



Stephen D. Alford

October 16, 1960 - July 12, 2017

It is with great sadness that the family of Stephen Dale Alford, announces his passing from natural causes, on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at the age of 56 years. Steve will be lovingly remembered by his mother Leola "Lola" Sumners, his four children Marisa, Lindsey, Lacey, and Stephen and his two grandchildren, Bruce and Victoria. He will also be forever remembered by his sister Bonnie and a circle of extended family and close friends. Steve was predeceased by his wife Victoria Alford, his brother George H. Alford Jr., and his father George H. Alford Sr.

Steve was best known for raising funds to put on Sanford's July 4th fireworks show at Ft. Mellon park for a number of years. His one man mission kept the sky alive over Lake Monroe for Independence Day festivities despite the absence of city funding. For this and countless other charitable acts we will be forever grateful and he will be dearly missed.

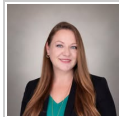
A celebration in memory of Steve's life will be held on Friday, July 28, 2017 at 11:00 a.m., at the Sanford Moose Lodge, 2660 South Palmetto Avenue. Sanford, FL 32773. Those who so desire may make memorial donations in memory of Steve to: Leola Sumners, 4275 Nolan Rd. Sanford, FL 32773.

Tribute Wall

RO

“ To my generation Steve was not just popular but kinda a celebrity. In the 70 and 80 musicians were respected and got all the girls.. because music was well ...the great est thing. We barely watched TV. We listened at home , in cars , on bikes..we gather to hear live music and those who were playing in the band.. well we thought it was all for us. But later it was just a good given talent...hard to explain but music meant something , words had meaning and learning any instrument meant hard work and dedication..and if you're a baby boomer you know life was simpler and there. Was a song about every part of ur life. I bet there a few songs dedicated in his memory. People who knew and loved probably have a long list of songs . I am sure his list will show he led a free, happy interesting life

Robbie - July 28, 2017 at 10:47 AM



This is a beautiful tribute to our father. Thank you for the kind words.

Lindsey Eamigh - July 07, 2018 at 08:52 AM

LB

“ Linda Bowling lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Linda Bowling - July 24, 2017 at 06:33 PM

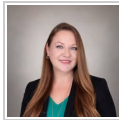
LB

“ You hardly ever met Steve that he didn't have a smile on his face! He's with his family and friends that have gone on before him. Rest In Peace, Steve.



Linda Bowling

Linda Bowling - July 24, 2017 at 06:17 PM



So true Linda thank you for sharing ♡

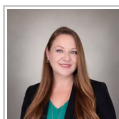
Lindsey Eamigh - July 07, 2018 at 08:52 AM



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Elizabeth Lawson - July 22, 2017 at 04:16 PM



Awww thank you do much for sharing these pictures Liz!

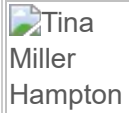
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Liz Lawson - July 22, 2017 at 04:13 PM



“ *Thoughts and Prayers for Steve's family. He was great Family friend. He will be greatly missed.*
The Hampton Family

Tina Miller Hampton - July 22, 2017 at 12:21 PM



“ *Tina Miller Hampton lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford*

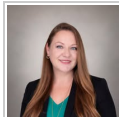


Tina Miller Hampton - July 22, 2017 at 12:12 PM



“ *My first meeting with Steve is when I was in a band called Slammer and we used to practice in my cousin Rodney's loft. Steve and Joey and Jimmy and Jimbo from Trapezoid used to come up in that sweaty loft and watch us. A couple weeks later we played a benefit concert for Karen Romines at Lake Golden in Sanford. Pat Pendleton and Sono were the headliner and we were second bill, young Trapezoid opened the show and they impressed the hell out of me for a bunch of 16-17 year old kids. Steve was a showman back then and thus began a long friendship. You'll be singing them Skynyrd songs with Ronnie Van Zant in Heaven now my brother, I'll miss ya.*

Dale Keeling - July 20, 2017 at 07:17 PM



Thanks Dale for sharing the memories of the good old days.

Lindsey Eamigh - July 07, 2018 at 08:56 AM

KR

“ Shall miss the biggest smile he always had when running the halls of the City...may you rest in peace, singing and dancing with all the loved ones before us until we shall meet again.....Butch & Kris Strine.



kris - July 19, 2017 at 09:30 PM



“ On their anniversary, he got down on his knee; spoke the most beautiful words to Vicky & proposed all over again. So sweet!

Kat Cowart - July 18, 2017 at 06:16 PM



“ My condolences to Steve's family and friends, I will always remember your smile. A great guy gone to soon 😭 RIP my friend.



Billie Lapp Goforth - July 18, 2017 at 01:09 PM



“ Melissa Steele Copenhaver lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Melissa Steele Copenhaver - July 17, 2017 at 09:22 PM

TW

“ Rest Easy my friend..... The last time I saw him , Steve sang at Mark Lee Hamptons memorial service ... And he sang well .. from his heart and soul❤️ That's how Steve was REAL.. nothing fake or self righteous.. If he loved you he loved you . I am sorry I didn't reach out to him more ❤️ God bless

Teresa Werner - July 17, 2017 at 08:57 PM

TW

“ Teresa Werner lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Teresa Werner - July 17, 2017 at 08:49 PM

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“ Teresa Bertrand Werner lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Teresa Bertrand Werner - July 17, 2017 at 08:46 PM

TF

“ The Lawson Family lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



The Lawson Family - July 17, 2017 at 06:46 PM

PR

“ Patricia Ryan lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Patricia Ryan - July 17, 2017 at 05:40 PM

PR

“ Steve, I will always remember the good times with you and Vickie at "high" school behind the college in the late 70's. We had some great times in the parking lot waiting for night school to begin and not matter had much fun we were having you always said "carry on to class we must go " rest in peace my old friend, you are now back together with your high school sweetheart Victoria

Patricia Ryan - July 17, 2017 at 05:38 PM

DM

“ I met Steve the first time when Tom and I was dating. We would go to his music rehearsals to listen to him sing. He had a great voice and he was just so full of life and happy all the time. Was a joy to be around. His wife Vicki was an awesome person as well and we enjoyed spending time with them both. We all kind of lost touch over the years but you were still in our thoughts and hearts. Stephen you and Vick both left this earth way to early. I send thoughts and prayers to your family and may you R.I.P. I know you are up in heaven with Vicki looking down on all of us. You will be missed but we have good memories.

