



Darwin Dean Stengaard

November 22, 1946 - March 11, 2016

Darwin Stengaard of Fort Collins passed away on 3/11/2016. He was 69 years old. After long battles with COPD and Lung Cancer, Darwin passed away peacefully on his own terms, remaining active till the end.

Darwin was born in Carroll, Iowa to Naomi (Scott) and Earl Stengaard. He moved to Colorado when he was 4 years old.

He received his education in Loveland. As a child, he was active in FFA and AG. He received his diploma as a GED through the Military and is recognized with the Loveland class of 1965. Dar served as a Tank Crewman in the United States Marines from 1964-1968. For his service in Vietnam and on a Mediterranean Cruise, he received numerous Medals and Honors and was Honorably discharged as a Sergeant E-5.

Following his Military service, he began working in the Mobile Home Industry progressing through service, sales, and management. While living in Fort Morgan for 10 years he was owner in Action Yamaha selling recreational vehicles. Darwin found his ultimate career as a MAC Tool Distributor for the Fort Collins area for 22 years, retiring in 2010. He excelled throughout his career receiving multiple awards for his accomplishments.

Darwin married Colleen (Heimbigner) in August of 1970. They were happily

married for over 45 years. Colleen and Darwin were business partners and loved to spend time together playing with their recreational vehicles. They were very active in outdoor activities, specifically the Larimer County (Mountaineers) 4-Wheel Drive Club.

He was preceded in death by his Parents and Grandparents. Darwin is survived by his wife, Colleen. His two brothers, Richard (Wyvonna) Stengaard, Roger Stengaard. In-laws; Marie (Ron) Hein, Janet (Jim) Winkler, Patricia (Calvin) Wertz. Nieces and Nephews; Scott (Lisa and Gabriel) Stengaard, Steph Stengaard, Jessica Aguayo, Rob (Debbie and Cody) Hein, Jeff (Lisa, Michaela and Micah) Hein, Zachary Wertz, Shiloh Wertz.

A Celebration of Life will be March 18th 2:00-6:00 pm at 221 East County Road 66, Fort Collins (Intersection of County Road 15 and 66). In lieu of Flowers the family requests donations made to:

American Legion Honor Guard: The American Legion National Headquarters
700 N. Pennsylvania St., P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206

or

Mountaineers 4x4 Club: P.O. Box 1225, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522-1225

or

American Lung Association: 5600 Greenwood Plaza Blvd, Greenwood Village,
CO 80111

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

Stengard Service
221 E. County Road 66
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Tribute Wall



“ Darwin Dean Stengaard

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



It's been over 28 years since I stepped on Darwin's tool truck. I've thought of him often and miss the days of bantering and bickering with him, always in good fun. He was one of those guys that was so easy to like and instantly become friends with.

Steve Ulrey - December 21, 2025 at 02:19 AM

DS

“ I will miss the Celebration of Darwin's Life today. I always think of Darwin and Colleen at the same time. I have very fond memories of how they helped this "kid" at Franklin's motorcycle shop in Greeley. We had a lot of fun back then and I will always cherish those memories. Dale Schnathorst

Dale Schnathorst - March 18, 2016 at 02:07 PM

DS

“ Dale Schnathorst lit a candle in memory of Darwin Dean Stengaard



Dale Schnathorst - March 18, 2016 at 02:00 PM

SF

“ *Sandi Fellows lit a candle in memory of Darwin Dean Stengaard*



Sandi Fellows - March 16, 2016 at 03:48 PM

SF

So much a part of our family.....just like a brother you teased, laughed & fought for me. All of 'us fellows' and Arndts will miss you. We treasure the memories.

Sandi Fellows - March 16, 2016 at 03:51 PM

MI

“ *Wheeling will never be the same without you there Darwin, The banter back and forth between you and Bob, giving him crap about his Toyota. We will miss you more then words can describe.*

Michelle - March 15, 2016 at 09:37 PM

MI

“ *Michelle lit a candle in memory of Darwin Dean Stengaard*



Michelle - March 15, 2016 at 09:31 PM

CH

“ *Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Darwin*
Dean Stengaard



Chrissy - March 14, 2016 at 10:45 AM