



Steven Douglas Welling

March 2, 1977 - September 13, 2022

On the afternoon of Tuesday, September 13th, 2022, Steve Welling passed away in Fresno, California where he was being treated for esophageal cancer. He was 45 years old.

Steve was born in Indianapolis, Indiana. At six days old he moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he was raised, attending St. Vincent de Paul Grade School and Bishop Dwenger High School. During high school he moved with his family to Visalia, California, where he graduated from Redwood High School. Steve later attended College of the Sequoias and then received a Bachelor of Arts in Animation from California State University Fullerton. Following college he remained in Orange County where he lived until recently relocating back home to Visalia for cancer treatment.

Steve was an avid artist and comic book collector. He regularly attended animation and comic conventions throughout southern California with his son Gavin, his co-pilot in all things.

Steve is survived by his loving son Gavin; his mother Jan Willnow; his father Doug Welling; his step mother Sandy Welling; his brother Brandon Welling; his two nephews Max Welling and Louis Welling, and his niece Alia Welling. In accordance with Steve's wishes, he will be buried on October 10th at his family's plot in Visalia Cemetery. Friends and family are welcome for a small graveside service at 11:00am on October 10th.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillar.com

d.com.

Previous Events

Memorial

OCT **10**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall

Caren
Evans

“ 2 files added to the album Academy Locksmith



Caren Evans - October 10, 2022 at 04:25 PM



“ Classic Charcuterie Snacks Gift Set was purchased for the family of Steven Douglas Welling.



October 09, 2022 at 09:16 PM



“ Ameen Clark Roby purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven Douglas Welling.



Ameen Clark Roby - October 07, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ KD lit a candle in memory of Steven Welling



KD - October 04, 2022 at 09:47 PM

LM

“ Grandma Lori that is. 💜



Lori McGinn - October 04, 2022 at 01:47 PM

LM

“ Remembering Steve. My heart is heavy with loss. Steve was a wonderful dad. A good artist. Always so kind and giving towards me. I will miss him. May love surround his loved ones. May mercy fall upon them. Steve, light the way, as I light this candle. You are home now. Rest. Love, Lori



Lori McGinn - October 04, 2022 at 01:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steven Douglas Welling.



October 04, 2022 at 01:06 PM

AR

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of Steven. I worked with Steven for a long time, He was a funny & talented man. He loved his son Gavin #50 so much. Steven was a great co worker & friend, again my condolences to his family & friends.

Ameen Clark Roby - September 30, 2022 at 07:12 PM

DD

“ DD lit a candle in memory of Steven Douglas Welling



DD - September 30, 2022 at 03:45 PM

DD

“ I worked with Steve for several years and he will be missed. He was a calm guy that had his funny come backs. We shared many funny moments. He was so very proud of his son. Steve was always mentioning how talented his son is. He was a good guy and will be missed.

DD - September 30, 2022 at 03:45 PM

CE

“ Steven AKA "Buttercup" (long story) was a huge part of our work family at Academy Locksmith. He had a hilarious low key sense of humor and never failed to have a witty comeback when challenged. He was a gifted artist and had drawn many characterizations of me over the years, most had horns, pitchfork and a tail....I still have all of them. One thing we all knew about Steve is that he was a devoted Dad to his son Gavin, and he made sure his schedule allowed for any event or game that Gavin played in, we all got a rundown of anything Gavin did the next day. Steve's passing has left a huge hole for many of us, and we are thinking of his family every day.

Caren Evans - September 30, 2022 at 03:18 PM

RA

“ *My deepest condolences for the loss of Steven. I did not know him for long but I wish his family and friends will find peace and strength in each other during this hard time. - Raphael P.*

Raphael - September 30, 2022 at 03:08 PM

MR

“ *I worked with Steven and sat next him for the better part of the last 4 years. He was a great guy and very no-nonsense. We were always able to talk about movies and music. I remember lending him a movie from my collection that I thought he just had to see and in turn he would do the same. He never really talked about his personal life save for one thing he was always willing to talk about and that was his son. You could tell he was such a proud Dad. Condolences to his Family. He will be missed. - Mark R.*

Mark Rivera - September 30, 2022 at 02:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven Douglas Welling.*



September 27, 2022 at 12:25 PM

BB

“ Steve was my brother's friend in HS and after . He came mini golfing with us once for my 16th birthday. He was always nice to the little sister. I specifically remember his style and his green Doc Martens. I thought he was so " cool". Although I had not seen him in 20 years my family and I followed him on Facebook and it was apparent he never lost his unique style . We are sorry to hear about his passing and will remember him fondly.

Breanna Bergdorf - September 26, 2022 at 05:42 PM

LS

“ I, too, lost touch with Steve after high school, but always remember him fondly. He was so witty and talented! You are loved and missed, Steve.

Leslie Spencer - September 26, 2022 at 12:48 PM

ST

“ Lost touch with Steve since high school, so sorry to hear of your loss. Such a talented guy. Rest in peace.
-Steve Cates



STEVE - September 25, 2022 at 04:26 PM

BL

“ *Brandon and Wendy , Lock Jocks Locksmith purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Steven Douglas Welling.*



Brandon and Wendy , Lock Jocks Locksmith - September 23, 2022 at 11:10 AM

NS

“ *Great friend at bishop dwenger. Truly a huge loss. Always loved to see his drawings. He was amazing. I pray for his family and his son Gavin. So that they may find peace in the future. There are no words to comfort a loss like this. May God wrap his arms around Steve and his family. May he rest in peace. 🙏*
~Nicolas Soulier

Nicolas Soulier - September 22, 2022 at 11:50 PM