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Stephen John Becker (84) passed away peacefully on July 23, 2024, with family by his side.

Steve (lovingly referred to as Pop Pop) is survived by his children Michael Becker (Loretta), Laurie Harper, Kathleen Richards (Mike), Sue Ellen Frederick (Tom), and his companion Ellen Schwartz. He is also survived by his brother Jerry Becker (Georgia), his sister Joyce Carroll, sister-in-law Carol Becker, nine grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren (with another on the way in August), and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his wife of 54 years, Ellen Nierle Becker, his parents Clarence and Anna Mae Becker, his brother Bill Becker, and his nephew Billy Becker.

Upon graduating from high school in Pennsylvania, he signed up for the volunteer draft and was assigned to an Army Reserve unit for five years. Steve began his early career in Pennsylvania as an Insurance Investigator for Bethlehem Steel, and Fruehauf Corporation where he dealt with safety, security, and training.

He and his family moved to Culpeper, VA in 1976 where he worked for the Rochester Corporation, Jefferson Savings and Loan, and Klockner Pentaplast in their Human Resources departments.

In his retirement he remained active going to the gym, reading books on history and mountain lore, spending time with his extended family, and driving his 1954 Chevy. Steve loved classic cars, and mountain music. He made musical instruments called Stumpf Fiddles and enjoyed playing them and the guitar.

Steve was a generous and kind man with a great sense of humor, and he will be greatly missed. His family will cherish the memories of the many family trips to the Outer Banks, and the



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accompanying trips with the kids to the Red's Army and Navy store.

A private graveside service will be held later.



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John Greenaway posted:

I met Steve when I came to Rochester in 1980 as a young engineer to be in the newly created Management Training Group. Steve was instrumental in recruiting me away from DuPont in SC to that position, and ultimately I became the Facility Plant Engineer. Moving to Culpeper with my wife Glenda and infant son John Thomas really made me feel I was back home, as I grew up in Rappahannock County until I turned 16 when I was shipped off to prep school. Culpeper provided a perfect place to raise three sons. Thanks, Steve, for helping me get my career going, and for enabling my family have a wonderful life in Culpeper. May your soul rest in peace in the Hands of The Lord. John Greenaway

August 6 at 9:29 AM



Mike And Loretta Becker August 8 at 8:17 AM

He spoke very highly of you.



Jean Eustice lit a candle in honor of Stephen.



July 25 at 6:09 AM



Kathleen Richards posted:

There are so many memories that can be added. I just want to say what a great dad, husband, brother, and friend to anyone who knew him he was. He was kind, caring and generous, was always willing to lend a shoulder to cry on or share a laugh with. He was a family man loved by all of his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, as well as his nieces, nephews sisters and brothers. He will be missed by many.

July 24 at 9:55 AM



Lou & James Cabbage posted:

Steve was the nicest, kindest, person James and I ever met. Everyone who met him fell in love with him. We bless the day he came into our lives and will miss our Friday night dinners.

July 24 at 9:43 AM



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Loretta Becker shared 12 photos to the **Steve Becker photos** album.



July 24 at 6:22 AM



Sandy Alken July 25 at 7:01 AM

Beautiful tribute from the heart. I did not know him that well but I know you and Mike and that says it all. You guys are a special couple who has always been there for PopPop and every member of your family. Prayers and love ❤️❤️



Loretta Becker July 24 at 1:08 PM

My father-in-law was such a kind, generous, and warm human being. He took me into his fold from the start, and was such a good grandfather, and great-grandfather. Although he sometimes didn't go along with the parental boundaries. He was known to give icecream and tasty kakes for breakfast on sleepovers, buy phones and televisions for bedrooms before parents agreed to it, and buy interesting military paraphernalia on shopping trips with the children. But we forgave him because his heart was always in the right place 😊❤️

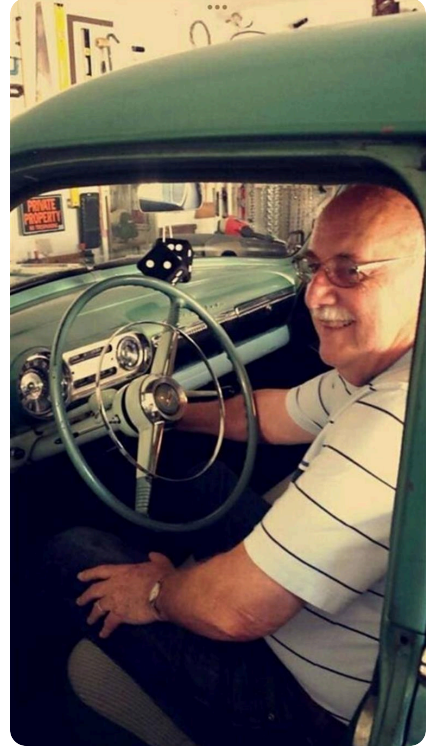


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Dad and his 1954 Chevy



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Dad jammin'



Pop Pop and Rowen



Pop Pop and Jen



Dad and his Stumpf Fiddle





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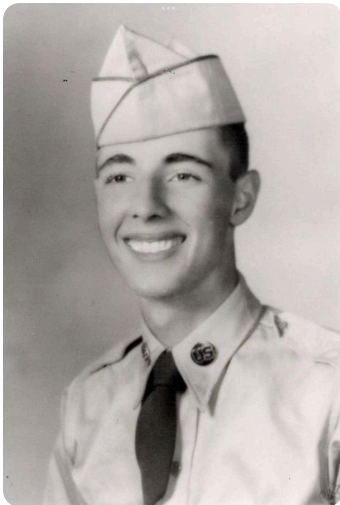
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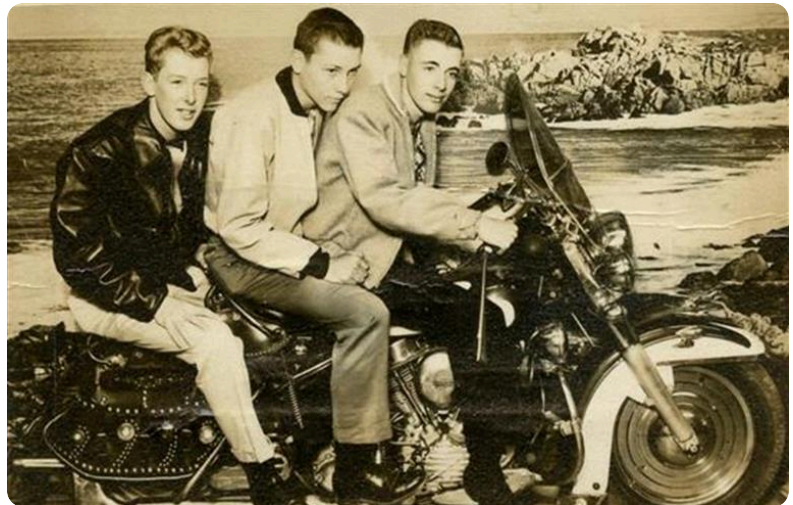
Pop Pop and Emelia



Pop Pop and Michael



Dad - Natl. Guard



Dad with Natl. guard buddies



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Stephen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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