



Stephen Shaffer

July 19, 1956 - February 24, 2015

Conway, SC...Stephen Thomas Shaffer, age 58, of Hwy. 139, died Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at his residence.

Mr. Shaffer was born in Columbus, Ohio, a son of Stephen William Shields, Sr. (Janet) and the late Grace Whitesel Shields. He joined the United States Marine Corps in February, 1974 and was a combat veteran of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm (Disabled Veteran). Mr. Shaffer enjoyed small engine repair and carpentry work.

Surviving in addition to his father of Pataskala, OH are, his wife, Sally Shaffer of Conway, SC, two sons, Anthony Shaffer of Columbus, OH and JD Young (Kaitlyn) of Columbus, OH, two daughters, Leslie Dykeman (Billy) of Beaufort, SC and Cassandra Sullivan (William) of Edwards Air Force Base, CA, six grandchildren, two brothers, Stephen Shields (Elvie) of Woodbridge, VA and Doug Shields of Newark, OH, and two sisters, Leah Jones (Phillip) of Titusville, FL and Robin Halbadel of Columbus, OH.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM Sunday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel with Rev. John Sullivan officiating. Burial, with Full Military Honors, will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be sent to www.gofundme.com/ibb1K4

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

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

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Hwy 544
Conway, SC 29526
(843) 347-4909
<https://www.hillcrestcemetery.com/>

Tribute Wall

BS

“ *Becky Stewart-Hofstadter lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Becky Stewart-Hofstadter - March 01, 2015 at 07:17 PM

CH

“ *I won't say goodbye but until we meet again. You are an amazing man and an even better uncle :) I will always cherish all the memories we have had together. I know you will always be watching over us. I love you. You will always be my Uncle Corndog. <3*



Courtney H - February 28, 2015 at 09:55 PM

LR

“ *Love The Sykes: Jeff, Mary, Jessica, Rebecca and Ryan purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Stephen Shaffer.*



Love The Sykes: Jeff, Mary, Jessica, Rebecca and Ryan - February 28, 2015 at 11:13 AM



“ Love you all. Steve will be missed. ~Emily Scanlan



Allison Scanlan - February 28, 2015 at 10:23 AM



“ I love and miss you Steve. ~Connor Scanlan



Allison Scanlan - February 28, 2015 at 10:22 AM



“ I love & miss you ~Julie Scanlan



Allison Scanlan - February 28, 2015 at 10:18 AM



“ Steve, You have been such a big part of our lives for so long. We will truly miss you and your wise-cracker ways. But that was a lot of what we loved about you. You are one of a kind. Really gonna miss you !! But we do know that there is that hope that we will see each other again.... Love and miss you, Jane



Jane Gurney - February 28, 2015 at 10:08 AM

AG

“ *Al Gurney lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Al Gurney - February 28, 2015 at 09:52 AM

AG

“ *Steve, words can't describe the loss I feel. We've known each other for over 32 years and shared a lot of good times. I'll not say goodbye because I know we'll see each other again. We had a change of command at RS Elmhurst and when I arrive in Heaven we will do the same on the streets of gold. Love you always, Later, Al*

Al Gurney - February 28, 2015 at 09:51 AM



“ *Well what can I say old man? I have known you for most of my life. You are like an uncle to me and I am going to miss you dearly. You have been a big part of our family and we love you. Rest in peace. To Sally, Leslie, Cassie, Tony and JD, Our siencere condolences, much love and hugs. We are here for you.*

Allison Scanlan - February 28, 2015 at 09:49 AM



“ *Allison Scanlan lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Allison Scanlan - February 28, 2015 at 09:46 AM

SH

“ Shields lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer



shields - February 28, 2015 at 06:38 AM

SH

“ MY SON I CAN NOT SAY HOW I WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH YOU KNOW DAD LOVE YOU AN I KNOW YOU LOVE ME . YOU WILL SEE MOTHER - GRANDMOTHER YOUR 3 SISTER 1 BRO. LIKE OLD TIMES BUT FOR ALL I JUST GOT TO SAY I LOVE YOU MORE THEN YOU EVERY DID KNOW I WILL MISS YOU SO EVERY DAY I KNOW THAT GOD WILL TAKE VERY GOOD CARE OF YOU LIKE THE OTHER I HOPE TO SEE YOU AGAIN A LL MY LOVE DAD

shields - February 28, 2015 at 06:37 AM



“ Stephen was a brave man fighting a sickening disease. He was also so positive which was such an inspiration to so many!! His battle may be over but he'll always live in the hearts of so many!! May you RIP my friend and may God keep you wrapped in his arms forever!! You will be greatly missed!!! Always love and light to you!!



Ilene Morrison - February 27, 2015 at 07:37 PM

TI

“ My heart is so heavy, Mr. Shaffer always brighten my days when he would come check in here at the hotel. It never really matter if I was having a horrible day, when Mr. Shaffer came in it was automatic smiles and he would tell me "Smile Tia it's not that bad..and if it is" then we would just laugh. Comfort Inn will not be the same. My deepest condolences to the family.



Tia - February 27, 2015 at 05:51 PM

MH

“ Mr. Shaffer always made me and my staff smile when he would come to Charleston. We will definitely miss his smile and voice. My heart goes out to his family.



