



Stephen J. Payton

November 28, 1956 - August 11, 2018

Stephen J. Payton, 61, went to be with his Heavenly Father on August 11, 2018.

He was a member of St. Joseph Church in Corydon, Indiana and a professional Umpire for college softball he worked hard to achieve this dream and was so proud to have accomplished his goal.

Steve was an amazing friend to everyone. He never left anyone behind. He tried to help whenever he could, he truly had a heart of gold. Everyone that knew Steve was a better person because he was in their life.

Steve loved to fish and tell corny jokes. Steve: why do fish swim in school?
Levi: I don't know. Steve: Because they can't walk!

Steve was a long time member of Alcoholics Anonymous. He love being a part of the fellowship and watching people get sober.

Steve was preceded in death by his parents Dolores (Price) and Clarence Payton.

Survived by his wife of 23 years Bobbi D. (Kessinger) Payton; children Dylan A Payton, Courtney N. Payton and Levi J. Payton; two brothers Tim J. Jarboe (Debbie Glass) and Chris L. Jarboe (Kim); niece Miranda Jarboe and John Jarboe. Steve was most proud of his three children his face would light up like the sun whenever he talked about them. His children was his heart.

He will be missed. It's hard to forget someone who gave you so much to remember.

One of these days Ralph;-I will see you again, Love your Alice.

Funeral mass will be Thursday at 10 A.M. at Mary Queen of Peace 4005 Dixie Highway with burial in Louisville Memorial Gardens (West).

Visitation will be Wednesday at 2 P.M. until 8 P.M. at Owen Funeral Home 5317 Dixie Highway.

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Tribute Wall

BO

“ *Just heard this sad news, I officiated some games with Steve last year and this breaks my heart. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Brady Oberholtzer - August 20, 2018 at 09:33 PM

KB

“ *To The Payton Family,
So sorry to hear about Steve. Was a classmate of his at Flaget. He was a great person. May the many wonderful memories of Steve comfort you during this difficult time. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,
Keith and Tammy Bube*

Keith Bube - August 17, 2018 at 11:05 AM

JL

“ *Dear Bobbi, Timmy, Chris, Dylan, Courtney and Little Levi,*

My heart breaks for your loss and I can only hope the pain that you are suffering now and in the many days ahead will be filled with memories of your father's great optimism. He, like all of us, had trials in his life but he had a way of always getting back on track and bringing others with him. As a kid, my cousin who was 6 years older, was athletic and popular seemed so sophisticated. It wasn't until I knew him as an adult that I realized how warm and down to earth he was. His face was never brighter than when talking about his family. God Bless you all.

Jena Latz

Jena Latz - August 16, 2018 at 06:13 PM

DF

“ Thank you so much for sharing your encouragement as a sponsor to our son, Benjamin. We will always be grateful for helping him through a tough time in life. As a result he is doing great and we are thankful for the blessing of your life. May God bless you all.
With our love and prayers,
Gary and Dianna Fisher

Dianna Fisher - August 15, 2018 at 09:59 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephen J. Payton.



August 15, 2018 at 05:34 PM

RH

“ We lost a good man last Saturday. Steve Payton was my friend from early recovery, he was always the first one at Miracle in The Hills Campout. I knew him for many years, I will miss his easy smile and friendship. We wouldn't see each other for periods of time, but when we got together, it seemed like on time had passed at all. I went to his HG last Weds. hoping to see him, he was not there. I got a message from a friend this morning saying that he had died. I will always remember his kindness and great spirit. Rest well old friend, I will miss you. Love, Ron



Ron Holmes - August 15, 2018 at 04:23 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen J. Payton.*



August 15, 2018 at 03:35 PM



“ *Steve was a cousin & kind soul, & another Stephen taken too soon... (as my brother Stephen W Payton passed away exactly one year ago to the day 8-11-17)... Living in different states we didn't get to see our Kentucky cousins much, but the last times I saw Steve in person may have been 2004, & again 2008 on family visits to Kentucky.*

✝️🙏❤️ *God rest his soul.*

Prayers for supernatural peace & comfort be given to the Payton family & families & friends.

Sherrie (Payton) Rainsberger - August 15, 2018 at 03:20 PM



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Holmes - August 15, 2018 at 10:51 AM

DH

Steve is nephew by his marriage to my niece Bobbi. He was a good man with an amazing beautiful soul. The last time I saw him he had stopped by my home to visit while he in Evansville taking some classes. We eat, laugh and had a wonderful visit. His family meant everything to him and I believe his children are good people for having him as their Dad. It's so hard to believe he has passed away. I thank God for giving me the opportunity of knowing Steve, my life is better by knowing Steve Payton . May God hold his family close in this difficult time. My prays are with you. Love Aunt Debbie

Debbie Hawes - August 16, 2018 at 01:17 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen J. Payton.*



August 15, 2018 at 09:44 AM



“ *Lord's Prayer 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Stephen J. Payton.*



August 15, 2018 at 06:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stephen J. Payton.*



August 14, 2018 at 09:05 PM

CN

“ Steve .. cousin and friend. When I shut my eyes and drift to the past, it could easily be summer of 1968 again. Steve and I ... just little eleven year old kids with Uncle Huston at Fountain Ferry riding the Comet. Wow! That was 50 years ago yet seems like just yesterday. In reality, it really WAS just yesterday. Time has a way of passing by in what seems like just a blink of an eye. I remember so many fun childhood days with Stevie. He was always happy, always smiling, and making others smile. Wyandotte swimming pool (amongst other pools as well) where my cool cuz could do triple flips off the high dive. Roller rinks where "all the girls" at the rink had "major" crushes on my CUTE cuz Steve. I remember a cute little red haired girl named Molly like it was yesterday. We outgrew the roller rink and cruising in cars became the "fun" thing to do. Iroquois and Cherokee Park and "groovin" in the early 70s. Peace and love! So many happy good days shared within our families. We both grew up and moved on with life as is God and natures plan. Both of us had our wonderful families and our kids became our greatest joy. Steve sure adored his three kiddos. I feel so blessed that Stevie made his way to Northern Kentucky on the 4th of July this year to my house for a get together. Gave me an opportunity to see beautiful Courtney all grown up....and darling Levi. And hear of his love for his much beloved Dylan. You three kids will feel that love for the rest of your lives! He will be right there inside you loving you every step of the way. Steve...the happiness you shared will be missed by all.

Love you always,
Cousin NeeCee

Cousin NeeCee - August 14, 2018 at 07:23 PM

LW

“ I enjoyed umpiring with Steve. He will be missed. Lee Walker

Lee Walker - August 14, 2018 at 03:51 PM