



Steven Robbs

August 29, 1961 - June 2, 2025

Steven passed away on June 2, 2025, at Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center. He was born on August 29, 1961 in Willcox, AZ. He is survived by his brother Alan (Kathy) Robbs of Willcox.

Steven graduated from Willcox High class of 79. He went on to the U of A and received a BS in Chemistry. During the mid 80's he joined the Peace Corps and taught Jr. High Science in Cameroon, Africa. After completing his service there, he came back to the U of A to earn his MA degree. After graduating he got a job at a Palm Research Center in Fla. When that job was done, he decided to go back to school at LSU in Baton Rouge, LA. There he worked on his doctorate degree and enjoyed Mardi Gras.

Upon completion of his college career, he landed a job at the FDA and worked there for 20 years from 2001-2021. He was enjoying his retirement in Long Beach by traveling, surfing, art projects and his horticultural interests.

A joint memorial service is planned for him and his mom on February 27, 2026, at the Willcox United Methodist Church beginning at 11:00 am.

The (zoom) live video stream of the Robbs service, Friday 11:00, can be accessed by JOINING the meeting:

Meeting ID: 2554182130 and Passcode: 754526

After starting the zoom application, enter those numbers when prompted. At each step choose the "join" option.

Previous Events

Memorial

FEB 27. 11:00 AM (MT)

Willcox United Methodist Church
124 S. Curtis
Willcox, AZ 85643

Tribute Wall

PI

“ I met Steve when he was a graduate student at LSU in Baton Rouge, LA. We shared many common interests - world music, Indian food and science. His curiosity and lived experience enriched those around him. We shared many laughs and he introduced me to quinoa which is all the rage nowadays. A man ahead of his time !! His charming manners and good looks made him very popular, but his kindness was what made an impact. His contribution to science and science education will be remembered. It is hard to accept that he is no more. He helped me decorate my very first Christmas tree and made me a mixed tape to listen to for my drive out west to CA. As John Updike said
"...another regrettable thing about death
is the ceasing of your own brand of magic,
which took a whole life to develop ...
The whole act.
Who will do it again? That's it: no one;
imitators and descendants aren't the same"

Steve be missed and by many. Sincere condolences to the family.

Poorni Iyer - February 26 at 11:50 PM

PI

“ Poorni I. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven Robbs.

Poorni I. - February 26 at 11:28 PM

LA

“ Lori & Ramón Arancibia-Grelen purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Steven Robbs.



Lori & Ramón Arancibia-Grelen - February 25 at 05:42 PM

LG

“ I’m so sad about Steve’s passing. He was not one that I would have thought to go early. I was so sure he would beat the cancer. He was keen on health food and exercise and took good care of himself. We became good friends while he lived in Baton Rouge working on his Ph. D. in Chemistry at LSU. We met at an Indian cooking class. There we learned that we had a lot in common-shared the same birthday, studied diseases of sugarcane and liked exotic food and loved plants. After that, a circle of friends from many countries and states developed and we all had great fun cooking and eating and canoeing in the swamps and going to Mardi Gras parades to name a few. Somehow in the midst of all that fun, Steve found the time to study, do his research and graduate. That was a talent of his- he had a balance of work and fun. After Baton Rouge, I did not see him often, but we kept in touch. Steve was kind and funny, smart and down to earth. He was a good man and a good friend. I will miss him.

Lori Grelen - January 31 at 07:32 PM

CS

“ We have fond memories of the moments we shared with Steve when we lived in Baton Rouge . He was a good friend and a kind person . Our deepest condolences to his family and loved ones .

Caterina Squadrito Shamas - January 30 at 11:33 AM

TM

“ Trey Moses lit a candle in memory of Steven Robbs



Trey Moses - January 20 at 02:50 PM

MD

“ Will miss my dear friend Steve. Our friendship started at WHS and endured. Steve was smart, funny, and loved to travel. My sympathy to Alan and his family.



Mimi Donnelly - January 20 at 12:24 PM

SA

“ *Susan Arbuthnot lit a candle in memory of Steven Robbs*



Susan Arbuthnot - January 20 at 10:33 AM

SR

“ *So sorry for the loss of Steven. I had not heard of his passing. He was always a nice guy. Prayers of comfort are with you all.*



Sharma Reed - January 19 at 11:25 PM

JD

“ *Such fond memories of Steven in church and in school. So sad to hear of his passing. Thoughts and prayers for all of you.*

Jackie Diehl - January 19 at 06:29 PM

FG

“ *Frank and Susie Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Steven Robbs*



Frank and Susie Gonzales - January 19 at 04:46 PM