



## Stephen Harwell

April 28, 1949 - August 6, 2024

HARWELL, Stephen Marshall, age 75, passed away on Tuesday, August 6 in Wilmington, North Carolina after his loving wife and sister were at his bedside. Steve was the young son of Paul B. and Mary Marshall Poston Harwell, born in Mooresville, NC where he lived most of his life. He graduated from Mooresville High School in 1967 and Lenoir-Rhyne University in 1971 and had a long professional career with Conagra Foods.

Steve's strong character and positive outlook provided him a rich life where passions were fulfilled and challenges overcome. His love for the water was evident as he was a boater and fisherman who lived on Lake Norman and then moved to Oak Island in 2021. Being on and around water were so important to Steve, he shared this interest with friends and family who often joined him in beach vacations and water excursions. The many who knew Steve are thankful for his gifts of friendship, compassion, concern, and great and constant sense of humor.

Included in Steve's talents were one of service. Steve made the most of difficult situations and was a dedicated advocate for those who struggled with addiction. He also worked for various school districts helping students with academics and homework and even drove a school bus for Lake Norman Elementary and a van for Lowes' YMCA in Mooresville. Steve was a church volunteer, and after moving to Oak Island, he participated in Trinity United

Methodist Church (UMC) Southport's after school program for kids.

Steve was predeceased by his eldest daughter Mary Louisa Harwell Little and is survived by wife Dianne Harwell, youngest daughter Sara Harwell Stephenson and husband Adam, his sister Sue Harwell Schutt and husband Ed, and Dianne's children Amanda and Alex Wynn. He leaves behind many loving family members including cousins, nieces and nephews, and his beloved dogs: Sarge & Moxie.

Visitation will be on Friday, August 16 from 5-7PM at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home on 494 E Plaza Dr, Mooresville, NC 28115. A Celebration of Life Service will be held 11AM Saturday, August 17, at Vanderburg UMC on 1809 Charlotte Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115 with interment to follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, Children's Ministries. Please make checks payable to Trinity UMC and put Children's Ministries on the memo line (or in a note). The church address is 209 E Nash St, Southport, NC 28461.

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

AUG **16**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

## Memorial Service

AUG **17**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vanderburg Methodist Church  
1809 Charlotte Hwy  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

# Tribute Wall

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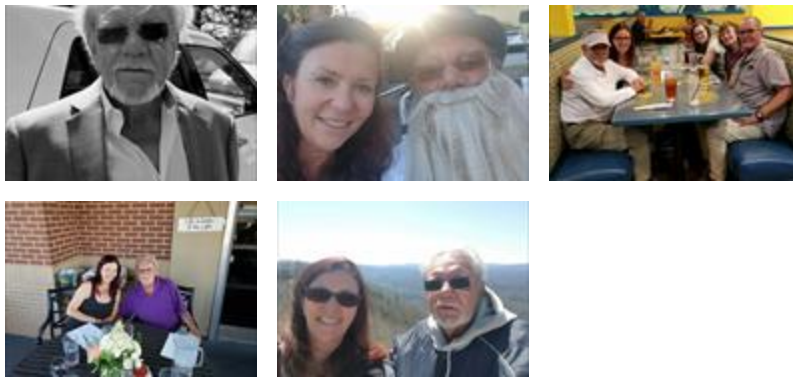
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KA

“ KarenSmith lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



KarenSmith - August 16, 2024 at 09:25 AM

CJ

“ Cindy Jacobs lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



Cindy Jacobs - August 15, 2024 at 10:09 AM



“ Beverly Holt lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



Beverly Holt - August 15, 2024 at 07:33 AM

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“ MHS Class Of 1967 lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



MHS Class of 1967 - August 14, 2024 at 10:03 PM

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“ Millie McKenzie Hyman lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



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MS

“ Mike Smith lit a candle in memory of Stephen Harwell



Mike Smith - August 14, 2024 at 08:57 PM

JJ

“ I am so sorry about Steve's passing! I always loved him. He was such a good daddy to Loiusa and Sara. He was a good man. He's with Louisa and the rest of his loved ones in heaven now. I know y'all will miss him terribly. Prayers lifting you, Diane, Sara, Sue and the rest of the family up during this sad time. God bless you all. 🙏

Jane Gantt Johnson - August 14, 2024 at 02:21 PM