Melinda Houston - February 27, 2015 at 05:31 PM

OG

“ OLD GOAT lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer



OLD GOAT - February 27, 2015 at 01:36 PM

DA

“ *Dad lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



dad - February 27, 2015 at 11:47 AM

DW

“ *R.I.P cousin. You fought a good fight, you have finished the course, go receive your crown of righteousness. You are loved and will be missed!*

Dave Whitesel - February 26, 2015 at 06:23 PM

DW

“ *Dave Whitesel lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Dave Whitesel - February 26, 2015 at 06:19 PM

DY

“ *While Steve and I could not make our marriage work, we created two wonderful children and had some good times. I am so glad he met and had the love of his life with Sally and know that he will be missed by all of his family. May you rest in peace Shaffer!*

Danette D York - February 26, 2015 at 12:58 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Stephen Shaffer.*



February 26, 2015 at 11:50 AM



“ *Dennis Whitesel lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



dennis whitesel - February 26, 2015 at 11:48 AM



“ *cuz haven't got to be around each other much but will always hold the memories of us growing up. have never for got the time I was driving your vw beetle .and a lot more .thanks for everything for I will always respect ya and be thanking you for everything.peace and love .I salute youlove always Denny*

dennis whitesel - February 26, 2015 at 11:45 AM

AR

“ *Uncle Steve, my heart aches losing you and yet another member of our family... I'm going to miss you and your rotten to the core and fun loving self... Always making us laugh and giving anything you could to anyone who needed you.*

I can only imagine the beautiful reunion you and our other family in heaven are having.

I love you, I miss you, rest easy and I hope I can see you again one day xoxo

*Love,
Apyl -Your favorite Niece ;)*



Apyl Reason - February 26, 2015 at 10:10 AM



“ *Misty Kauff lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Misty Kauff - February 26, 2015 at 10:07 AM

LJ

“ Steve,

A close friend once told me that death is a gift from God releasing us from the pains, pressures and sorrows of this life.

While I know that you are no longer suffering {and I can rejoice in that} i also know that those of us left here on this earth will feel great pain and sorrow at the pain of losing yet another angel in our family.

You've been a wonderful brother with a huge heart, infectious laughter and a smile that will brighten the heavens. Your faith, your love, and your courage will go on forever as a legacy to each of us. Although I miss you dearly, I feel blessed to have been your sister. I will treasure in my heart all the memories we have shared. I will recall them often as I think of you. I will, as Sally had taught me, not say good-bye to you, but say I will see you soon.

I know that you are now there in the presence of God with Mom, Nannie, Dorie, Billie, Christy and all our loved ones who have gone on before us. I can only imagine the celebration, the hugs, the kisses and the joy that you are experiencing. But I also know that when you take a moment, and you will, to turn around, we will be there beside you. Till then, you will always be here in our hearts.

Your love will continue to grow there and we will share it with each other and with new friends and family we will meet. So while the tears and pain of seperation fall on us, know that we will continue to love one another and we celebrate the gift of you and your life.

I love you Steve and I will treasure forever the love we share. I will see you sweetheart!

*Love,
Leah*

Leah Jones - February 26, 2015 at 09:44 AM

LJ

“ *Leah Jones lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Leah Jones - February 26, 2015 at 09:09 AM

WU

“ *RIP Marine !!!
Semper Fi !!!
Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps*



Wayne Williams - UMSC - February 26, 2015 at 08:32 AM

SS

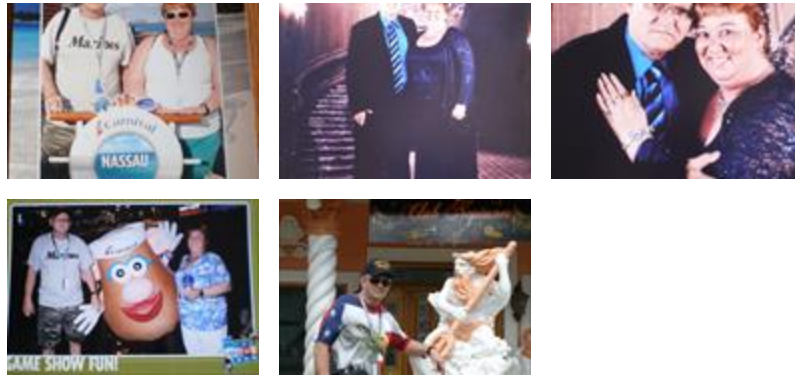
“ *Sally Shaffer lit a candle in memory of Stephen Shaffer*



Sally Shaffer - February 26, 2015 at 08:13 AM

SS

“ 6 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Sally Shaffer - February 26, 2015 at 08:11 AM

JS

“ *Our condolences to you and your family.
You're in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love
The Sykes-
Jeff, Mary, Jessica, Rebecca, and Ryan*



Jeff Sykes - February 25, 2015 at 08:49 PM

KC

“ *Karen Christi lit a candle in memory of
Stephen Shaffer*



karen christi - February 25, 2015 at 07:01 PM

RS

“ *R.I.P. BROTHER*

*Soar through the air
let your spirit fly free,
and with the catch of an angel
this is where you want to be.
our mom and sister's have you
You are lifted up with grace
and taken high above to see Gods face
you are showered with peace and protection
but most of all showered with love.
For now you have no anger
no tears, fear or pain,
these feelings you held are released
and now happiness is all you will gain.
So take Gods hands of freedom
your new life is not to fear,
and remember we'll never forget you
as your love will always be near.
I love you my hero my brother
Your sister
Robin Shields (Halbedel)*

Robin Shields - February 25, 2015 at 01:38 PM