Steven Raymond Spears, age 48, of Sugar Camp, Wis., died Monday, May 6, 2013.

Steve was born April 18, 1965, in Green Bay, Wis., to Barbara and Eugene Spears.

He grew up in Arbor Vitae, graduated from Lakeland Union High School in 1983, and later received a Bachelor's Degree from UW-Stevens Point.

Steve is survived by his wife, Marci (Lindner); two beautiful children, Ethan and Ella; parents, Barb and Eugene; brother, Jason; many brothers and sisters-in-law; and lots of nieces and nephews; and his loyal companion, Calli.

Steve was a respected member of the golf community and spent 17 years as the Course Superintendent at St. Germain Golf Course. His loyalty to the course, its members and his employees was evident and will be terribly missed.

When Steve was not spending his time at the golf course, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, fantasy football, music and the Packers.

Steve's greatest devotion was to his family. There aren't words for the commitment and sacrifices he made for them. He didn't miss a Christmas concert, a baseball, basketball or football game, a dance recital or a scout meeting.

He enjoyed traveling with his family, bike rides, hikes through the woods, swimming in the pool, and took pleasure in the everyday "smiles" that go along with being a dad. He was always there for anything his family did.

Steve's compassion and warm smile was felt by all those who knew him. He had a way of connecting with anyone he came in contact with, from someone he just met on vacation to a longtime friend. He will be missed dearly, and his influence and spirit will be felt amongst us always. He will remain alive in our hearts forever.

A visitation for Steve was held at Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home in Eagle River, Wis. A memorial fund has been established at First National Bank-St. Germain.

Online condolences may be expressed at gaffney-busha.com.

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