Denise McFadden - July 17, 2017 at 03:24 PM

CB

“ FIRST AND FOREMOST MY HEART GOES OUT TO ALL OF STEVE'S CHILDREN AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN AS WELL AS HIS MOM AND WONDERFUL SISTER. THERE ARE SO MANY MEMORIES OF STEVE AND I AND THE KIDS, I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP TO MUCH SPACE . I JUST THANK GOD THAT I WAS THERE TO HELP HIM RAISE HIS CHILDREN AFTER HIS BEAUTIFUL LOVING WIFE VICTORIA PASSED. I LOVE YOU AND YOU ARE GOING TO BE MISSED BY SO MANY. R.I.P MY FRIEND



Crystal burns - July 17, 2017 at 01:58 PM

CW

“ I've known Steve an Family for many,many years..he was a loving friend,father,an husband.he loved hunting,singing,an smiling.he was a true gentleman an a ladies man.I have so many memories of him...singing a complete song on answering machine,,an 4th of July..being uncle same ...an so many more ..my heart is heavy for his family an my beloved friend Steve...

Connie walls - July 17, 2017 at 01:45 PM

CW

“ Connie Walls lit a candle in memory of Stephen D. Alford



Connie walls - July 17, 2017 at 01:40 PM



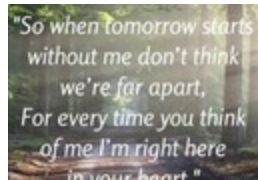
“ *Mariah, Lindsay, Lacy and Stephen and the rest of the Alford Family you are all in my thoughts and prayers , I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your father may he rest in peace he will be together once again with your mom Vicky*



Rose Georges - July 17, 2017 at 01:37 PM



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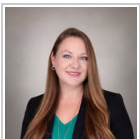


Lindsey Eamigh - July 17, 2017 at 01:24 PM



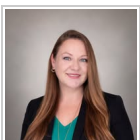
“ *George H. Alford was added to the Family Tree.*

Lindsey Eamigh - July 16, 2017 at 11:04 PM



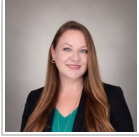
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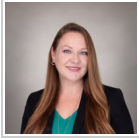
“ *Lacey Alford was added to the Family Tree.*

Lindsey Eamigh - July 16, 2017 at 11:03 PM



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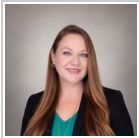
“ *Marisa Alford was added to the Family Tree.*

Lindsey Eamigh - July 16, 2017 at 11:01 PM



“ *Victoria Alford was added to the Family Tree.*

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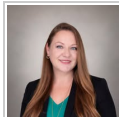


Lindsey Eamigh - July 16, 2017 at 10:54 PM

GC

I knew his father and brother and of coarse Steve and your mother. Enjoyed spending time with all of them. Prayers for your entire family may God ease your pain. Just know he impacted a lot of lives. He was a very positive person.

gwen crouse - July 17, 2017 at 01:57 PM



Thank you for the kind words Gwen.

Lindsey Eamigh - July 07, 2018 at 08:53 AM

BA

“ The first memory I have of Steve was when he came into my office at the Rich Food Plan and exclaimed, "we are going to save the Sanford Fire Works this year....!!" And that is how the Sanford-Seminole Jaycees were reborn for a good 5 year run...that's how it always was with Steve, nothing was insurmountable to him. He was a true southern gentleman and didn't have a bad bone in his body. He only wanted to do good, to his wife, his kids and his community. After the tragic loss of his wife, his kids mother, I noticed a change, and he blamed himself, probably until the day he died for Victoria's untimely demise...I lost track of Steve after that tragic accident, probably when he needed me and friends like me the most....I am sorry for loss, Steve and sorry you left this earth earlier than you needed to...Rest in Peace...

Brent Adamson - July 15, 2017 at 11:47 AM

PS

“ I was fortunate enough to know Steve from a very young age. Grew up behind his dad's place on Orange listening to him and the boys rocking out in the garage. Have to say he was the biggest influence on me liking Southern Rock and line music to this day. My first ride on a dirt bike down that ol'alley.. Maybe that's part of my need for speed since then too! He's been there for many of us during the best times of our life or to lend an ear and words of wisdom as seen thru the eyes of Steve Afford during or darkest hours. Didn't matter when or where if you needed him.. He was there. Steve you may be gone but you'll never be forgotten. Play on Brother

Paul Stricklin - July 14, 2017 at 03:59 PM

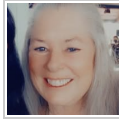


Terrence
Crouse

“ *Terrence Crouse lit a candle in memory of
Stephen D. Alford*



Terrence Crouse - July 14, 2017 at 09:40 AM



Steve is a childhood friend. I will always remember his smile, voice, his charitable ways and of course how much he loved his family. Rest well my friend. Dance in heaven with Vicky.

Debra R. Foster-Edge

Debra Edge - July 20, 2017 at 03:20 PM