



## Steven Leland Hensel

October 7, 1955 - December 2, 2021

Steven Leland Hensel, 66, of Huntington, passed away at 1:34 am Thursday, December 2, 2021, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, IN.

Steven was born on October 7, 1955, in Beloit, WI., the son of Lee Hensel and Rita (Esse) Hensel. He graduated from Milton High School in Milton, WI. with the class of 1973. He proudly enlisted in the United States Army for 5 years and served during the Vietnam War. He was stationed in Germany where he met the love of his life Astrid M. Lehnhardt at a music concert. They married on September 11, 1976, in Nuremberg Germany. In December of 1977 he left the Army with an honorable discharge and moved to Janesville Wisconsin. He first worked at various other jobs, then started at the Janesville GM plant for 2 years. When the Fort Wayne Indiana plant was built, he moved his family from Wisconsin to Indiana in 1986 to help start it up, and where his wife Astrid became an American citizen. Steven retired October 2014 after 30 years of service. He owned Steve's Guns & Ammo shop for many years. He was a member of the NRA and UAW Local 2209. Steve enjoyed being an exhibitor at gun shows, hunting, swimming at the Warren United Methodist Home, carpentry work and going fishing with his kids. One of his passions, for model airplanes and remote-control toys led him to build a hobby house on their property. He loved to take his wife out on dates and spend as much time as possible with his family.

Survivors include his loving wife of 45 years, Astrid M. Hensel of Huntington, son, Michael L. (Liz) Hensel of Stafford, VA. daughter, Christine E. (Christian) Clark of Ft. Wayne, IN. granddaughters, Sabela Medina, Noalani Larsen, sister, Diane Hensel-Champion of Edgerton, WI. brothers, Leland (Cathie) Hensel of Janesville, WI. Paul (Gina) Hensel of Tomahawk, WI. He is preceded in death by his father, Lee L. Hensel and mother, Rita Hensel.

Private family service with Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Huntington.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Astrid,so sorry for your loss.  
I didn't know Steve, but I'm sure he was a  
great guy!  
Terry



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**Terry E Scher** - December 15, 2021 at 10:05 PM

JR

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Steve was such a  
great friend an co worker myself and to my  
late husband Danny Rodriguez. I remember  
we would go to your home and of course the  
guys would talk about their guns an Steve  
also had his remote toys out when we had our son with us when he  
was little to play with. Just know that he will always be watching  
over you all. We will all miss Steve.



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**Jodi Rodriguez** - December 11, 2021 at 03:58 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of  
Steven Leland Hensel.



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December 08, 2021 at 11:18 PM

TM

“ Astrid and family so sorry for your loss.



Tena McElhaney - December 08, 2021 at 06:39 AM

BD

“ Steve was my very first Team Leader when I first started at General Motors. Steve took care of the team and I like his own kids in a way. Always went above and beyond to make sure we were taken care of. He would always make sure to keep things fun at work. We will all miss Steve.

Brandon Donaldson - December 07, 2021 at 08:40 PM

QT

Sorry for your loss. Steve was a great person he also helped me when i first started at gm as a temp. He looked out for me and helped me to get into a position to be hired.

Quincy Thomas - December 09, 2021 at 05:09 AM

KS

“ Steve was my team leader and friend at General Motors. I KNOW he will be missed by his family and friends.. I know I will miss his "food" posts.... Steve ALWAYS enjoyed both preparing, and eating great meals. I am so sorry for the Hensel family's loss.

Karen Smith - December 07, 2021 at 02:34 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Steven Leland Hensel.*



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December 07, 2021 at 08:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven Leland Hensel.*



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December 06, 2021 at 05:56 PM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Steven Leland Hensel.*



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December 06, 2021 at 10:22 AM