



Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard

February 13, 1961 - April 8, 2016

Steve Douglas Dillard, 55, passed away on April 8th, 2016 in his home surrounded by his close friends and family, after a lengthy battle with brain cancer. Steve is survived by his wife of 29 years, Kim Clark Dillard; one son, Clark Douglas Dillard, and daughter in law, Carly Caldwell Dillard; one daughter, Kathryn Lindsey Dillard and her fiancé Trey Pruiett.

Steve's mother is Virginia Vines Dillard of Rosston and he was preceded in death by his father Joe Douglas Dillard, as well as his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Collis M. Dillard and Mr. and Mrs. James T. Vines. He has one sister, Sherry Dillard, of Rosston. He also leaves to cherish his memory his mother and father in law, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Clark; two sisters in law, Gina (Tony) Clegg of Colt, Jan (Michael) Perkins of Little Rock. He has six nephews: Preston (Rebecca) Clegg of Little Rock, Dustin (Beth) Clegg of Wynne, Ryan and Riley Perkins of Little Rock, Joseph Hood and Jake Mealer of Rosston. He has three great nieces, Laynie and Selah Clegg, and London Hood; and three great nephews, Jud, Paxton, and Truett Clegg and a host of friends.

Steve was born on February 13th, 1961. His parents noticed at an early age his love and giftedness for music. At the age of nine he played the piano at a wedding for the first time. He composed songs and played for his youth choir at Garrett Memorial Baptist Church in Hope, AR. He graduated in 1979 from Bodcaw High School. Shortly after graduation, he was chosen to travel internationally with musicians from across the United States called The Continental Singers. He traveled with them throughout Europe. While in

college, Steve wrote and arranged a musical called "Abandoned to His Love" that was performed by a three hundred-voice choir in Dallas, TX.

In 1984, he received his BS in church music and a minor in Christian Education from Central Baptist College in Conway, AR. He served on staff at three churches as a worship pastor; Wakefield Baptist Church in Little Rock, Calvary Baptist Church in Morrilton, and Park Place Baptist Church in Bryant. During his tenure in ministry, he wrote numerous choruses and composed many songs. Steve was a member at Wynne Baptist Church. His love for his Lord, his family, his church, and his music leaves a rich legacy that will be remembered in the lives of people that he has impacted for eternity. The visitation will be at Stevens Funeral Home in Forrest City, on Monday April 11th, 2016 from 6 to 8 pm. The service will be held at Wynne Baptist Church on April 12th, 2016 at 2 pm with the burial to follow at Lindsey Cemetery in Caldwell. Visit online registry at stevensfuneralhome.net

*The family requests that all memorials be sent to "While We're Waiting" - a ministry for bereaved parents at PO Box 22823, Hot Springs, AR 71903 or online at www.whilewerewaiting.org

Cemetery Details

Lindsey Cemetery

Barrow Hill Road
Forrest City, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home
220 North Washington
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-5400
info@stevensfuneralhome.net
<https://www.stevensfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

APR 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Wynne Baptist Church
1200 E. Bridges Ave.
Wynne, AR 72396

Tribute Wall

KP

“ Loved Steve so much and he was such a great role model for me. I am so saddened by his loss.

Kim Calhoun Parker - April 14, 2016 at 12:13 PM

PG

“ Please know you are all in my prayers during this time of your great loss!! And what a loss- Steve was the kindest, sweetest, most talented person I have ever known! Everything he did was beautiful, even down to his left handed handwriting!! Most lefties struggle with writing, but not Steve!! His penmanship was beautiful just like his music, his personality- he was just truly one of God's beautiful people!!! I was blessed and honored to have known him!! I'm so sorry Ms. Virginia and Sherry and the entire family!! I pray for your comfort!! Love Always, Penni Spurlock Gentry



Penni Spurlock Gentry - April 13, 2016 at 02:25 PM

SF

“ Bo and Lee Ann Floyd send our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the entire family of Steve Dillard. I had the privilege of going to school with Kim and I never personally met Steve but he had to be very special. Our prayers will be lifted up for the Dillard family and I know God will bring comfort to your family.

