



Stephen W. Harper, Sr.

December 19, 1951 - July 14, 2018

Stephen William Harper, Sr., 66, passed away July 14, 2018 at Evanston Hospital. He was born to William and Patricia (Lund) Harper, on December 19, 1951 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Stephen grew up in Deerfield and was a 1970 graduate of Deerfield High School. He attended the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, University of Illinois, and National Louis University, before settling down to start his family. He was a Libertyville resident for 30 years and was proud to serve on the Libertyville Little League board while coaching his sons. Stephen adored returning to those very same fields to watch his eldest son and grandson coach/play. He loved watching the Chicago Cubs, listening to his favorite music, tending to his garden, researching model trains and visiting the local sports memorabilia shop to find treasures for his grandchildren. Stephen's work ethic was admirable, as he was a 30-year employee of Houghton Mifflin Corporation and later enjoyed retirement working as a security guard for Ross

Stores and Great America. Stephen's stubborn wit and humor, his unmistakable smirk and his genuine personality, will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Stephen leaves behind his three children, Stephen, Jr. (Julie) Harper, Matthew Harper and Dana

(Rich) Harper; five grandchildren, Nicolas, Lucy, Michael, Zachary and A.J; siblings John (Lora)

Harper, Christine Harper and James (Jill) Harper; former wife, Janet Harper.

He was preceded in

death by his parents, William and Patricia Harper.

Visitation will be from 4:00- 8:00pm Monday, July 23, 2018 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. There will be a prayer service at 7:00 p.m., during the visitation. In lieu of flowers, donations to Libertyville Little League (PO Box 456, Libertyville, IL 60048) in Stephen's name would be appreciated. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at www.burnettdane.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home
120 West Park Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048
(847) 362-3009

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I have many wonderful memories of Steve and the entire Harper family. Lots of good times on the patio watching our kids grow and sharing laughs. He will be missed.

Graham Burns - July 25, 2018 at 03:18 PM

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“ Dear Jan and family, We haven't seen each other for a very long time but we have very fond memories of our times together. We are so sorry for your loss. Our deepest condolences to you and your family. Fondly, Bill and Mary Jane Stewart

Mary Jane Stewart - July 21, 2018 at 02:37 PM



Thank you Mary Jane . A very hard time .

Janet Harper - July 25, 2018 at 07:03 AM

JG

“ Praying for peace and comfort during this tough time Harper Family!
Jill Tydell Green

Jill Tydell Green - July 20, 2018 at 08:16 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen W. Harper, Sr..



July 20, 2018 at 06:21 PM

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“ *Werenczuk family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Stephen W. Harper, Sr..*



Werenczuk family - July 19, 2018 at 05:06 PM