



Stephen Ramirez Avinger

November 16, 1962 - December 20, 2019

Georgetown..... Stephen Ramirez Avinger, age 57, formerly of Conway died Friday, December 20, 2019 in Charleston, SC.

Mr. Avinger was born in Charleston, a son of John and Anita Ramirez Avinger. He was an assistant manager at Piggly Wiggly in Conway. Mr. Avinger was a member of Union United Methodist Church. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing, hunting and boating. Mr. Avinger attended USC - Coastal Carolina campus where he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. Steve had a warm, giving heart with a ready smile and quick wit. He continued community support by being a devoted advocate and coach for those living with spinal cord injuries. Mr. Avinger was a board member of the Horry County Disability and Special Needs. He was an active member of the Long Bay Power Boat Squadron.

Surviving are: his wife, Jessica Keith-Avinger of Georgetown; his father, John Avinger (June) of Conway; many special cousins, aunts, and uncles; and best friends Sarah Clardy, Jill Monger, and Clark Hopkins.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be sent to Spinal Cord Injury Association of South Carolina, 2935 Colonial Dr., Columbia, SC 29203. 803-252-2198

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ *Maris Burton lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger*



Maris Burton - April 24, 2020 at 09:26 PM

MB

My heart goes out to Jessica and Steve's family. Steve served on the Board of the Scilc. He was smart, with a dry sense of humor. One of my fondest memories besides being at his and Jess' wedding was going on a canoe ride and both of us ending up overboard. Steve was a great sport as i hauled us both to shore with our heavy life jackets. Rest in peace Steve. Happy Hunting and fishing. Maris

Maris Burton - April 24, 2020 at 09:32 PM

KS

“ *R.I.P Mr. Steve, you'll be truly miss. Ms. Jessica you are in my prayers, love you. Ms. KayKay*



Kendera Smith-Johnson - December 31, 2019 at 04:28 PM

DB

Steve was such a great person to know. Though it's been years since I've seen him , I have warm memories of he and Jessica opening up their home to us and guiding us down the river in Bucksport. He was kind, knowledgeable, and funny. He and Jessica were inseparable, and my heart goes out to you , Jessica.

Dana Burroughs - January 05, 2020 at 07:44 AM

AD

“ Dear Jessica and family, We are sad to read of Steve"s passing. I can only think of what a fine man he was and such a good Christian.We enjoyed attending church with you for a very long time at Union UMC.God bless you and your whole family during this time and forever.Our Love and our prayers are with you.Love, Eloise and Al Dusenbury.

Al and Eloise Dusenbury - December 26, 2019 at 10:46 PM

BG

“ Steve was one in million! My classmate, my friend! I hardly ever shed a tear when someone transition but Steve, you got tear from me oh boy! I love you but GOD loves you more.

Betty lou Gause - December 26, 2019 at 09:13 PM

SA

“ Susan Alford-Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger



Susan Alford-Hawkins - December 24, 2019 at 08:35 PM



“ I've only met Steve and Jessica for the first time at the November Spinal cord meeting. Steve and Jess are a beautiful couple, they made me feel welcome and at home. Steve will be surely missed

Douglas Lawrence - December 24, 2019 at 12:01 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephen Ramirez Avinger.*



December 24, 2019 at 10:27 AM



“ *Jessica, sorry for your loss, and can never forget Steve was a friend of my brother Simon. They were there for each other. Praying for you and family that God will give you strength. Take care. Sheila*

Sheila Spain Campbell - December 24, 2019 at 09:39 AM



“ *It was one of my life's greatest pleasures to call Steve my friend and SigEp Brother for the last 40 years. RIP MY BROTHER!. You will be missed by all whom knew you. God I ask that you confort Jessica and the rest of Steve's family. Only Your love and grace will fill the hole left in their hearts. God Bless. Love Jim*



James Pack - December 24, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *Donna Johnson Hiers lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger*



Donna Johnson Hiers - December 23, 2019 at 09:14 PM

GB

“ I met Steve and Jessica this fall at the Roost. Enjoyed my time with them a lot. Next night Steve and I went gator hunting together. Steve was my friend for only one night. Only one night. You learn a lot about someone in one night. Steve was my friend. What an amazing guy. I would like to think I could make such an impression on someone in one night. I am saddened by his passing and pray peace for Jessica. I am a better man from my one night with Steve. Thanks Steve.



Greg Braselton - December 23, 2019 at 08:45 PM

TH

“ Tammy Anderson Howell lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger



Tammy Anderson Howell - December 23, 2019 at 08:03 PM

AS

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jessica and to Steve's father. Steve will be missed.



Arnold and Dina Spain - December 23, 2019 at 07:04 PM

RB

“ *Rhonda Sanders Butler lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger*



Rhonda Sanders Butler - December 23, 2019 at 05:16 PM

JK

“ *Steve will be missed. My prayers are with you Jessica.*
Joyce Kraus, HCDSN



Joyce Kraus - December 23, 2019 at 03:08 PM

PH

“ *Pauline Hunt lit a candle in memory of Stephen Ramirez Avinger*



Pauline Hunt - December 23, 2019 at 02:25 PM

CL

“ *So very, very sorry. Steve was such a warm person, and we always looked forward to him "doing his laps" around the neighborhood. Much love to all of you.*

Brian Shanley and Cindy Loos

Cynthia Loos - December 23, 2019 at 12:03 PM

BC

“ I fostered Sailor while Steve and Jess were building their home. I am so sorry that his life was so short. Sending hugs.

Brenda Corthell - December 23, 2019 at 09:23 AM

LW

“ So very sorry to hear.....please know all in thoughts and prayers....Larry and Anne Wood

Larry and Anne Wood - December 23, 2019 at 08:40 AM

LS

“ Steve was a friend who I have known for many years. When he married Jessica that was a really happy occasion for them both but especially Steve. He and Jessica really love each other. Steve and Jessica rescued me two times on the Waccamaw. Both times I had boat trouble. Thank You. I will always appreciate his love for life. I shared my caregiver with him for a while. He thanked me. A real gentleman. I thank God for allowing him to be my friend. Much Love and Blessings to you Jessica.



Lynn Spires - December 23, 2019 at 01:08 AM