



Steven Heyman

February 21, 1953 - February 22, 2023

Dr. Steven D. Heyman died on February 22, during a snorkeling trip to Crystal River, Florida, with his wife, Michele Whaley, to celebrate his 70th birthday. He lived an inspired and creative life filled with adventures he shared with his wife, grandchildren, children, and friends.

A dedicated sailor, Steve navigated the Great Lakes, the Erie Canal, the Hudson River, and the Atlantic and Caribbean Seas throughout his life. His love for the water began in his youth on the shores of Long Island. He built his first sailboat in high school, often sailing along Alum Creek.

Steve expressed creativity in art. He was a painter. He discovered a love for bronze casting and ceramics as a student at the Columbus Cultural Center. Eventually, he focused on woodworking.

Alongside Michele, they made annual sports-adventure trips, including skiing with their granddaughters in the Pacific Northwest, adventure hikes through southwestern deserts, and kayaking in tropical destinations. They sailed on Lake Erie from spring through late Fall, and

when on land, they'd be riding their bikes throughout Ohio and beyond. Steve rode in Pelotonia

from 2015-2021. He walked his beloved Gordon setters in Columbus' Park of Roses daily.

Survived by his wife Michele Whaley, daughters Jodi Heyman and Halle Heyman; son-in-law

Joshua Levitt, grandson Jack, and former wife Marcy Heyman; stepchildren Alex Kolodzik,

grandchildren Taylor, Katie, Ella Kolodzik, Dr. Kirsten (Rafe) Kusumi, and grandson Kai; and his

sisters Marsha Friedman and Diana Giles. Steve was preceded in death by his parents and his

brother Daniel.

Son of Dr. Jack J. Heyman and Lena "Lee" Heyman, Steve was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on

February 21, 1953.

Steve graduated from Eastmoor High School in 1971 and attended Miami University, majoring in

Zoology before studying Podiatric Medicine at The Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine.

A dedicated podiatrist, from 1980 to 1998, he ran two practices and could often be found caring

for elders in regional nursing homes, taking care of their feet and filling them with laughter and

youthful stories.

His family is hopeful, wherever Steve's spirit transcends, that he reunites with his brother Daniel,

his parents, and his beloved line of Gordon setters. He finally finds a crumb cake that lives up to

the memory of the one his grandparents, Bernie and Carrie Heyman, would bring from

Sunnyside Queens to their Islip home every Sunday morning. And the winds are favorable for a long sail into the sunset.

The Memorial Service is Sunday, March 5, 2023, with calling hours starting at 2 PM at

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High Street, Worthington, OH 43085. In place of flowers, please make donations in the name of Dr. Steven D. Heyman to Pelotonia <http://www.pelotonia.org/profile/IS845807>.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR 5. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Steven Heyman



Rutherford Funeral Homes - March 03, 2023 at 12:09 PM

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Baby girl , Lauren Faye heyman, Mama, Cheryl bandy heyman,daddyo, Daniel Berry heyman, rest now in your earthly body, rejoice in spirit soul with Jesus Christ our Lord King of Kings Lord of lords, sept16 2025 read it.

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Glamper Jan

“ Steve was an excellent Captain of the My Destiny sailboat. My daughter and I enjoyed the ride around the Huron lighthouse this past summer. Mickey was a great First Mate. Steve sure enjoyed his boat and the dogs. Rest in Peace.

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Steven Heyman.



March 01, 2023 at 09:03 PM