

Steve Medrow 1950 - 2011

Stephen A Medrow was our friend and our leader. On Saturday, 11 July 2011 the President of Eiche Turners suffered a stroke and passed away the following Tuesday. Steve is survived by his wife Sandi, son Scott, daughter Sara and her husband Dave Claahsen; his mother Joanna, sister Kathie (Kenneth) Pemberton and a niece, Kaitlin. Steve was excited at the prospect that he was soon to be a Grandfather!

Steve grew up locally, attending Tinley Park High School, and Governors State and Lewis Universities. A patriot, he served in the National Guard for 6 years. He was employed by the accounting firm of Marcheski, Plankis & Pogore located in Mokena for twenty-five years, where his valuable efforts will be sorely missed.

As his children grew up he coached Sara's softball team and Scott's soccer team. Steve generously gave his time to the community utilizing his accounting expertise to act as the Board Treasurer for the Park District of Tinley Park. While serving on the Board he helped bring to fruition the Tony Bettenhausen Recreation Center, the White Water Canyon Water Park, the Vogt Visual Arts Center, and the new Tinley Park Performing Arts Center. He was also a member of the Police Pension Board.

Steve and Sandi first became involved with Turners when their daughter Sara took tumbling lessons and they joined Eiche in 1988. Steve's community spirit soon had him involved in the business side of the Turnverein. Over the years he served in many capacities, including many years as President, even returning to that office after having retired from the position when the Society hit a rough financial patch. Steve exercised his considerable abilities finding new ways to supplement the Society's income and put the Turnverein back on a sound financial basis.

But he will be missed most for his presence at the Halle, his enjoyment at being there with his friends, his competitive spirit as he played Bocci, Darts or Bowled in the Eiche League. Steve's passing will leave a big hole in our organization, and a great chasm in our hearts.

Gut Heil, Steve.