



Stephen "Steve" Olson

June 12, 2011

Olson, Stephen James "Steve" age 40, of Edina. Preceded in death by his best friend and devoted father, Jim. Survived by cherished sons Jack and Samuel and their mother Patty; beloved mother Jacque; adored sister Stacey (Huebner); and brother-in-law Charlie. Precious nieces Madison and Riley (Huebner); treasured Aunt Jeanne and Uncle Russ (Mantz) along with his wonderful cousins Scott Ryan (Paula); Jeffrey Mantz (Alicia); Mark Mantz; Buster Graham (Brigid); Michael Graham; Sean Graham (Ashley) and other very loving family and friends. Most especially Michael Holetz, Mitch Palmer, and Bob Peck. Stephen's sudden death from a bleeding ulcer was a devastating blow to all of us. He was a treasured son, brother, and devoted father. Stephen spent hours adventuring with his two little boys; building forts in the woods, igloos in the snow, fishing, hiking, biking, and skiing. He shared his considerable knowledge and passion for nature and all living things. Not to be forgotten was the memory of his faithful companion and dog, Onyx. Stephen was a natural artist, avid photographer, and sports enthusiast. His time with Cabela's as a senior manager showcased his skills as a talented communicator and his eye for details. But most especially, we will miss his wonderful humor, intellect, and ever prevalent love for family and his beloved Minnesota. Memorial service Friday, June 17, 1:00 pm at Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church, 50th and Knox Ave. S., Minneapolis. Memorial Visitation Thursday, June 16, 5:00 - 8:00 pm at Washburn- McReavy Edina Chapel, West 50th Street at Hwy. 100. (952) 920-3996. Memorials may be directed to: "The Jack

and Samuel Olson Educational Fund" in care of the family.

Tribute Wall

BC

“ *Where did the year go? You have been thought of so many times and a quick smile along with those thoughts. You are forever in our hearts. Peace Butch and Jo Chayer*

~

Butch and Jo Chayer,

Savage, Minnesota

Contact Me

Butch and Jo Chayer - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Everytime I drive by Steve's family home as a child where he grew up, I think of him, being childhood friends, and then friends as we grew up throughout school, I still cannot believe he has departed this life..he was a special person, friend to many, wonderful, son and Dad..Steve you are missed. Jen

~

Jenny Layer(carlson),

Edina, Minnesota

Jenny Layer(carlson) - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ It's almost a year now, Peewee. I hope you have found dad and are loving your reunion. Tell him I love him and he is important, okay? I'm glad you are together, however, wish you both were here. We ALL miss you. Charlie, Maddy, Riley, and I talk of you often and love seeing videos of you and dad. You forever changed my life... You remain my hero... You are missed... You are loved.

~

Stacey Huebner,

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Contact Me

Stacey Huebner - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ It's hard to believe that Steve's been gone a year now. He was a cherished friend and I think about him frequently; his jokes, his guidance, his stories, his love for nature, and most importantly his love for his family and friends. Continued prayers for his family...and for Jack and Samuel to have amazing memories of their amazing father.

~

Lori Roelle,

Nebraska

Lori Roelle - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ My dearest son - Easter has arrived after the kindest of winters I can recall, as far as the weather is concerned. I do not think you would have thought it the least bit appropriate, however. All of the trees have filled out with their tender, young foliage due to the abundance of warm, sunny days since March began to unfold. It is but early April and we are already as fresh and green as can be. A good day for an Easter egg hunt. You will be happy to know the boys brought up all of the jelly bean hunts last weekend when they were here for the first time since you left this soil. I remind them of you often. You can be proud. You and I were on our way to the TWINS game about this time a year ago - another beautiful day in our beloved Minneapolis looking at the downtown skyline. I miss you immeasurably and think of you with every beat of my heart my beautiful child. There is nothing that does not bring you to mind.
Lovingly, Mom

~

Jacque Olson,

Edina, Minnesota

Contact Me

Jacque Olson - April 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ My beautiful child - the searing pain of summer has passed and turned to autumn; your favorite time of year. The leaves were especially breathtaking once they got busy - our own maple spilled out its avalanche of yellow; the last to go. By the way, someone has planted a tree for you "somewhere in Minnesota". I will tell them you know. Thanksgiving is fast arriving and I hope as well many of my words of gratefulness to the many who love and think about you; about the boys; about days shared on this floating globe of time. Have you seen Dad yet? I love you, my darlings. Mom

~

Jacque Olson,

Edina, Minnesota

Contact Me

Jacque Olson - November 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I just found out.. I'm stunned. he was going to teach me how to fly fish the next time he came out to Wyoming, and then we were gonna go have a sushi dinner together. I miss our facebook conversations. I'm so blessed to have worked with him at Cabelas, and to have reconnected with him on FB. Someday we will meet again, and go fishing in that big fishing hole in the sky. Missy M.

