

PEMBERTON: STEPHEN GRANT (STEVE)

Born: 7 July 1960, Kawerau, New Zealand

Married: 12 September 1992, Levin, New Zealand

(now separated)

To: Lucy Polly Eramiha (1955 –)

Steve's parents were:

Kerry Bernard (1933 – 2015) & Annie Louise (nee Adam) (1934 – 2016)

Stepfather: Mervyn Alan Gleeson (1941 – 2020)

Steve has 2 brothers & 4 sisters:

Louise Maureen (1954 –)

David Edward (1955 –)

Gary Bernard (1956 –)

Linda Gael (1957 –)

Sandra (1958 –)

Cheryl Anne (1964 –)

Myself playing in an 8-Ball tournament
in South Africa in 1996



Steve has 2 children:

Shirley-Ann Linda (1995 – 1995)

Susan Deborah Ann Margaret (1996 –)

Education:

Glendale Primary School 1965 – 1972

Wainuiomata Intermediate 1973 – 1974

Wainuiomata College 1974 – 1975

Waiopahu College 1975

Associations:

Member: Levin Cosmopolitan Club 1985 –

Employment:

Steve started his working life as a carpet layer then moved through local companies including House of York Wallpapers, Levana, Clic Calck and lastly Tararua Yarns where he was met with employers who were very generous in time aside and supportive of his required 8-Ball travels.

Steve's life:

Through the 1980's and 1990's and early 2000's he travelled throughout the country and also other countries, through his 8-Ball talent.

He gained numerous national titles along the way leaving him with a trail of trophies, cups, badges, plates and medals as keepsakes of his successful endeavours.

When his daughter was born he stepped away from the spotlight to begin his newest journey, fatherhood. He spent her growing years putting his time, passion and drive into watching her flourish.

Once her schooling had finished and she had begun her own adventures, Steve rekindled his love for the sport and all it encompassed.

Unfortunately he was diagnosed with Macular Degeneration, which is a condition of the eyes, meaning he is slowly losing his eyesight. Although the diagnosis presented new challenges for him, physically, it sparked a fire inside to not let his experience through playing pool to be in vein. Before he loses the chance to, he wants to pass on his skills and knowledge to the next generation.

Today you will find him coaching juniors at the Levin Cossie Club, ranging from ages 10 to 15.

He is a sportsman whom has represented Levin on a National stage, and New Zealand on the International stage. He is also a sportsman who is now using all his knowledge and experience to share with the younger players, to give them the chance to thrive within our community – especially in a sport that is a little less common in the public eye.



Myself upon making the
1st New Zealand 8-Ball team in 1988

Steve's Sporting Achievements:

Represented New Zealand in the Nation 8-Ball team for 10 times between 1988 and 2001

Played Internationals in New Zealand, Australia, South Africa and England

New Zealand Pairs Champion 2000

Winner Invitation/International Singles 1990

Represented North Island 12 times and Captained 5 times during this period.

Winner of over 200 Regional Club & National Tournaments

