



## Steven "Steve" Luther Burton

November 7, 1950 - November 27, 2025

Steven "Steve" Luther Burton, age 75, of Parkville, Missouri, passed away on November 27, 2025. He was born on November 7, 1950.

Steve proudly served his country in the United States Army and was a Vietnam veteran. During his service, he was awarded the Bronze Star in recognition of his bravery and dedication. Following his military service, Steve continued his commitment to public service as a police officer, serving for many years and dedicating much of his career to protecting and supporting the Parkville community. His sense of duty, integrity, and fairness left a lasting impression on those he worked with and those he served.

An avid reader, Steve had a lifelong love of science fiction and history, with a particular passion for United States and world history and military topics- especially the Civil War. He also found great joy in tabletop war gaming and could often be found in local hobby shops, carefully painting figures, attending gaming events, and spending time with friends who shared his interests.

Steve was a loyal and generous friend to many, but above all else, he cherished his roles as a father and grandfather. His family was the center of his life, and he took great pride in each of them.

He was preceded in death by his father, Luther C. Burton; his mother, Eunice

Burton; his brother, Stuart Burton; and his sister, Victoria Burton.

Steve is survived by his children: Brian Burton; Karen (Greg) Duncan; Emily (Joe) Hensen; Elizabeth (Scott) Blackmer; and Paul Burton. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren: Cahlen Duncan, Abigail Blackmer, and Evelyn Blackmer. He leaves behind his sisters: Rebecca Newberry, Kathleen Cochran, Maureen Kraft, Pamela Williams, Cynthia Gastinger, and Rachel Staats, as well as several nieces and nephews.

At this time, no memorial services are planned. The family hopes to host a celebration of life in the spring, with details to be shared at a later date.