Stephen (Bo) Floyd - April 13, 2016 at 01:34 PM

EC

“ Steve was super talented. He had a fantastic ear for music. At a young age he picked out one of my compositions entitled "God's Got a Remedy." He composed some beautiful and challenging music. I have one about how important it is for everyone to tell the lost world about Jesus. I am saddened to know such an important warrior's life is not here, but I know heaven is even more beautiful with his presence there.

Edward Cooper - April 12, 2016 at 06:19 PM

JB

“ Kim, it saddens me to know that our world is left without a gracious man who had a servant's heart. That is how I remember him from our time together at Central Baptist College and from his playing piano at mine and Angela's wedding. I am praying for God's grace, mercy and peace to carry and sustain you from one day to the next as you deal with his passing. God's blessings on you all!

Jimmy Binns and Family

Jimmy Binns - April 12, 2016 at 05:44 PM

DD

“ I will always cherish my fond memories of Steve. An indelible impression was made on me at an early age, shooting hoops with my cousin Steve in Aunt Virginia's driveway. He will always remind me of all that can be good about good people. - David Darr - Frisco, TX



DAVID L DARR - April 12, 2016 at 03:13 PM

KM

“ Kyle and DeAnna (Darr) Mitchell purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.



Kyle and DeAnna (Darr) Mitchell - April 12, 2016 at 11:50 AM

GS

“ Garrett Memorial Baptist Church Staff purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.



Garrett Memorial Baptist Church Staff - April 12, 2016 at 10:31 AM

JF

“ Jim and Nita Lindsey and family purchased the *Li ly and Rose Tribute Spray* for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.



Jim and Nita Lindsey and family - April 12, 2016 at 09:15 AM

BS

“ Barbara Schwerman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard



Barbara Schwerman - April 12, 2016 at 09:01 AM

DS

“ *Donnie And Cathy Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard*



Donnie and Cathy Sanders - April 11, 2016 at 10:12 PM

DS

Steve was a true example of God's love for us. He will be missed. RIP Steve. Praying for the Dillard family.

Donnie and Cathy Sanders - April 11, 2016 at 10:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.*



April 11, 2016 at 06:35 PM

OC

“ *When I was just a baby Christian someone invited me to a women's retreat. This young wife shared of the diagnosis of her husband's illness. She had joy in the midst of her not knowing what was in store. Kim kept her sweet spirit and Steve did too along this journey that neither knew would take them so far. We love you and are praying for you and your family, Kim. Steve will be missed but oh the joy to know that one day you will see him again. Whole and completely healed. PTL. Opal and Bobby Chapman*

opal & bobby chapman - April 11, 2016 at 06:03 PM

BV

“ I first met Steve & Kim when he was a youth minister at Calvary Baptist Church in Morrilton. One of my fondest memories of any person was of Steve. When my grandmother passed away, Steve asked how I was.....I told him I was a little disappointed that when my aunt & dad made funeral arrangements, they failed to include one of my grandmother's favorite hymns - The Old Rugged Cross. My grandmother raised me and I know just how special this song was to her. The funeral was held at the church and Steve played the music. I held up fine until the funeral was over and friends started to file toward the front.....Steve began playing The Old Rugged Cross!! I started crying and to this day it still brings tears to my eyes.....not that my grandmother was gone, because even though I would miss her, I knew she was in such a wonderful place. But I was moved beyond words at such a simple act of kindness Steve showed using his talent to make sure my grandmother had her favorite song included and that my wishes about it were met. I know this is the kind of love and kindness Steve spread to those around him every single day.

What a great testimony Steve's life has been and the love he has left will forever be remembered. My deepest sympathy to Kim and family.