~

Missy Maenle,

Powell, Wyoming

Missy Maenle - September 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ steve's family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers. May God provide some peace during this difficult time.J.Lindsay

July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Our sympathies to you Jacque, Stacey, Charlie, and the rest of the Olson family. We can't imagine how shocked and saddened you are to lose Stephen so young. We only had the pleasure of meeting Stephen over the weekend of Stacey and Charlie's wedding, but I will never forget how irrepressibly proud he looked as Stacey walked down the aisle. We are praying for you to get through this tragic time together and to eventually remember him with more joy than sorrow. God bless you all.

~

Larry and Maria McCue,

Los Angeles, California

Larry and Maria McCue - June 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *Jacque, My deepest sympathy to you in this great loss of your beloved son. You are in my prayers.*

~

Diane Hallock,

Bloomington, Minnesota

Contact Me

Diane Hallock - June 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

OY

“ *My sympathies to you Jacque, Stacey and the rest of the Olson family. I am sadden and in shock after hearing the news. Steve was loved by many and touched a lot of hearts. May God shine his grace and peace on your hearts.*

~

Omar Yamoor,

Edina, Minnesota

Omar Yamoor - June 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ We were blessed to know Steve not long, but well. He was gentle and kind and full of a zeal for life which was evident in how he parented dear Jack and Samuel. We miss him dearly and will not forget his friendship. Our deepest sympathies to his friends and family.

~

Jon, Sara, Price and Bart Glover,

Edina, Minnesota

Jon, Sara, Price and Bart Glover - June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Jacque, Stacey, Charlie and family - My deepest sympathies for your sudden loss. He is definitely with his best friend and they are both looking over all of you. May the many great memories you share help you through this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.* *Jeri Jo Poshkoff*

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Jeri Jo Poshkoff,

Eden Prairie, Minnesota

Jeri Jo Poshkoff - June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *My wife and I both worked with Steve. He was very personable, professional and compassionate. I am sure he was a great family man. We are praying for Patty and the kids. Our deepest sympathies go out to the family. Derek and Megan Grimsrud*

~

Derek Grimsrud,

Des Moines, Iowa

Contact Me

Derek Grimsrud - June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *'PERHAPS THEY ARE NOT STARS BUT RATHER OPENINGS IN HEAVEN WHERE THE LOVE OF THOSE WE HAVE LOST SHINES DOWN UPON US TO LET US KNOW THEY ARE HAPPY'-Inspired by an Eskimo Legend*
Dear Olson Family, My deepest sympathies to all of you. Steve was genuine & kind and a true friend to my brother... You are in my thoughts & prayers... May you be filled with peace ... Warm Regards, Cathy (Holetz) Erdmann

[Contact Me](#)

June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Our prayers go out to Steve, his family and friends. The years we worked together will be cherished. I will be reminded of you whenever I return to Gourd Lake. You will be missed and never forgotten.

~

Scott & Mary Jo Robbins,

Owatonna, Minnesota

Scott & Mary Jo Robbins - June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

A(

“ I was a classmate of Steve's from K-12. My memories of him are of a kind spirit, a talent for art, and that sunny head of hair. I know this is a very painful time, and my prayers go out to his family and friends.

~

Anne Ubl (Berdahl),

Bethesda, Maryland

Contact Me

Anne Ubl (Berdahl) - June 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I have known Steve since the 7th grade. We shared the same passion for the outdoors and went on quite a few hunting and fishing trips. A great guy to have as a freind, I will remember him always. My deepest sympathy for steve's family. I will always remember the good times I spent with Steve.

~

mark petersen,

wabasha, Minnesota

mark petersen - June 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Jacque, Stacey & Families...I am at a loss for words(and you know that doesn't happen often!)I ache for all of you facing such a sad and sudden loss. I hope somehow the love and prayers of friends will give you strength to get through the days ahead.*

~

Deb(Brian& Dave) Stage,

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Deb(Brian& Dave) Stage - June 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Dear Olson family, my deepest sympathies goes out to you and your family. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

~

Laura Ryan,

Manitou Springs, Colorado

Laura Ryan - June 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Patty, Jack and Sam - We cannot imagine the heartache you feel and will feel in the days to come with the loss of Steve. Know that others are there to help along the struggles. Anne Foley and Dan Benz, Sean, Erin and Quinn

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SF

“ *Our deepest condolences, words can't describe our sorrow for your family. Steve's gentle manner and kindness will forever be the way we remember him. Our thoughts are with you all.*

~

Salamzadeh Family,

St. Louis Park, Minnesota

Salamzadeh Family - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to all of Steve's family and friends. Without Steve I would not be the fly fisherman that I am today... He was always willing to help me out and give me the right information.. He was a great friend to me... He will be missed but never forgotten...*

~

Dylan Brody,

Faribault, Minnesota

Dylan Brody - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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Dylan Brody,

Faribault, Minnesota

Dylan Brody - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Steve was a long time friend and co-worker of mine. We spent two years on the road, working together and he will be missed greatly. I hope the best for his family and sons. My heart goes out to them during this time of loss. I will miss him greatly. Rusty

~

Rusty Edwards,

Parkville, Missouri

Contact Me

Rusty Edwards - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Steve was my very 1st boss(Cabelas dundee, MI). He is still today the best one I have ever had. He was a great friend to everyone and a real joy to be around. He will surely be missed. My thoughts go out to his family.

