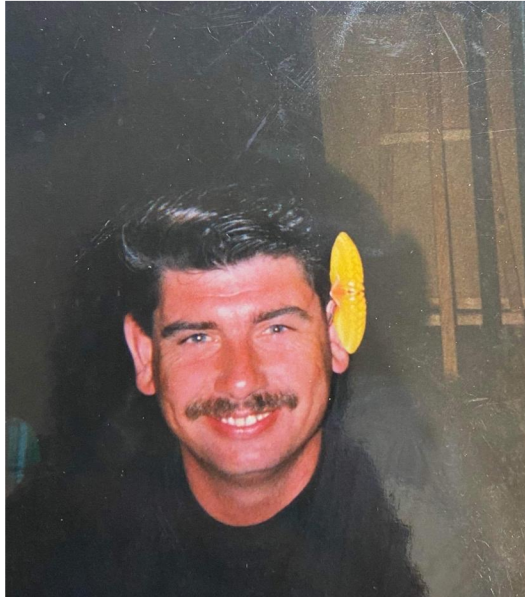


Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Stephen Paul Hancock

8TH March 1954 - 26TH December 2023

Service held at Grenoside Crematorium, North Chapel
Friday, 26th of January 2024 at 1pm

STEPHEN PAUL HANCOCK

Although it's heartbreaking for us to admit it Steve passed away on St Stephens Day (26th December 2023) aged 69, bizarrely ironic as his favourite number was 69 and he always thought he was a saint!

Steve's biggest accomplishment was his family. His long-suffering wife Debbie and 3 children Alex, Brooke and Greg and their significant others Dan, Mark and Vicky. Not to mention his 6 grandchildren Alicia, Macy, Max, Poppy, Emmie and Jax, all of whom he truly adored.

Steve realised from quite an early age that he didn't much enjoy being told what to do (understatement of the year), and soon became his own boss as the Managing Director of United Cranes Services and later he became the 'top bar-steward' of the Rat Pack Bar.

Steve did not (nor would he have wanted to) live an average life. He did exactly what he wanted when he wanted. He travelled far and wide (smoking restrictions permitting), had the most wicked sense of humour, and not forgetting that laugh! Steve loved to be funny, to make us all laugh, to see us all happy! Partly because he was mischievous, but mainly because he loved us all, so very much.

Steve's last day was at home, with all of us, celebrating Christmas and making memories, just as he had wanted. He gave a speech, opened presents, gave Debbie her traditional 'surprise' jewellery gift bag and used the ever-essential tiny screwdriver from the Christmas cracker to fix a toy (one that he had already 'fixed' earlier that day). After what had been a crazy, fantastic, dys'fun'ctional, typical Hancock day, Steve wanted to go to bed. However, not before telling us off for messing up the TV, and asking for a glass of red wine.

There will never be another man like him, he was truly one of a kind and we will forever have a huge part of us missing.

Hank's Rules

1. Pork pies have to be Percy Turner's and can only be served with HP brown sauce. This is non- negotiable.
2. Any static shocks you may have experienced, are your own fault and are not as a result of any electrical work that he may have completed.
3. Watch TV as little or as often as possible, however shows must include but are not limited to, Dad's Army, Heartbeat, Only Fools and Horses, Walker Texas Ranger and Soccer AM.
4. All outfits must consist of, comfortable shoes, a warm fleece, a flat cap and a bag to store all of the essentials (Toothpicks, Gorilla glue and a cheeky 'cig').
 5. Gorilla glue can fix everything.
 6. Don't pick a fight with him he has a black belt in Karate!
 7. The beer must always be cold and the bar well stocked.
 8. Family is the most important thing.
 9. NO BIG PRAWNS, tiny ones only.
10. Always toast to one thing, 'To the regiment I wish I was there.'



APPRECIATION

Our lives have just completely fallen to pieces and we are still just so unsure what to do, but as a family we have truly appreciated your kindness and it has been lovely to hear your memories. Thank you for your cards, flowers and for all the times you have just stood still thinking about him and us.

Please come and join us to reminisce and give Steve the send-off he deserves.

Refreshments will be served after the service at:

The Market Inn
2 Wentworth Road
Elsecar, S74 8EP

DONATIONS

Steve had so much respect for our troops and for all those who made the ultimate sacrifice to protect us. The Remembrance Sunday parade was so very important to him and he made sure he attended every year. Therefore any donations received will be sent to the Royal British Legion in his memory.