



Steve Stader

April 25, 1954 - October 17, 2015

Steven Paul Stader, 61, of Monrovia, suddenly passed away from heart complications on Saturday, October 17, 2015, at 10:04pm, in Community North Hospital. He was born on April 25, 1954, in Putnam County Hospital in Greencastle, to the late Paul F. and Anna Marie (Shields) Stader.

A lifetime resident of Monrovia, Steve grew up on a farm located on Kivett Road and graduated from Monrovia High School in 1973. An honest, hardworking, and selfless man, Steve dedicated many years of service working in Morgan County. He worked for a period of time with the County Highway Department and later became a Deputy on the Morgan County Sheriff's Department, where he also ran Animal Control for nearly 10 years. Steve was currently employed at Silvertip (AWG), and delivered propane to several residential and business accounts in the community. He was very active in local 4-H clubs and worked as a ring man at many pig sales and livestock auctions.

Steve possessed a strong and loud personality, which made it impossible for him to ever meet a stranger. He was known to have a genuine heart of gold and always made sure that everyone was taken care of and in check. In his spare time, he could be found coon hunting with his dogs or riding his mules. Above all, his pride and joy in life was spending time with family, especially his grandchildren. His silly, ornery, unfiltered ways are now left in the memories of

his tall tale stories and his generous, kindhearted attitude will live in the hearts of those who were blessed to know him.

Survivors include his loving wife, Kelly (VanArsdol) Stader, to whom he was united in marriage on June 21, 2014; children, Jason Stader (wife, Heather) of Monrovia; Cassie Martin (husband, Jerry) of Greencastle; Cody Stader (companion, Megan Presnell) of Monrovia and Devin Stader (wife, Jessica) of Clayton; Allyson Comer and Ryan Comer (fiancé, Lydia Lawrence) both of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Raegan, Lane, Easton, Colt and Allyson; sister, Jane Ann Crone of Monrovia; nieces and nephews, Brady Crone (wife, Cara), Dusty Crone (wife, Karey) and Jena Crone (fiancé, Tim Smith) all of Monrovia; great nephews, Greyson, Harris and Levi.

On Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 2pm, friends and family are invited to meet at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia, and follow in a funeral procession to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall. The procession will leave the funeral home at 2:30pm and the graveside service will be held at 3pm. Immediately following services, a Celebration of Life Gathering will take place at the Edwards Farm, located on 7011 N. Kivett Road, Monrovia. Per Steve's wishes, please dress comfortable and casual along with the rest of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made payable to the Monrovia 4-H Supporters, c/o 7834 N. Kivett Rd., Monrovia, IN 46157. Directions to the Celebration of Life and contribution envelopes will be provided by the funeral home. To share a favorite memory, sign the online guest registry or light a candle in Steve's memory visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Previous Events

Friends & Family Gathering

OCT **22**. 3:30 PM (ET)

Edwards Farm
7011 N. Kivett Road
Monrovia, IN 46157

Tribute Wall

GD

“ It was this time of year but forty some years ago.I was uptown at Edna Finchum's cafe when I heard a commotion.Steve and some buddies were in the back of an old grain truck , apparently trying to stop a load of pumpkins from jumping out into the street.They couldn't save those poor pumpkins but Steve and Fergie were kind enough to shovel the mess BACK into the truck while the nice deputy shined his (flashing) lights for them.Rest in peace Steve.

Greg dunigan - October 24, 2015 at 09:29 AM

LK

“ Lynn Hinshaw Kempf lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Lynn Hinshaw Kempf - October 22, 2015 at 02:50 PM

BB

“ Steve was such a nice guy who always seemed to have a smile on his face and a story to tell. He took great care of his customers and friends!! He will truly be missed!! Thank you so much Steve , and God Bless !!



Bill and Lynn Buescher - October 22, 2015 at 09:23 AM

BA

“ *Bo & Pat Ashley lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Bo & Pat Ashley - October 22, 2015 at 09:02 AM

KC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Steve's family during this sad time. Steve was a classmate and I have fond memories of him and Jane. May the loving memories you have comfort you and bring you peace.*

Kathy Wiley Carlino

Kathryn Wiley Carlino - October 22, 2015 at 08:48 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steve Stader .*



October 22, 2015 at 08:33 AM



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes* ”



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - October 21, 2015 at 11:06 PM

Jack
Adams
Jr.

“ *Jack Adams Jr. lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader* ”



Jack Adams Jr. - October 21, 2015 at 11:05 PM

JA

“ My husband & I met Steve in 1974, when he was a grain hauler. We talked to him on the CB radio. We did not live very far from Coop. In Indpls. After months of talking on the CB, we met in person. He would come over to the house, or we would go get him. Steve took our boy with back to his house in Monrovia. Steve's mom was feeding a lamb or a calf in the kitchen. Jack Jr. (our son) thought that was the greatest thing he had ever seen. He was only 4 yrs.old. It was really hard to explain that we could not have a farm animal in the house. We never heard of Monrovia, we asked him what kind of hicktown was it. Steve's CB handle was Hicktown Kid. In 1984, we moved to Monrovia/Moorssville. Both of our boy's graduated from Monrovia, also are grandchildren and now our Great Grandchildren. God Bless the family, may you rest in peace. Bullwinkle & Little Bit (Jack & Dee Adams)