~

Justin Clark,

Monroe, Michigan

Justin Clark - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ *My heart goes out to Patty, Jack and Samuel. Steve was a good person I enjoyed working with him at Cabelas. God bless*

~

Crystal Zimmerman,

Faribault, Minnesota

Crystal Zimmerman - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Olson family...somethings are so sudden that we are unable to find the right words to express our sorrow. One thing we all can agree upon is that Steve will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Gone too soon and leaving a trail of memories. Peace and Love, Butch and Joey Chayer

~

Butch and Joey Chayer,

Savage, Minnesota

Contact Me

Butch and Joey Chayer - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ You were and forever will be by hero. I love you and miss you more than words can express, Stephen. I take comfort in knowing you and dad are together once again and watching over us all. All my love...

~

Stacey Huebner,

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Contact Me

Stacey Huebner - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to Steve's family. May some peace and understanding come to his boys.

~

Joseph Hulbert,

Edina, Minnesota

Contact Me

Joseph Hulbert - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *My prayers go out to all the family members . Steve will be missed. We had a lot of good times in Dundee, Michigan. Phil Reynolds, former Cabelas co-worker, Charlotte, NC*

~

Phil Reynolds

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SD

“ Dearest Jacque and Stacey - my heart aches for you both and there are no words to ease your pain or loss of your wonderful son and brother. Jim has him in his arms and they will both watch over, you, Samuel and Jack. God bless all of Steve's family who loved him very much.

~

Sally Doyle,

Yuma, Arizona

Sally Doyle - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ *Jacque, Stacey and your beautiful family, There are no words to describe the utter grief that we are feeling right now, and we cannot possibly imagine the shock and sorrow that has been thrust on your family as well. It feels a little unfair that such a smart and talented young man's life has ended with so much living left to do. We have so many wonderful memories with Stephen – graduations, weddings, babies and birthday celebrations. Remember Stephen turning 30 on the eve of 2000? That was a grand celebration with Jim and Nana too. You are in our thoughts and prayers; all of us, but especially you, will miss him very much. Love you.....*

~

Lynda and Paul Oliver,

Tucson, Arizona

Lynda and Paul Oliver - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Steve, how can i even begin to express how blessed i have been to have had you in my life? You have been an amazing friend. You opened my eyes and helped me see the beauty in so many things. Thank you for always being there for me and allowing me to be there for you. You are the sun. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. They are very lucky to have an angel like you watching over them.

~

Lori Roelle

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SC

“ *Dearest Olsen Family, I have no words to express except that I know the pain and loss you are all feeling at this difficult time. I take comfort knowing that Stephen and Christopher have met up and are now watching over us all.*

~

Sandee Clingerman,

St. Louis Park, Minnesota

Contact Me

Sandee Clingerman - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Oh Steve where do I begin, the bus stop, the first day of school, the first time we met, "Hi my name is Steve" little did I know then we would be lifelong friends. The memories I have are too many to share, but the feelings of love and admiration for you as a friend are not.. Steve I will miss your smile your wit, your charm, your zest for life.. I sometimes wish we could go back just one more day when things were simple.. You were a wonderful friend, one I lost track of for a while, and now recently had the pleasure of reconnecting with. I would see your beautiful Mom and she would always talk about her Steve. May your spirit live on through your beautiful boys, I will forever miss you Steve.. every time I drive by your street I will think of you, all my love.. Jenny

~

Jenny Layer(Carlson),

Edina, Minnesota

Jenny Layer(Carlson) - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Words seem inadequate to express the sadness we feel about Stephen's death. We are here to support you in any way possible. With love and remembrance,

~

Shannon & Wade Schulz,

Northfield, Minnesota

Contact Me

Shannon & Wade Schulz - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ I had the privilege of working with Steve for 5 years at Cabela's in Dundee, Michigan. Steve is a great guy and a good person. The pleasure was mine...Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

~

Steve Dempsey,

Toledo, Ohio

Contact Me

Steve Dempsey - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“*Jacque, Stacey, Charlie -- I'm so sorry for your loss. I can't imagine how tough this is for you, Samuel & Jack, and the entire Olson family. May you find comfort in your beautiful memories of Steve and in all the love, thoughts and prayers being sent your way.*

~

Jeannine Hansen,

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Jeannine Hansen - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“*My thoughts and prayers are with you. all. Steve's smiling face and wonderful sense of humor are forever here Mitch's Mom*

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JE

“ We are so sad to learn of Steves passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. We are thankful for the great memories we have especially Johns of their years spent working together as well as many fishing and hunting trips. He will be missed.

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julie and john edstrom,

otsego, Minnesota

julie and john edstrom - June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We were deeply saddened to hear about Steve. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

~

Tom and Jennifer Seykora

June 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM