



Steve Ray Prihoda

August 9, 1956 - August 14, 2022

Steve Ray Prihoda, 66, of Palacios, left this earth on August 14, 2022. He was born on August 9, 1956 in Ganado to Maxine Mae Slyter and Rudy Prihoda.

Steve lived in El Campo his first four years and moved with his family to Kansas for ten years. The family returned to El Campo when he was fourteen years old and graduated from El Campo High School in 1974.

Steve was a commercial shrimper and began this lifelong career around the age of fourteen working with his Uncle Edward. He worked with his uncle until eighteen and then bought his first shrimp boat named "The Kansas Kid". He continued to shrimp throughout the years and bought the legendary "Sea Tiger" in 1978. It is this boat that he put his heart and soul into.

Steve was an avid deer hunter when the opportunity would arise, or he would just sit back and enjoy nature. He loved to be on the water and especially water skiing. You could always find him on the Tres Palacios river on his blue and white Ski Nautique skiing or pulling anyone who had the desire to ski. He taught many teenagers and adults how to ski. He never knew a stranger and could talk for hours to anyone who would stop to listen. He always liked to have the last word and give his "two cents worth" in the conversation.

Steve is survived by his son Blake Pihoda of Palacios, and step-daughter Kirsten Richter Gonzalez of Galveston.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sister Kathy Pihoda.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held on August 27, 2022 at 10 am at Palacios United Methodist Church, 209 Lucas Avenue Palacios, Texas.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 27. 10:00 AM (CT)


First United Methodist Church of Palacios
209 Lucas Ave
Palacios, TX 77465

Tribute Wall

AM

“ Oh boy, what to say. Steve is my first cousin who really was like a big big brother to me when I was a lil girl. He was always picking on me, but also loved in a way by teaching. He taught me a thing or two about shrimping, cooking, and skiing. I'll never forget when I'd go out with him in the gulf for a few days he'd give me a choice: cook or do the dishes. I'd always pick the dishes...he was a good cook! I'm grateful for all the memories I have of him.

Amy Machacek - August 27, 2022 at 07:50 AM

 Traci Hernandez

“ He and my dad, William Jones Jr, were best friends back in the day before my dad died on his boat in 94. My dad bought Steve's twin boat, the "Sea Lion". It was later renamed the "Traci Michelle." Steve drove my dad's boat back to Palacios from Port Lavaca after dad died. He let us ride it one more time. It was a tough ordeal and Steve was so good to us. Every time we would visit Palacios, we would drive by to take a peak at his boat. One time we stopped when he was there and he let us walk around on it. It brought back so many memories. It was so sad to hear of his passing. We are praying for his family.

Sincerely, Traci Jones- Hernandez

Traci Hernandez - August 27, 2022 at 01:02 AM

CR

“ I'll be missing you at our Holiday and Sunday dinner get togethers. You were a good man, and a good friend. I enjoyed listening to your stories and hearing about your life experiences. May our Blessed Lord, embrace and welcome you into his eternal banquet. God comfort your family, Conrad Rod

Conrad Rod - August 26, 2022 at 09:16 PM

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“ ***The Corporon Family** purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Steve Ray Prihoda.*



****The Corporon Family**** - August 22, 2022 at 11:20 AM

LT

“ *So sorry to hear of Steve's passing His dad and my dad were very close friends and hunting buddies when they lived in Fontana ks Was lucky enough to get to go out the shrimping boat when we visited before my dad passing so steve and his dad will always be in our memories My God bless Larry Thomas-Buck*

Larry w Thomas - August 21, 2022 at 04:10 PM

SW

“ *Our hearts go out to Blake. Steve was such a nice man and we were customers of his..*

Sallie Wilkins - August 20, 2022 at 07:57 PM

SW

We will remember him forever.

Sallie Wilkins - August 20, 2022 at 07:59 PM

BL

“ *Steve was my first serious boyfriend back in the 80's. He took me to prom and we had so many great times. He was definitely one of the good guys. Sending condolences to his friends and family. 💕*

Brenda Lea - August 20, 2022 at 02:02 PM

DM

“ Steve was a friend to anyone that met him. I will always remember Sunday afternoons at the river with him. He taught many of us how to ski. Rest in Peace Prihoda!

David Murry - August 20, 2022 at 12:03 PM

SG

“ I am so sorry for your loss...prayers and hugs to all of you.



Susan Guidry - August 20, 2022 at 11:09 AM

VQ

“ Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Steve Ray Prihoda



Vicky Quijas - August 20, 2022 at 09:35 AM

VQ

“ So sorry for your loss! Please know you are in my thoughts & prayers! 🙏🙏🙏🙏 Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas



Vicky Quijas - August 20, 2022 at 09:35 AM

AM

“ *My condolences to the family at this difficult time.*



Andrea McCann - August 19, 2022 at 06:50 PM