

# Steve Ballmer retires: A dark day for Linux!

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Just a quick note about Steve Ballmer. As you may have heard, he'll be retiring from his job as CEO of Microsoft soon.

This is a dark day for Linux, my friends. Ballmer has unwittingly been a true friend to Linux during his long reign of errors at Microsoft. Ballmer has my utmost gratitude for his help in growing the Linux user base over the years. Windows 8, in particular, has gotten many Windows users to take another look at Linux.

It would have been better for Linux if Ballmer had stayed a few more years, to complete the utter destruction of Microsoft. Still, we should be grateful for what we've gotten out of him.

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