Jack & Dee Adams - October 21, 2015 at 07:53 PM

HS

Love this story! Thanks for sharing! ~Heather Stader

Heather Stader - October 22, 2015 at 09:01 AM

CS

I always wanted to know how he got that name its still in the concrete pad poured for the hog house

Cody Stader - July 04, 2017 at 05:50 PM

YP

“ Yolanda Houtchings And George Pate lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Yolanda Houtchings and George Pate - October 21, 2015 at 06:53 PM

DC

“ Our deepest sympathies go out to your family. We are deeply saddened by the news of Steve's passing. Steve will be greatly missed but not forgotten. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may the soul of your loved one rest in peace. When we lose a loved one here on earth, we gain an angel in heaven that watches over us. May you take comfort in knowing that you have an angel to watch over you now. We extend our most sincere condolences.

Phil and Donna Campbell & family

Donna Campbell - October 21, 2015 at 06:48 PM

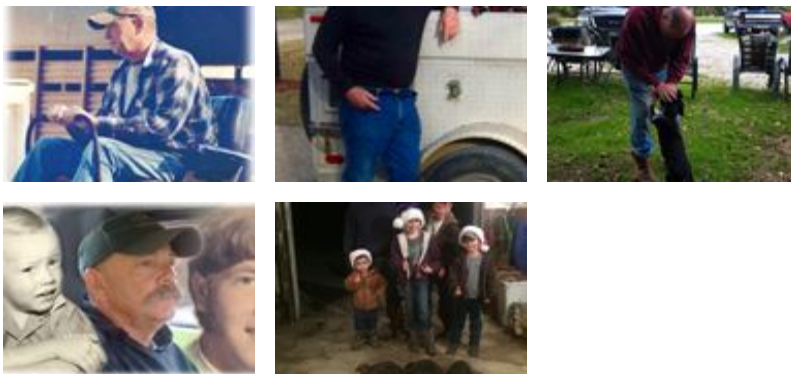
AC

“ Sorry to hear about Steve's passing. I will always remember all the good times both Steve and Jane Ann spent with Amy and Jeff when they were young. Steve was a good person who would do everything he could to help people. Please know that his spirit will live forever in your hearts!

Ann Cox - October 21, 2015 at 02:17 PM



“ 67 files added to the album Life Tributes



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - October 21, 2015 at 01:33 PM

SL

“ *Sheryl Morris Loudermilk lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Sheryl Morris Loudermilk - October 21, 2015 at 01:05 PM

TF

“ *The Amos Family lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



The Amos Family - October 21, 2015 at 10:45 AM



“ *Jessie Beach lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Jessie Beach - October 21, 2015 at 09:50 AM

PM

“ *Very sorry to hear if Steve's passing it was a shock to me when preacher Jack announced it in church Sunday. I know he will be missed by all of you as well as he will be missed by me. I never called the gas company just called Steve and he came and took care of me. After filling my tank we would visit a few minutes and exchange a few tall tells. I liked Steve very much and will miss him.*
Paul L Mason

Paul L Mason - October 21, 2015 at 07:52 AM

PD

“ One more "hey, sister" I'll never hear again. I'll never forget the first time my kids heard that and looked at me like "what have you not told us?" I'll miss you greatly, "little brother".
"Sister"

Patty Dow - October 20, 2015 at 05:42 PM

DM

“ Denny And April Musgrave lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Denny and April Musgrave - October 20, 2015 at 05:10 PM

MS

“ Mary Sowers lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



mary sowers - October 20, 2015 at 04:06 PM

MS

I am so sorry for your loss.

mary sowers - October 20, 2015 at 04:07 PM

MK

“ *Cassie and Family, God will definitely show you the way to smiling again. I know this experience will change you FOREVER. Just remember all the good times you shared you shared with your Daddy and all the love he gave you throughout the years. He is not gone. He will always live in your heart FOREVER.*

My heart aches for you and your family. If you need anything or just a shoulder to cry on.

I'm right here girly.

Micah

micah kaser - October 20, 2015 at 03:34 PM

DO

“ *Difficult times at this moment, cherish his legacy and remember all those he touched with his sense of humor and animal knowledge. He was an advocate for kids and 4-H. May you find comfort as you think of the memories and laugh until your tummy hurts and the tears become tears of joy in celebrating his life.*

Denise Oxford and family

Denise Oxford - October 20, 2015 at 02:32 PM

LB

“ *Lu Baker lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Lu Baker - October 20, 2015 at 02:28 PM



“ Jane Ann,
 Was so sorry to hear of Steve's death. Maybe you won't even remember me but I can still remember all the fun times at your house. Steve doesn't sound like he ever changed and had a fulfilled life. Think of you often. Take care and prayers to you and your family.
 Becky Matthews Adams

Becky Adams - October 20, 2015 at 02:17 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steve Stader .



October 20, 2015 at 01:25 PM



“ Carol Anne Pennington lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Carol Anne Pennington - October 20, 2015 at 11:26 AM



Thoughts and prayers are with the family in this difficult time. Steve was a great person. There will always be a lot of good county fair memories.

