

STEVEN A. WHITLOCK

It is with great sadness; we share the death of Steven A. Whitlock. After a long fight with cancer, he passed away peacefully on April 18th with good friends at his side. Many thanks to all who cared for him at West Penn's E8 unit. They made his last several days as comfortable as possible and assisted several with seeing and talking with him for one last time.

Steve was born June 5, 1953, in Richlands, Virginia to Gara Mae Burkhalter. He was later adopted by his birth Mother's best friend, Lucy Whitlock and her husband, Fulton. He was raised as their only child in Allison, a small community south of Brownsville, PA.

Steve is survived by close friend, Lois Manley of Pacheco, CA and by several recently re acquainted family members including brother, Michael Lisman of Cleveland, Ohio. Steve will also be missed by an untold number of good friends. Even though he never had children of his own, his legacy should be considered all the friends he has made over the years. Steve was a People-Person. He touched lives and made friends everywhere he went. He also had a knack for bringing people together and assisting them in forging lasting friendships and/or relationships that will endure for years to come.

For as much as Steve was a people person, he was also someone who took great pride in helping others. His biggest achievement in that area was his career as a City of Pittsburgh Paramedic and ultimately a Motorcycle Paramedic. He loved helping the various people he got to meet during that time in his life. He also excelled in assisting others to see the benefit and wisdom of his ideas. With his love of motorcycles, he thought the idea of a Motorcycle Paramedic would be a great addition to the Paramedic program that was up and running in the city. Ultimately, he bent many ears and encouraged enough other people to see the benefits such a program could offer. The idea was ultimately considered and finally put into motion. Of course, Steve was one of the first to sign up to become a Motorcycle Medic.

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