

*Stephen Douglas MacKellar*

*April 1, 1968 - June 30, 2023*

Stephen Douglas MacKellar, born on April 1, 1968, in Royal Oaks, MI, passed away June 30, 2023, in Wheeling, WV, at the age of 55.

He was baptized May 29, 1987 at Zion Lutheran Church in Ferndale, MI and confirmed on May 29, 1987 at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Moorhead, MN. He graduated from Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. Steve enlisted in the Army while in high school and served for over 37 years, retiring in March 2023 with the rank of Master Sergeant. He was a dedicated soldier who served two tours in Afghanistan with the Army Reserves. His commitment to his country was commendable, and he will be remembered for his service and sacrifice.

Beyond his military career, Steve had a variety of interests. He found joy in music, cars, model planes, and DIY projects. These hobbies allowed him to express his creativity and indulge in his passion for craftsmanship.

Steve was a devoted son, and he is preceded in death by his father, William J. MacKellar. He leaves behind a loving family and friends who will deeply miss him. His mother, Darlene A. Nelson, and step-father, Robert Nelson of Rochester, MN; mourn his loss alongside his sisters, Vicki (Will) Jacobsen of Rochester, MN; Nancy MacKellar of Duluth, MN; and Julie (Josh) Noe of Wauwatosa, WI. He is also survived by four nieces and two nephews.

Memorial contributions can be made to the “Folds of Honor” organization, an institution that supports the families of fallen and disabled veterans. Donations can be made at [www.foldsofhonor.org](http://www.foldsofhonor.org) ensuring that Steve’s legacy continues to make a difference in the lives of those who served.

Stephen Douglas MacKellar will forever be remembered for his dedication, his diverse interests, and the love he shared with his family and friends. May his memory be a blessing.