



## Steve Clayton

December 3, 1945 - March 3, 2021

St. George, Utah – Steve Clayton, 75, passed away on March 3, 2021, in St. George, Utah at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on December 3, 1945, in Martinez, California to David and Louise Clayton. He married Pamela Kay Smart in Salt Lake City, Utah on June 4, 1968. Flying like a Free Bird and singing to the tune of Sweet Home Alabama, Steve has returned home. It was too early to Enter Sandman, and we are both saddened and grateful for his leaving this Earth. His pain was so great, he is now Surfin' Safari in the warmth of the golden sun.

Watching baseball and listening to music were always something he was involved in. Playing air guitar and air conducting the orchestra made him a band member in all of his favorite groups. Making and eating pizza were the favorite of his careers, and more importantly, seeing and talking to people at the Pizza Cutter always created a smile, and put a pep in his step. Fishing on Montana's Stillwater may be one of his most memorable experiences. The River helped shaped his bonds with his dad and brother, which, as he progressed in life, he let flow into creating his life.

Spending time with family, laughing, and reviewing his life is how he spent his last days here on Earth. He asks you to celebrate, play air guitar and enjoy the Peaceful Easy Feeling as you remember him!

He is survived by: spouse, Pam; Nikki Nelson (Andrew) St. George, Utah; Chris Clayton (Brandi) Washington, Utah; and Kaytee Clayton St. George, Utah; Grandchildren Tanner, McKinlie, Carter, Hunter, and Kambrie; Brother Roger Clayton; Father in Law Dale Smart.

He was preceded in death by: Grandson Oliver B.C. Clayton; Parents David and Louise Clayton; Brother Philip Clayton; Mother in Law MarJean Smart.

The family would like to thank Encompass Hospice, especially Carla and Tammy for their tender care.

There will be a Celebration of Life, Steve's way with food and rock n' roll, it will be held this Saturday, March 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Please message the family for location if you'd like to attend.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at [www.SerenityStG.com](http://www.SerenityStG.com). Arrangements and memorial tree planting by Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 6. 1:00 PM.

[Message Family for Details](#)

# Tribute Wall

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“ My name is Dave Davis. i was very sorry to read about Steve's passing. I met Steve in a basketball pick up game in 1964 at BYU. Steve was hard to miss. We began talking and discovered we were both from Montana and lived in the same dorm. We became very good friends. We hung out most weekends which included trips to Salt Lake City, just goofing around, and trips to Lagoon for concerts. It was easy to find Steve's room, all you had to do was figure out which room the sound of the Beach Boys were coming from.

In 1965 I transferred to the University of Montana. One night Steve showed up at my door and we spent the night reminiscing about some of the things we did. This was the last time I talked to Steve. Without going into detail, I believe Steve literally saved my life during one of our weekend shenanigans at BYU.

*My sincere condolences to his wife and family.*

*Your friend,  
Dave*

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**Dave Davis** - March 27, 2021 at 05:52 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steve Clayton.



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March 05, 2021 at 02:10 PM

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“ Pam,

*Upon hearing the news of Steve passing away this morning, I had some thoughts come to me that I felt to share with you.*

*One of the things I remember about Steve is how interested he was in baseball cards. He also took to me with my interest in baseball cards and card collecting. I remember one morning when we were down in St. George, I came over to your house and he and I had agreed to open up some packs of baseball cards. It wasn't long after opening a number of packs that I had opened up the pack with all the good cards in it. It didn't mean a whole lot to me as a kid, but what I could remember is the excited look on his face from what I had just opened. I remember opening a number of packs of cards that day with him and just enjoyed spending that time with him. He also surprised me and gave me a set of cards in sleeves and a binder that was a duplicate of others that he had. I remember thinking how cool it was that he would do that for me and I still have that set of cards to this day.*

*Another thing that I remember is being able to work with you and Steve and your family at pizza cutter. I can still remember those red aprons we all wore and you asking me to do jobs of filling up the ice among other things. I also LOVED the pizza there and remember how cool it was to eat a fresh slice of it. I remember how much a part of things I felt with you guys allowing me to work with you.*

*One other memory that comes to mind is one where we were at and Marcia's house in Kamas a number of years ago. All I can remember was that he and I had agreed to do a tug-of-war competition between just the 2 of us. Sure enough, my whole plan ended up backfiring on me as when both of us were pulling pretty good, I let go of the rope and caused him to fall down on the ground. What I thought was going to be funny was definitely not so funny to him. I remember him being very frustrated with me, but after a little bit of time, I remember us both getting over it and*

*forgiving each other.*

*I thought to just share these thoughts with you Pam and hope you know I appreciate you, Steve, and your family. I wish you all the best at this time and hope you can all feel comfort from the love and support from us all around you.*

*With love,*

*Your Nephew, Ryan Tucker*

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**Ryan Tucker** - March 05, 2021 at 12:13 AM

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“ *Oh he was fun to be around, we visited daily when I got back from lunch while he waited for his sweetheart Pam, to pick her up. He always had something funny to say or something loving to say about his sweet wife! I'm glad I got to know him for the short time I did. Love you Pam, Your friend , Donna*

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**Donna** - March 04, 2021 at 10:46 PM