Brenda Victory
Morrilton, AR

Brenda Victory - April 11, 2016 at 05:14 PM

PA

“ Kathryn & family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sadness.
The obituary is a wonderful tribute to your dad and I feel as though I
"know" him after reading it. I pray that your happy memories carry
you through the days ahead. God bless each of you.
Pam Mangrum, Teacher Education Department, ASU

Pam - April 11, 2016 at 04:12 PM

JH

“ My husband and I had the privilege of being
led in choir by this incredibly talented man at
Park Place Baptist. Steve had such a strong
love for Christ that it just shown all around
him always. I admired him tremendously. God
blessed him with a a beautiful wife and children who love our Lord
and who love him so. I look forward to hearing him play his beautiful
music again one day. Love and prayers for his sweet family.



Jerrie and Roy Holbrook - April 11, 2016 at 03:13 PM

DJ

“ Dora Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Steve Douglas Dillard



Dora Jones - April 11, 2016 at 02:41 PM

DJ

“ *Kim, I am so sorry for your loss. I always thought you were such a beautiful and sweet young girl when I taught you in school. I never knew Steve, but he had to be special to have married you. Your family is in my prayers.*

*Dora Flanagin Jones
Searcy, Ar.*

Dora Jones - April 11, 2016 at 02:40 PM

ST

“ *Shirley Williams Thorn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard*



Shirley Williams Thorn - April 11, 2016 at 02:25 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.*



April 11, 2016 at 11:56 AM



“ Steve was such a joy for everyone with whom he came in contact. He was my first Central Baptist College intern at Central Baptist Church in Prescott. What a blessing he was to that church and to my family and me. He possessed such talent and yet demonstrated such humility!

Our prayers are for all the family during this difficult time. May the Peace of Christ dwell richly in your hearts.

Tom Mitchell, Senior Pastor, Chenal Valley Baptist Church, Little Rock

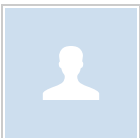
Tom Mitchell - April 11, 2016 at 11:50 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.



April 11, 2016 at 11:17 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Steve Douglas Dillard.



April 11, 2016 at 10:44 AM

MS

“ I grew knowing Steve and his family. He was one of the sweetest men I've ever meet and his talent was indescribable. I am praying for his sweet family. He will be missed but we will see him again someday!!

Merigayle Stockton - April 11, 2016 at 09:41 AM

JD

“ My favorite memory of Steve makes reference to the incredible talent God gave him. Several of us were sitting in my dorm room at CBC talking and there was some music playing in the background. Steve wasn't engaged in the conversation and asked for a piece of paper and pencil. He sat there quiet while the rest of us talked. Finally, I asked him what he was doing. He replied, "I really like this song and I want to learn it". While we talked he wrote out every note of the music by just hearing it. I was in awe! He had such incredible talent!

Jerry Dudley

Jerry Dudley - April 11, 2016 at 08:04 AM

BC

“ Sang in a dramatic musical at the BMA national meeting my freshman year at CBC. He wrote and arranged almost all the music. My favorite song was "From A Broken Me". Truly a great musician but more importantly an example of Christian faith. Prayers for his family

Bryan Cole - April 10, 2016 at 09:05 PM

JB

“ Steve was the most gifted pianist I have ever heard. We we're privileged to attend church with him at Park Place Baptist. He directed our music program and I was able to be in ensemble under his direction. He taught me so much. When my mother went to Heaven in 2001, Steve beautifully played the piano and sang *The Anchor Holds* at her service. It was amazing as usual and blessed our family and friends beyond measure. Praying for his precious family. We love you guys.

Jamie Ball - April 10, 2016 at 07:44 PM

RS

“ I meet Steve and his wonderful family in 1999. He came to Park Place Baptist Church, when it was in Little Rock just off of University. He was the choir director. But he was so much more. He was the most talent person. I loved sing in his choir and I know now he is playing the piano that he played so well for our Lord and Savior. My love and prayers for his family
Rebecca Seaton Schug



Rebecca Schug - April 10, 2016 at 07:40 PM