



## M. Stephen Lewis

April 28, 1976 - July 16, 2015

### Obituary of M. Lewis

M. Stephen Lewis II was born April 28, 1976, and was the fourth member to the Lewis family. Stephen was the first male grandchild on his mother's side of the family and he enjoyed that spotlight for many years until his cousin, Cameron, came along.

Stephen grew up on Blackwater Bay and had a love of all things water related, the creek, river, bay, sound and gulf were where he swam, skim boarded, wake boarded and surfed. He was an avid skateboarder and was instrumental in the completion of the "Milton Skate Park." He loved all things history related, appreciated and admired old cars and was an avid NPR listener. He had eclectic musical taste. He was as familiar with earlier generations of music as he was with his own.

Stephen was a 1994 graduate of Milton High School. He attained his AA degree at Pensacola Jr College before going onto St. Petersburg State College for his Mortuary Science Degree. Stephen was a compassionate fourth generation funeral director and was licensed in both Florida and Alabama. He worked most of his career with Lewis Funeral Home in Milton. He also served as a director with Radney Funeral Home in Mobile until recently moving to Leesburg, Florida, and becoming a director for Beyers

Funeral Home. He would tell his mom most every day how much he loved the area and the people he was working with.

Stephen professed Christ at an early age so we are assured of where he is, waiting for our little family to be reunited again.

Stephen was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Avis and Dot Lewis; his uncle, Rodney Griffis; and most recently by his maternal grandfather, "D.K." Griffis.

Stephen is survived by his parents, Mike and Kathie Lewis of Milton; his sister, Katrina Lewis of Milton; and his grandmother, Mary Katherine Griffis of Milton.

He also is survived by his aunts and uncles, Jackie (Tim) McCary of Milton, Christie (Roy) Worton of Warner Robins, Georgia, Lana (Bud) Allen of Bagdad, Janice (Don) Bowersox of Pensacola, Sam (Debby) Lewis of Pace, Cathy (Jim) Mathis of Bolingbroke, Georgia, and Mel (Anthony) Giustizia of Springhill, Florida.

A time to mourn his passing and share joys of his memory will be 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at the First Baptist Church of Milton with Dr. David Spencer officiating. Burial will follow at the Milton Cemetery with Lewis Funeral Home directing. His cousins will be serving as his pallbearers.

Visitation will be held Monday, July 20, 2015, at the First Baptist Church of Milton, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 8th, at 4:00 pm at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I just wanted to say how special Stephen was to me. I worked with him in Mobile, Al. at Radney Funeral Home, where I am the receptionist. Often he would come up front and sit with me and we'd laugh so much at what he would say. He was so funny! He would always talk about his family. He always said he was a moma's boy and his grandmother's boy also. He would tell me stories about his sister Katrina and how his father would fix her oatmeal every morning for breakfast with fresh fruit. And then there was stories of his 2 dogs. On funerals and with families, he was very compassionate, understanding, gentle and professional. I always enjoyed his company ~ I pray for comfort for his family and friends ~ Fondly, ReGina

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**ReGina Verneuille** - July 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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**Melanie Bowen** - July 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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**Melanie Bowen** - July 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Stephen Lewis was a genuine and sincere soul, exemplified kindness and a true friend to those who knew him. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.*

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**Francisco M. Lyon** - July 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *M. Stephen Lewis*

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July 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM