



# Stevie Deffebaugh

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**M**r. Stevie Deffebaugh, 53 of Fayetteville, AR passed away Sunday, August 8, 2004 in Fayetteville, AR. He was born April 10, 1951 in Fayetteville to James Alvin and Lodene (Fisher) Deffebaugh. He was a 1970 graduate of Fayetteville High School West Campus and was a member of the Combs Street Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Joyce Laverne Deffebaugh and Dorothy Fanning.

He is survived by his brother, Phil Deffebaugh of Fayetteville, three sisters, Sharon Holder, Jimmye Whitfield both of Fayetteville, and Lillie Deffebaugh of Atlanta, GA, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 11, 2004 from noon until 9:00 PM with the family present to greet friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Nelson-Berna Funeral Home in Fayetteville.

Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM Thursday, August 12, 2004 at North Street Church of Christ in Fayetteville with Mr. Stephen West and Rev. Gary Lunsford officiating. Burial will follow at National Cemetery in Fayetteville.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Assn.

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SW

**Sheryl Potter (Friend From Wrmc)** posted:

I was so sorry to learn of Stevie's passing. It was only a few short weeks ago I ran into him at Arvest Bank in the Joyce Street Supercenter and he was (as usual) cracking jokes with the tellers and spreading rays of the sunshine he was so famous for around Fayetteville. It was a rare month when I didn't see him somewhere about town, and I will miss him something terrible.

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MF

**Makii Atha Watson (Friend)** posted:

Sept. 3, 2004 I have been working out of state for the summer. I arrived home last night and heard about Stevie. I am so sorry. He is a Fayetteville Icon and will be missed. Makii

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GF

**Gary And Anne Harrell (Friend)** posted:

What a special honor to have Stevie as a friend. Stevie was fun (we always laughed when we talked). Stevie was informative (no one knew more about Razorback football) and he kept me up to speed. Best of all, Stevie always pointed me to the Lord Jesus. It was always great to have him praying for me and my family. I know he is rejoicing with new found health and abilities at this very moment. Anne and I was so sorry to have missed his funeral. We were in Dallas the week he passed away. Our lives were richer for having Stevie as our friend. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family during this time.

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AC

**Audrey & Kirk Deffebaugh (Cousins)** posted:

we will miss seeing him at farmers market with his smile and a hand shake and always a conversation. we'll miss you stevie

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RF

**Robert V. Cupp (Friend)** posted:

Years ago, as a young staff member at University Baptist, I met Stevie. Through the years, he remained a memorable and enjoyable person. His passing is a personal loss for me and for all of Fayetteville as well. He will be missed.

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CL

**C. Angela Buchanan And Lindsay Blackburn (Cousin In-Law)** posted:

We shall miss Stevie. I know that he and jun shall be reunited. we send our deepest regards to you the family. May God bless and keep you. Angela Buchanan and Family

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DF

**Daphne L. Morris (Church Friend)** posted:

Stevie was always such an encouragement to me. His dedication to the Lord always helped me to strive to work for Christ.

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DA

**Debbie Gibson (Acquaintance)** posted:

I was a nurse at WRMC and I met Stevie there. He was always friendly and had kind words to say. He called me a couple of months ago to get my address to send me his new picture. He later called me and just wanted to pray over the phone and that really touched me. I look forward to seeing him again someday in heaven.

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MF

**Mark Hanna (Friend)** posted:

You will be missed, but never forgotten, Stevie.

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CF

**Coach & Betty Horton (Friend)** posted:

We will miss Stevie and his friendly smile. He called us many times to see if Coach Horton had gone fishing for any crappie. We usually had some to share with him in our freezer and his Mom was so good to cook them for him. He was so appreciative.

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JF

**Jeane Mack (Friend)** posted:

How missed you will be sweet Stevie. You were our little Fayetteville smile. God rest your soul. Those you touched with your kind words on smile will pass on your kindness.

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CC

**Carmen Lierly Family (From West Campus )** posted:

I am deeply sorry for your loss. God takes the good ones home to his garden.

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EA

**Erin Mohney (Acquaintance)** posted:

Stevie would stand at the hospital elevators and shake everyone's hands. He was a very sweet man!

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LA

**Larry And Bobbie Platt (Acquaintance)** posted:

We were very sorry to hear about Stevie. My husband and I were both raised in and around Fayetteville. We have met and talked with Stevie many times over the course of years, exchanged address, birthdates - etc. Stevie was a very special person, very kind and sweet to anyone he meet, his smiling face and thoughtful words will be greatly missed. He was truly a part history to the UofA and Fayetteville.

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BF

**Barry And Dianna Watson (Friend)** posted:

We will always remember Stevie as a fun loving person that never met a stranger and was always a friend to everyone. He will truly be missed.

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DA

**Dan & Connie Short (Acquaintance)** posted:

The sweetest guy in the world, all of Fayetteville will miss Stevie!!!!

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**Teresa Pictor (Friend From Around Town)** posted:

I met Stevie about 1976. I had just moved to Fayetteville to attend the University. The first time I remember him was in front of Collier's Drug Store on Dickson one sunny day. Since that time I have run into Stevie at UofA when I worked at Darby Hall, Delux Restaurant when I worked there, University Baptist Church, Farmer's Market, Wal Mart, and many other places. Over the years Stevie and I became friends. I used to work with Theo Hall and he would always say "Trica (he called me that and I can hear it now) what did Theo say about me?" He loved to hear me tell about the time he used to stand outside Theo's house and yell, "Would you like to be queen for a day!" Of course, he would ask me my birthday and his usual inquiries. He knew my daughter and my husband just from being out and about. Sometime in the last couple of weeks I waved hello to him as I went into Mall Wal Mart. That was the last time I saw him. Strangely, I was driving past Wilson Park yesterday and I suddenly just began thinking of Stevie. I just thought of all the times we'd said "hello" and conversed over the years. I don't read the paper all that much, but yesterday I was offered a free one and said, "Why not?" As I was home looking through it I saw the article in the Times on Stevie. He was a great little character and I will never forget him. I can't believe I won't run into him again walking to the market or somewhere in town. But I just bet he is glad to see Theo and others again in the beautiful place he is now and I hope I see him again someday in that place. God bless you in your "goodbye" time. I know we will all miss him. But he left us a beautiful example of a life well-lived.

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**Marilynn R. Curry (Acquaintance)** posted:

To all Stevie's family, I worked on the Square in Fayetteville for many years. I often saw Stevie walking around there and visiting people. I loved the smile that was always on his face and the way he could touch the hearts of people from all walks of life. Stevie is a child of God who will be sorely missed here on earth. God (and Stevie) watch over all of you and give you strength and comfort.

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**Vernon Tarver (Friend)** posted:

I will miss Stevie. He was a big part of Fayetteville's history and lore.

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PR

**Paul Remington** posted:

I met Stevie one day at the hospital. My wife was in her last days of cancer and in walked Stevie to visit. He really didn't know either of us, but it was such a sweet thing to come in and visit and I never forgot it. God will bless him greatly in heaven! Thank you Stevie

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RF

**Ron & Sharon Harrison (Longtime Friend)** posted:

FAMILY, I WORKED FOR GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION DURING THE 1960'S AND 1970'S. FISHER BUICK WAS ONE OF MY DEALERSHIPS. JIM & PRESLEY, REGULARLY GAVE ME A HARD TIME WHEN I CAME ON THE LOT. THEY WERE SPECIAL TO ME. THIS IS WHERE I FIRST MET STEVIE. OVER THE YEARS, SHARON AND I VISITED WITH STEVIE ON THE SQUARE, WAL-MART AND OTHER SITES. WE SHARED HIS STORIES OF SURGERY AND HIS LONG WAIT FOR IT. HE WAS A SPECIAL GUY TO ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE NEVER FORGOT A FRIENDLY FACE AND WOULD ALWAYS SHARE HIS THOUGHTS WITH US. WE ARE SADDENED TO LEARN HE HAS PASSED AWAY. WE WILL MISS HIM. MAY GOD BLESS THIS FAMILY...AND KNOW YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS.

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KD

**Kathie Evans (Phil Deffebaugh)** posted:

Phil, I was so sorry to hear of Stevie's death. My thoughts and prayers are with you and Glenda at this time. If possible I'll see you at the visitation.

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CB

**Colby Bauer** posted:

When my family moved to Fayetteville in 1980, Steve was the first person we met. I remember my dad pulled into the Rexall Drugs store on Dickson Street to get some allergy medication, and the rest of us waited in the car. All of a sudden, we heard a light tapping on the window, and there was this odd little man asking us to roll down the window. My mother rolled it down, and Steve introduced himself. I remember his exact words, "Hi there. My name is Steve J. Deffebaugh, and I'd like to be your friend." After I moved back to Texas in 1990, I really hadn't thought of Steve, until today. I learned of his passing via a Google search, and was quite saddened to read the news. He was a great guy, and had not one hateful cell in his entire body. He loved everyone, and everyone loved him. Rest in peace, Steve. Until we meet again.

April 23 at 7:00 PM



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