Past NRLCA National Executive Committeeman Steve Traylor passed away May 15, 2020 at Hillsboro Area Hospital in Hillsboro, IL. Steve’s faithful dog, Tess, had passed away the same morning and Steve was dealing with that loss when he suffered a massive heart attack.

Steve began his postal career as a Designation 73 Substitute in 1977. In 1980, he was appointed the regular carrier on Rural Route 1 in Hillsboro, a route that he grew up on as a child. He married Nancy Carroll on July 22, 1978 at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Hillsboro, IL.

Steve served the National Rural Letter Carriers’ Association in numerous capacities over the years, including county president, local steward, area steward, assistant state steward, and state steward of Illinois. He also served in the QWL/EI process as a facilitator, as a District Joint Steering Committee member and co-chair, and Central Area Joint Steering Committee member and co-chair.

At the recommendation of a fellow rural carrier, he attended his first NRLCA National Convention in Reno, NV in 1987 as a non-delegate. In 1996, he was elected to the NRLCA National Board as Executive Committeeman and served a one-year unexpired term.

In 2007, Steve was elected to a four-year term as NRLCA Executive Committeeman at the 2007 National Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and was re-elected to a second four-year term at the 2011 National Convention in Savannah, Georgia. During his tenure as Executive Committeeman, he served the Eastern, Great Lakes, Pacific, Southern, and Western Areas.

Mr. Traylor was a lifetime member of the Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge #51 and a member of Moose Lodge #1377 in Hillsboro, IL. He loved spending time with his family and grandchildren and he loved golfing, hunting, fishing, gardening, woodworking and wine making.

Steve is survived by his wife, Nancy; two children, Sean (wife Brandi) Traylor and Randi Traylor; two grandchildren, Liam and Kolton Traylor; a sister, Kathleen Beckom, and a brother, Elbert Traylor.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Steve’s family and friends during this difficult time.

Condolences can be sent to:
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