



## Steven Ussrey

January 6, 1963 - February 6, 2020

### USSREY - Steven

February 6, 2020 of Cheektowaga, NY. Passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family. Beloved husband of 5 ½ years to Mindy (nee McCallum) Ussrey; loving father to Elijah; devoted brother to Keith (Natalie) Ussrey and Tonia (Christopher) Warren; cherished Uncle to Kelli, Ashlie, Bailey, Brandon, Madeline and Ezra; son of the late Jack (late Mary) Ussrey; son-in-Law to Timothy (Diane) McCallum; also survived by many relatives. The family will be present to receive relatives and friends on Saturday, February 22nd, at 1PM, where a Prayer Service will follow at 2PM, at the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME, 2510 Union Rd., Cheektowaga (two blocks south of William St.). Steve was a zookeeper for 7 years and had a strong passion for reptiles. He was also a member of Buffalo HERP Society. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Steve's name to the Orianne Society ([www.oriannesociety.org](http://www.oriannesociety.org)). Share condolences at [SmolarekCares.com](http://SmolarekCares.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Daniel R. Smolarek Funeral Home - Cheektowaga  
2510 Union Road  
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

## Prayer Service

FEB 22. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy to Mindy and Eli. Steve was such a wonderful person. I learned so much from him about the Herps and he was always happy to answer any questions I had. Knowing he was ill but fighting through the illness, he always had time for us at the Zoo. There will never be another person like Steve and he will be sorely missed by the entire zoo family. Pati Lannon

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**Pati Lannon** - February 10, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ Sending my deepest sympathies to Mindy, Eli, his family and all who knew him. Steve was one of the nicest people I have ever met or had the pleasure to work with. I admired his immense love for animals and his smile and sweet personality always lifted my mood and turned my day around when I wasn't having such a good one. He truly was a beautiful soul. He will be missed by so so many. Rest in Peace my friend.

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**Cheryl Karneth** - February 08, 2020 at 10:49 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to Mindy, Eli, Steve's entire Family, his “zoo Family” and friends. I don't think I've ever met a nicer person, always willing to stop to answer animal questions, always with an eternal smile! RIP Steve 💙  
~ Lori Sturges

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**Lori Sturges** - February 07, 2020 at 07:32 PM