



Stephen L. Buescher

October 31, 1944 - November 8, 2019

Stephen ("Steve") Buescher passed away on Friday, November 8, at the age of 75. Born October 31, 1944, to the late Frederick and Evelyn Buescher, Steve grew up in Cleveland, graduating from Charles F. Brush high school in 1962. He received a BA in History from Allegheny College in Meadville, PA in 1966 and a Juris Doctor degree, Order of the Coif, from Case Western Reserve University Law School in 1969. Following graduation from law school, after joining Thompson Hine Law Firm in Cleveland, he enlisted in the United States Army's Judge Advocate General's Corps, serving at the JAG School in Charlottesville, Virginia. After his honorable discharge from the Army, he rejoined Thompson Hine, practicing federal, state, and local tax law. He was privileged to participate in a tax case heard by the US Supreme Court. Steve was an avid reader, especially of Civil War history, a model train enthusiast, a Cleveland Indians fan, a lover of Christmas, and, above all, a devoted family man. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Ila; his sister, Carol Santoro; his daughters Elizabeth (Rob Herron) and Susan (David Woodmansee); and three grandsons, Benjamin and Matthew Woodmansee and William Herron. According to Steve's wishes, funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (501 St. Jude Place; Memphis, TN 38105) or Allegheny College Annual Fund (520 N. Main Street; Meadville, PA, 16335). To send an online condolence, please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Stephen L. Buescher*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *My sympathies to the Buescher family on Steve's passing. I worked closely with Steve during his service to Bettcher Industries as in house council. He will be remembered for his dedication and service to Bettcher Industries and to the Bettcher family. He was a trusted advisor and the ultimate professional in all matters. We will be a making a donation in Steve's memory.*

*Tim McNeill
CFO
Bettcher Industries Inc.*

Tim McNeill - November 16, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to your entire family. Mr. Buescher was such a kind man. I remember his Friday pizzas and his deep, friendly voice. May God's peace, which passes all understanding, be with you in the days ahead as you morn.
With love, Susan Corradi Olmstead*

Susan Olmstead - November 13, 2019 at 08:25 PM



“ *I Would just like to say that I was a partner of Steve for many years and worked very closely with him on a number of important tax matters. He was a fine lawyer and, more important, a good person who was always in good humor. Bob Mone*

Bob Mone - November 13, 2019 at 07:02 PM

DM

“ Dear Ila, Beh and Susan It was a pleasure getting to know you and your family in Cleveland. We always loved seeing Steve and enjoyed his sense of humor. He was a big man with a big heart. Steve touched a lot of people in many ways, and the world will miss him terribly. Life will never be the same. We share your sorrow and send loving thoughts and prayers to the entire family. Don and Sally Messinger

Don and Sally Messinger - November 11, 2019 at 08:49 PM

JH

“ Our heartfelt and sincerest condolences go out to Ila, Beth, Susan, and Carol. So very sad to hear of Steve's passing. I know the days ahead will be difficult and we are thinking about you during these times. Please let us know if we can do anything to help.

Sincerely,
Bain, Cyndie, Ansley & Warner Herron

Joel Herron - November 11, 2019 at 06:34 PM

JM

“ To Ila & the girls, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I never met your hubby/dad but I share in your sorrow. It's been a long time since we jazzercised together but they are good memories. Ila, if you are ever back in Cleveland give me a call. I'm out of the chocolate business but would enjoy a chat over a cup of coffee. You are in my thoughts fondly, Joanne Mroz

joanne s mroz - November 11, 2019 at 11:42 AM

MM

“ Susan,
Your family is in my thoughts during this difficult time of saying
goodbye to your father. May you find peace in celebrating his life.
Mandy McNamara

mandy mcnamara - November 10, 2019 at 09:09 PM

SR

“ Susan, I am so sorry about the sudden loss of your father and your
children's grandfather. I feel like I know him through you. You have
one of the kindest hearts I know. It seems that your father did as
well. I honor the beautiful life that he lived and the wonderful family
he raised. Much love to you and your family.
Sandy Reed

Sandy Reed - November 10, 2019 at 08:55 PM



Veronica
Talarico

“ My sincere condolences to the Buescher Family. A memory that I
have is a visit one time, they came and we were standing in his
sisters driveway saying hello and talking a little but Stephen was
being silly & we had a laugh . I think it may have been something to
do with it being around Halloween, but that really doesn't matter ,
what did matter was what a beautiful person he is with his smile &
how nice he was . I even had the pleasure to meet other members
of the family & his mom & dad too. Each one just as nice . You all
now have a smiling angel beside you, one you can't see but will
always be there, I also believe he would want to see each of you
smile and not have tears . Sincerely, Ronnie

Veronica Talarico - November 10, 2019 at 08:46 PM

SH

“ Susan,
I am so sorry for loss. Sending many prayers of comfort and peace
to your family.
Hugs,
Sarah Hacker

Sarah Hacker - November 10, 2019 at 06:17 PM

SC

“ Susan. I am sorry for your loss. It is obvious what a wonderful man
your dad was because he has such a wonderful family. Love and
hugs for all of you!

Suzie Cooper - November 10, 2019 at 05:54 PM