



## Stephen Russell Ziegenhagen

July 4, 1953 - October 21, 2014

Stephen "Steve" Ziegenhagen; affectionately known as "Zieg" 61 of Fort Collins, Colorado died October 21, 2014 at Poudre Valley Hospital. A celebration of Steve's Life will be held at 11:00 AM Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at American Baptist Church, 600 S Shields St., Ft. Collins. Interment will be in West Lawn Cemetery, Gering, Nebraska.

Stephen Russell Ziegenhagen was born July 4, 1953 in Cheyenne, Wyoming. He grew up in Fort Collins and graduated in 1971 from Poudre High School. After High School, Steve worked as a fire fighter for the U. S. Forest Service in Colorado and Alaska. For the past 20+ years he has worked with his cousin, Rob Shotwell at the Fig Leaf Furniture Store in Fort Collins.

Steve was the guy to call whenever someone needed a hand. He knew how to fix just about anything, and if he didn't know how, he would learn how. Steve was a longtime member of the Northern Colorado Rod and Gun Club and did a stint as a radio show host. Together with his friends Carlos Sala and Paul Martin, he hosted the show called The Revolution on KHNC Radio. He enjoyed putting on, for many years, the Scream Theme Haunted House in the Mall.

Steve was preceded in death by his brother, Jerry Clausen and his mother, Leona Ziegenhagen.

He is survived by his sister, Donna Rickett of North Platte, NE; his brother, Mike Ziegenhagen (and Debby) of San Rafael, CA; his nephew, Devlin Ziegenhagen; his cousin Rob and wife Laura Shotwell, Aunt Dorothy Shotwell, and Aunt Beth Joder of Fort Collins and Aunt Doris Shotwell of Loveland and many other relatives: cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends who loved him from both near and far.

# Cemetery Details

## West Lawn Cemetery

1100 Cemetery Drive  
Gerhing, NE 69341

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT 28. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (MT)

American Baptist Church  
600 South Shields Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80521

# Tribute Wall



“ *Stephen Russell Ziegenhagen*

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October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *My Daughter and Son-in-Law, Vicki and Gary Lee and their children will miss Zieg very much, as they spent a lot of time together. He was a part of their family and I am happy to say, I have met him on several occasions. I just saw him last month when I was visiting my kids in Fort Collins and I got a wonderful hug goodbye from him, as usual. He also attended my youngest daughter's and my birthday in July and we so enjoyed him being there. He will leave a void in many peoples lives. May you find comfort knowing he was loved by so many.*

*Penny Wages  
Denver, CO*

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**Penny Wages** - October 28, 2014 at 07:25 PM

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“ Too many to list. They all began when Leona, Jerry, Steve and Mike moved to Fort Collins during the summer of 1961. There were 9 of us living in a 900 sq ft house with one bathroom. We hiked, camped, skied (sp), swam, ice skated, goofed off, argued, and celebrated all birthdays and holidays together. If Steve was in town when I came home for visits, he was usually the first person, other than my family, that I saw. He helped my Dad with almost every project Dad worked on. I was sooooooooooooo proud of his fire fighting and working with Parks. Steve always became a leader in whatever he did. He was a lovable, huggable, caring teddy bear with an obnoxious opinionated, stubborn streak; but no one ever noticed the latter because you just loved him too much. I miss him already, but I have to remember he's in a better place--and so I can't be selfish. I love you Steve, and I always will. Mary Shotwell Schumm

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**Mary Shotwell Schumm** - October 24, 2014 at 11:33 PM

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“ Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Stephen Russell Ziegenhagen



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**Chrissy** - October 24, 2014 at 01:15 PM