Carol Anne Pennington - October 20, 2015 at 11:30 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Steve Stader .*



October 20, 2015 at 10:47 AM



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



Heather Stader - October 20, 2015 at 08:39 AM



“ *Thinking of you and yours.....*

Roxann Carter Anderson - October 20, 2015 at 07:34 AM



“ *Paul And Dona Hinshaw lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Paul and Dona Hinshaw - October 20, 2015 at 07:15 AM



We know your family is hurting and we are sorry for your pain. We pray you will heal quickly and you will all have your beautiful memories of Steve.

Paul and Dona Hinshaw - October 20, 2015 at 07:21 AM

HS

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



Heather Stader - October 19, 2015 at 10:07 PM



“ *Maggie Neidigh lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Maggie Neidigh - October 19, 2015 at 10:00 PM



So very sorry to see this. Praying for the family as they grieve. May your good memories help sustain you thru this difficult time.

Maggie Neidigh - October 19, 2015 at 10:02 PM



“ *Christi Bunch lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader*



Christi Bunch - October 19, 2015 at 09:00 PM

AC

“ Angie Cook lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Angie Cook - October 19, 2015 at 08:44 PM

PF

“ What a loss, so sorry he will be missed.



Pam & Kevin Kivett & Family - October 19, 2015 at 08:33 PM

KA

“ Karen McKee Arthur lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Karen McKee Arthur - October 19, 2015 at 08:22 PM

JR

“ Jackie Royal lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Jackie Royal - October 19, 2015 at 08:08 PM

IT

“ So sorry to hear about Steve. I will not be able to come the services. Steve was a true and loyal friend. He will be greatly missed. Always had a hug for me.



Ida Temple - October 19, 2015 at 08:03 PM

JM

“ Sending prayers to the family. Steve will be missed by all who knew him.

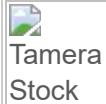
Jack McCracken

jack mccracken - October 19, 2015 at 07:50 PM

 John Chastain

“ So Sorry for your loss! Prayers out to the family.

John Chastain - October 19, 2015 at 07:31 PM



“ My memories of Steve evolve around my son's "The Stock Twins" the past few years he worked our boys around his farm, doing all kinds of farm work, and on off days hunting with them. Steve and Kelly have welcomed them in there home and treat them both as a member of there family. So over the past few years they have become family of the heart and Steve a mentor/role model we could not ask for a better Man to set examples for our boys. Eli shared a memory with me yesterday Steve would cook lunch if Kelly wasn't home for them and both twins favorite meal Steve made a lot for the was fried smoke sausage and melted cheese sandwichs. We are Truly Blessed to have met Steve, Kelly and there families. Our Family will Truly miss him and his kind and generous heart he has for our sons.
Tamara & Richard Stock



Tamera Stock - October 19, 2015 at 07:21 PM

CM

Tamara, I would stop by as they would working from time to time and as they headed up to where I was dad was always smiling. I can remember him getting on one of them about making sure they did something you guys had told them to do. After they left he said I really didn't need tell them but I want to make sure they stay outstanding men! He was so proud to have the boys around!

Cassie (Stader) Martin - October 21, 2015 at 09:04 PM



Thank you so much for telling me this, this will mean the world to them both!! I'm so very sorry for your loss.

Tamera Stock - October 22, 2015 at 08:55 PM

JM

“ Prayers to the family, I've known Steve my whole life, he was a great classmate and friend , lots and lots of fun together, will miss you partner.

Jerry McCracken

Jerry mccracken - October 19, 2015 at 07:15 PM

DB

“ We would like to extend our heartfelt condolences to Steve's family. He was a decent man, and a gentleman.
Nancy's Hardware and Feed

DJ Belcher - October 19, 2015 at 06:59 PM

KM

“ Sad that a classmate has passed. My sincere condolences to Steve's family on our loss.

Kelly McClara (Class of 73)



kelly mcclara - October 19, 2015 at 06:10 PM

EG

“ To Steve's family, our sympathies to you for your loss. Steve was indeed a good man. We will be unable to attend the services for him but we are praying for strength and comfort for you all..

*Love in Christ,
Norm and Elaine Gregory.*

Elaine Gregory - October 19, 2015 at 05:49 PM

WK

“ Wow, So sad to hear it. I went to school with Steve haven't seen him in a while. I always liked Steve we had a good time in Mr. Wagoner VoAg class. My condolences to the family. RIP old friend til we meet aging.



William "Chet" Kindle - October 19, 2015 at 05:46 PM

JF

“ Sorry to here this, Steve was a good man, he used to take me coon hunting as a teenager. I wish I could've spent more time with him.



Jacob farris - October 19, 2015 at 05:39 PM

Gary Sellers

“ Cody; You have my deepest sympathy during these troubled times. I will pray for you & yours.

God Bless
Gary Sellers

Gary Sellers - October 19, 2015 at 05:34 PM

Gary Sellers

“ Gary Sellers lit a candle in memory of Steve Stader



Gary Sellers - October 19, 2015 at 05:31 PM