



Steve Edward Gayle

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Steve Edward Gayle was received into the hands of his Savior on October 1, 2010. He is survived by his wife Joy and children Brandon and Sierra of Pearland, daughter Stephanie of New York, son Steven Baker of Houston, 3 brothers and 3 sisters and extended family. Steve leaves behind him a legacy of a life well-lived and battles heroically fought. He was born in Taft, Texas on February 6, 1948, to Zelma Lou and Edward Stevenson, and raised in Corpus Christi. He graduated high school and attended Del Mar College. Steve bravely served his country as a Private First Class in the United States Army from 1967 to 1970 during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged and among his decorations were the National Defense Services Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and 2 OS Bars.

Steve spent the first half of his working career in the oil and gas business, retiring from Unocal in 1999. During that time he was involved in volunteer work at Mission Glen Elementary and began his membership at First Presbyterian Church in Pearland, where he served as a deacon. After retiring from Unocal, Steve returned to work for the government as an administrative program support assistant at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center in Houston, Texas. Steve was deeply proud and honored to serve the veterans at the VA Medical Center and considered this last assignment from his Lord one of his most meaningful in his work history.

Beyond his notable professional accomplishments, however, Steve will be most fondly remembered for the incredible impact he made on the lives of all those he ever met. Steve was particularly brave in his last battle against liver cancer, as he was blessed to receive a liver transplant and bore witness to the amazing grace of Jesus as he walked through the challenge of this with his family and friends. He was a lover of music of all genres, an avid Rockets fan, a hero to all of his children, and a best friend to his wife. He will be deeply missed, though his family rejoices in knowing that he is in the company of his Lord and surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.



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A service of celebration of Steve's life and witness to Jesus Christ will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2010 at 2 p.m. The service will be at First Presbyterian Church in Pearland, and will be conducted under the care of Steve's loving Pastor, Rev. Casey Jones. Several expressions of the Body of Christ will be assisting Rev. Jones in bringing this worship celebration, including the Vineyard Christian Fellowship, Peace Presbyterian, Steve's Acts 29's Men's Group, and numerous prayer servants. Entombment will be at a later date, at the Houston National Cemetery, with full military honors provided by the District Four Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly request that donations be made to the Michael E. DeBakery VA Medical Center, to the attention of "Voluntary Services", 2002 Holcombe, Houston TX 77030. Donations made in memory of Steve will be distributed directly to serving the needs of veterans in the Houston VA.



Tribute Wall

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KC

Kenneth Carmon posted:

To Joy and the family, I offer my deepest belated condolences. I recently found about Steve's passing from Jimmy. I lost communication/contact with Steve but never lost my interest in the relationship we develop when we first met while working together at Unocal. I believe I learned a lot about patience and humanity from Steve. Mr. Gayle, you shaped the person I am and you truly have been and will be missed. God Bless!

February 12 at 7:00 PM

JM

Jimmy And Teresa Millican posted:

Joy, our prayers and condolences to you and your family. Steve was like a big brother to me. We will miss him, his smile, and his uplifting sense of humor. Whenever I was down, he always found a way to lift my spirits. I am so thankful to God to have had such a great friend, and to know that he is resting peacefully now in Heaven with our Lord Jesus Christ. Steve was a warrior while here on earth, and had such strength to endure all the battles that he had to fight. May God bless you, Brandon, and Sierra during this time of loss.

October 21 at 7:00 PM

PD

Pearland Dialysis posted:

Joy our prayers go out to you and your family. May God continue to bless you in this time, stay strong and keep ur head held high.Sincerely, Pearland Dialysis

October 7 at 7:00 PM

JB

Jeff Burandt posted:

God bless Steve and his family.We send your family our deepest condolences.

October 6 at 7:00 PM

PP

Pat Prcin posted:

Steve was definitely one of God's servants and all could tell by the way he lived his life. It was definitely an honor and blessing to have known Steve. May God continue to be your strength and refuge during this time.

October 5 at 7:00 PM



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MH

Marcia Hinds posted:

Steve Edward Gayle, an brave American soldier, a grandly loving father, an adoring husband and a dear friend. Last but not least, the essential, a worshipper of THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

October 5 at 7:00 PM

SA

Sabrina, Nickey, Anna & Jeff Anthony posted:

Our deepest condolences are with you. May the Lord Bless you all and grant you peace during this time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

October 5 at 7:00 PM

SB

Scott & Julie Baxter posted:

We know Steve as friend, neighbor, brother in Christ and a warrior par excellence, both in the natural and in the spiritual. We love you Joy, Sierra and Brandon and honor you and bless you. We are just a phone call or a dog walk away should you need us. To Steve's extended family – thank you. Thank you for such an awesome man. He will be greatly missed.

October 5 at 7:00 PM

TA

The Garcias And Ms. Abby posted:

It was an honor to know and call Steve our friend. He is dearly loved and we will miss him very much. My the Lords grace and love surround you and your family always. You are in our prayers. We love you.

October 5 at 7:00 PM

VB

Vickie Brown posted:

God bless each of you during this time of loss. I remember Steve, Joy, Brandon and Ciera here at Silverlake Elementary and loved the sweet family.

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Steven/Phyllis Scott & The Boys posted:

Words cannot express the way we are feeling at this present moment. To Joy and the children, we love you all. We will miss Steve very much; he was a man of God. We send your family our deepest condolences.

October 5 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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