



## Stephen Francis Kosman

February 3, 1963 - September 26, 2025

Stephen “Steve” Francis Kosman, age 62, of Albia, IA, passed away on Friday, September 26, 2025, at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, IA.

Steve was born on February 3, 1963, at the hospital in Centerville, IA, to Francis Joseph and Helen Margaret (Johnson) Kosman. He grew up attending school and graduated from Albia High School with the Class of 1981. He then went to Indian Hills Community College where he studied Diesel Mechanics. In 1992, Steve began dating the love of his life, Debbie Cochran. They shared 33 years together prior to his passing.

Steve had a lifelong career as a skilled mechanic. While in high school, he worked for Castings Standard gas station and later at the Lovilia Trading Post. He then went to work for Foodliner as a mechanic before going to work at Duea Motor Company. He most recently worked as a mechanic for the Monroe County Secondary Roads Dept. before retiring.

Steve loved spending time outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, and tending to his vegetable garden. He also enjoyed raising Beagles and Terriers which he sold all over the state, with his favorites being Bobo and Jake. He was an avid Nascar fan with his favorite drivers being Dale Earnhardt and Dale Earnhardt Jr. Steve enjoyed cooking, especially grilling and deep-frying turkeys. He was a very talented mechanic who could fix anything. He was a

generous man with a big heart and was always willing to help anyone in need.

Steve is survived by his wife, Debbie Cochran of Albia; his siblings, Marlene Kosman of Albia, Peggy (John) Brothers of Columbia, MO, Barb Kosman of Albia, Pat (Lynda) Kosman of Albia, and John (Janet) Kosman of Iconium; and a sister-in-law, Susan Kosman of Creston. Steve is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Francis and Helen Kosman; a brother, Mike Kosman; a sister in infancy; 2 nephews, James and Chris Kosman; and a great nephew, Cody Kosman.

A private family Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia followed by a burial at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Albia.

Memorials have been established to the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics Cancer Research Fund and Palliative Care Fund.

Cards of condolences can be sent to Steve's family c/o Tharp Funeral Home, 116 Benton Ave. West, Albia, IA 52531.

# Cemetery Details

## **Mt. Pleasant Cemetery**

Albia, IA 52531

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sympathy to the Kosman family! Know he will be missed by all of you.*

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**Rose Mary Scott** - October 08, 2025 at 09:42 AM

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“ *Very sorry to hear of Steve's passing. I was a classmate of Steve's. My sympathies to his family. 🙏*

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**Teresa Kostelecky** - October 07, 2025 at 04:48 PM