



## Steven Taylor Meece

April 2, 1951 - July 21, 2017

Steve Meece, 66, passed from this realm on July 21st, 2017. He was a man of many passions. He was passionate about his family, music, classic cars, sports (Go Buckeyes!), cooking, good friends, and most of all... being retired from HP after 25 years.

As a boy his mom made him take piano lessons, which his dad bribed him to do; but this skill would prove valuable from his teens to his sixties as a professional musician. Steve was a talented singer, songwriter and musician who in his career opened for Mitch Ryder and The Young Rascals/ He played a gig with the Shantrells and played in or lead a variety of blues bands with other local excellent musicians in bands, Butterfat, Bentley, Big House, and Caught in the Act. He enjoyed playing festivals including Corvallis Fall Festival, and Red, White and Blue Riverfront Festival. One of his favorites was playing his original songs in the Safeway Waterfront Blues Festival in Portland OR, where many of his funk and blues idols have played. As a friend said "The Hammond music just got better on the other side". I believe this to be true.

Steve was preceded in death by his wife Aretha Meece, and his parents Dr. Linden and Phyllis Meece. He is survived by Fran Arnesen, life partner, daughter Erin Meece, sister Susan (Craig) Little, two nephews, Eric & Marc Grossnickle, four granddaughters Jasmine, Madison, Bella, their mom

Shannon Jordan and Lily her dad Andrew (Kathy) Arnesen.

There will be a celebration of Steve's life on Saturday, Sept. 9th at The Thyme Garden, Alsea OR. from 1pm to 4 pm.