



## Stephen Rhea Sturgeon

October 8, 1951 - August 22, 2016

Stephen Rhea Sturgeon, 64, of Ellettsville, passed away Monday at the IU Health Bloomington Hospital. Steve was born on October 8, 1951 in Bloomington, Indiana; he was the son of Wesley Eugene Sturgeon and Patricia and William Nicely.

Steve had worked for RCA and recently retired from the Ellettsville Journal after 28 years of service. He loved writing and enjoyed covering high school sports. He was an avid IU sports fan.

Steve is survived by his loving wife Linda Sturgeon of Ellettsville; daughter Kelly Sturgeon of Bloomington; two step-daughters Dana Winklepleck Hunley (Bob) of Dugger and Stacy Winklepleck of Ellettsville; five grandchildren Kirstin Bryant, Tyler Bryant, Caleb Trader, Jacob Trader and Ashlyn Hunley; and one uncle Sam Hunsaker.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of life will be held 2pm Sunday, September 11, 2016 at the KRC Banquet & Catering in Ellettsville, 5660 Hwy 46.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Monroe County Sports Hall of Fame in memory of Steve.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I always enjoyed talking with Steve after Edgewood sporting events. He was always so sharp on what was going on in the sports world and while he had his pride in the Indiana Hoosiers, Cincinnati Reds, and Edgewood Mustangs, it was so much fun to pick his brain about other big events in the world. Steve was always genuine and showed his passion for journalism and representing the Ellettsville community with the utmost prestige. Whether it was after a win or a loss, I knew that I could always talk to Steve and he would put things in perspective from the other side of the court or field. Our community is a better place today because of Steve's efforts. He will be dearly missed but his legacy will continue for many years to come.

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