we have held..." was purchased for the family of Stefan Grundstrom.



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November 08, 2024 at 07:28 AM

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“ We will never forget the most handsome Swedish Prince, Stefan Grunstrom!! All the fun times at Starbucks and Panera. Also one trip to Florida two years ago. Seems just like yesterday we saw you two there. Love to you Lynne and Family. Love Ralph and Connie

Connie and Ralph Donovan - November 07, 2024 at 06:44 PM

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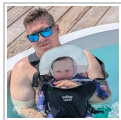
“ Lynne. I'll always remember the great times that we had at Starbucks in South Park. Stefan spoke about his days as a fighter pilot and any subject of the day. For around 10 years, we would go and enjoy our friends. Stefan will be painfully be missed, but our memories of him will forever be remembered , and cherished. Some time in the future, our coffee friends will be together again and we will be forever friends. We miss you . Tim Knopp

Timothy R Knopp - November 07, 2024 at 02:47 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathies to you and your family our prayers are with your whole family 🙏🥰🥺

pat and jim henderson - November 07, 2024 at 01:31 PM



I met Stefan when I started working at PNC Bank, around 20 years old. Stefan was a very kind and interesting person who always spoke highly about his daughter. He introduced my wife and I to shooting. Though I haven't talked to him in over a decade, he is one of those people that I could never forget. Fly high, Stefan!

Zack Zando - November 07, 2024 at 03:26 PM

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Where did 48 years go! Love Paula....sorry for your loss in our golden years and I know Stefan will be greatly missed

paula voelkel - November 07, 2024 at 04:21 PM