



Stephen Thomas

August 23, 1950 - November 15, 2020

Stephen Thomas, 70, of Acworth, GA passed away peacefully Sunday, November 15, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 2 o'clock at Mayes Ward-Dobbins Macland Chapel in Powder Springs with Pastor Matt Petty officiating. The family will receive visitors between the hours of 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM.

Stephen is survived by his wife, Debbie Thomas of Acworth, GA; son, Marcus Thomas & wife Britni of Powder Springs, GA; granddaughters, Emalynne & McKenzie Thomas of Powder Springs, GA. He is preceded in death by his parents, Jack & Elsie Thomas. Stephen was born on Wednesday, August 23, 1950, to Jack & Elsie Thomas in Mableton, GA. He married Deborah Daniell in 1972 and they were married for 48 wonderful years. Stephen spent most of his adult life in politics before settling into his position as service manager for Orkin Pest Control where he retired in 2019. Stephen's passions in life were God, Family, and Country. Stephen worked his entire life to make the world a better place for his son and future generations and was a true patriot. Stephen had a personal relationship with God and lived his life as a strong Christian man. He was strong willed and principled, holding steadfast to his thoughts and beliefs. Stephen was a true leader whose influence touched countless others in all walks of his life. Stephen was a gentle man with a quick wit and funny sense of humor. He loved trips to the beach with his family and held a special place for football and Georgia Tech in his heart. Stephen was a tireless worker, a great provider for his family, and he never, ever quit. Stephen was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, his loving presence will be forever missed.

Family has requested masks be worn at all times when inside to keep everyone healthy for the holidays. Family has asked in lieu of flowers that donations be made in Stephen's name to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America at <https://alzfdn.org/> or the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation at <http://www.curethekids.org/> . Arrangements made under the caring guidance of Mayes Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home www.mayeswarddobbins.com 770-943-1511

Events

NOV **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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Mayes Ward-Dobbins Macland Chapel
3940 Macland Road, Powder Springs, GA, US, 30127

NOV **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Mayes Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home - November 21, 2020 at 12:18 PM



“ A webcast video has been added.



Mayes Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home - November 21, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen Thomas.



November 20, 2020 at 04:42 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Stephen Thomas.



November 20, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ 94 files added to the album LifeTributes



Mayes Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home - November 20, 2020 at 03:21 PM



“ Debbie and Marc - there are no words to express how sorry and saddened I am for your loss. Steve was a great man! Sending prayer for peace and comfort for y'all during this difficult time. Love, Lisa Dinning

Lisa Dinning - November 19, 2020 at 08:50 AM



“ Shelia Cochran lit a candle in memory of Stephen Thomas



Shelia Cochran - November 18, 2020 at 06:24 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen Thomas.



November 17, 2020 at 09:47 PM



“ Dave Callaway lit a candle in memory of Stephen Thomas



Dave Callaway - November 17, 2020 at 06:31 PM



“ I've got to share this story. Steve and I were on the track team at Pebblebrook High School together for 3 years. We always had to drive ourselves to the track meets. One track meet we had scheduled was at McEachern High in Powder Springs I believe it was in 1967 when we were juniors. I remember it was me, Mike Haney, Steve, Charlie Brown and Mark Groover riding together in Steve's 1955 Ford Galaxy. When we pulled out of PHS where Steve had parked behind the school that day, Steve ran over a ditch that apparently separated his exhaust pipe somewhat and then the car sounded like a tank. Nevertheless, Steve went ahead towards McEachern. I told him I knew where the school was and off we went. When we got near Powder Springs Road I told him I really wasn't sure where the school was and it was then we saw Kennesaw Mountain in the distance. We were way off from McEachern High School and were going to be late for the track meet. At that time Steve told me to "get out, you're walking!" So I got out on Powder Springs Rd. with my gym bag and in my track uniform of shorts and a tank top. Off Steve went in the other direction and I thought I was going to have to call my parents to come and get me, and remember, there were no cell phones back then. A few minutes later Steve pulled up and picked me up again and we finally found McEachern, somehow and got to the track meet on time by some miracle. But that's the way Steve was. He didn't play games, and he was particular about his car as well. You didn't say "hey your muffler is making a loud noise" or you were told to get out and walk! Steve was a great 1 miler and 2 miler on the track team in high school. We also were brothers in TKE(Tau Kappa Epsilon) Fraternity at Georgia State Univ. as well. I spent many days with Steve at GSU in the Frat house and Student Center as well. We were at the Army Induction Center on Ponce de Leon Ave together, too, when they called us both to come to get our physicals for the draft. Thank God we didn't get drafted then but we were close to it. Those great memories I will cherish as long as I live.

Dave Callaway - November 17, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ Glenn Hurley lit a candle in memory of Stephen Thomas



Glenn Hurley - November 17, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ LeDora Brown lit a candle in memory of Stephen Thomas



LeDora Brown - November 17, 2020 at 12:28 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Debbie, Marc and the family. Steve was a great guy and wonderful friend for 50+ years. He loved his family and always talked about his sweet wife Debbie and how proud he was of Marc. He loved his grandchildren dearly. We lost a great man but he's no longer in pain and he's at peace in the arms of our Savior. RIP dear friend, Godspeed til we meet again

Laurie Fowler Friedman - November 17, 2020 at 12:08 PM