



Stephen D. Lukas

June 2, 1965 - February 26, 2012

Stephen D. Lukas, 46, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 26, 2012, at the Pepper Family Hospice Care Center in Barrington. Steve demonstrated amazing strength and courage, continuing to amaze those closest to him through his last moments with us here on earth. His infectious laugh and ready smile will be missed by many. Steve was born June 2, 1965, in Milwaukee, Wis., and lived in Libertyville since 1991. He was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He was a member of St. Joseph Parish in Libertyville, was a former employee of Abbott Laboratories and was most recently the manager of regulatory compliance for Hospira, Inc. Steve greatly enjoyed his work and was a dedicated employee. Steve was a loving son, devoted brother, loyal husband, wonderful father and faithful friend. He was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and passed that love on to his daughters. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, golfing with his wife and buddies, hunting with his brothers, fishing with his daughters and camping with his family. Steve especially treasured the time he spent traveling with his wife and daughters. Survivors include his dearly loved wife of 20 years, Kris (nee Fleming) Lukas and their three precious daughters, Andrea, Rachel and Stephanie, all of Libertyville; his parents, Stanley and Suzanne Lukas of Antigo, Wis; and three brothers, Scott (Diane) Lukas of Janesville, Wis., Mike (Nicki) Lukas of Almond, Wis. and Mark (Jennifer) Lukas of Hudson, Wis. Visitation will take place from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 1, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Ltd., 120 W. Park Ave. (Route 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.),

Libertyville. A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Church. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to the family for an education fund being established for his children or to Hospice and Palliative Care of Northeastern Illinois. For information, please call 847-362-3009 or to sign the guest book please visit www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

VW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Steve was a great guy and my years of working with him at Abbott were my most enjoy ones. He will be missed. Take comfort in your memories of Steve and know that he is at peace.

Victoria & Don Wilson - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

JK

“ Steve was a wonderfully engaging person. I had the pleasure of sharing lunch with him sometimes when I was visiting our Hospira Lake Forest Offices. He always went out of his way to chat with me. The picture posted on this webpage captures the smile and pleasant demeanor that I fondly remember Steve possessing. Please accept my deepest sympathy. John Kelton

John Kelton - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

JR

“ Kris and Family, My thoughts and prayers go out to you during this difficult time. Steve was a wonderful person to work with at Abbott. He will be missed!

Jill Runyen - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

TF

“ What a wonderful man Steve was. He was always such a friendly face and person to work with. He was a true gem.

*May God help you throug this difficult time.
Sincerely, Tony Fawl*

Tony Fawl - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

BE

“ I shared many enjoyable conversations with Steve through our years together at Abbott / Hospira. When we weren't talking about our Packers, we would discuss our mutual love for the north woods of Wisconsin. I spend a lot of time in the Antigo area and Steve always knew where every lake and hiking trail was. I will always remember Steve's amicable, outgoing attitude. Even while fighting his illness, Steve remained positive and upbeat. We have lost a truly outstanding individual. My deepest sympathies go out to Kris, Andrea, Rachel, and Stephanie.
Bob Ewald

Bob Ewald - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

JW

“ Steve went to Madison with my older brother John and we shared a number of great times while on visits before and after college. I also attended Steven's Point with Steve's younger brother Scott. What I will always remember about Steve is his fun loving attitude and that he was always smiling. My deepest sympathies to his wife and family. You are in my prayers.

Joe Walbrun - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

CA

“ I met Steve through the Controlled Substance Midwest Discussion Group. Steve always had a smile, incredible wit, and dedication to his work. He was incredibly intelligent and knew his business well. I always looked forward to the next meeting to see him again. He always spoke of his family and kids, and truly enjoyed his life. We were devastated when we first heard of his illness, and always hoped he would overcome it. Unfortunately, God had different plans for Steve, and called him home WAY too early for all those he's left behind. He will not be forgotten. He will be severely missed. My heartfelt prayers and sympathies to his family, particularly his wife and children.

Charlene Aiduks - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

LU

“ Kris - you and your daughters are in my prayers. He was such a good guy and I will never forget the night you two met... doesn't seem that long ago. May your memories bring you comfort and peace. -Lucy

Lucy - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

TK

“ I'm called the candy lady at work and Steve enjoy his sweets and I made sure the candy container had what he enjoyed. He was always smiling and happy no matter how bad he felt. He always spoke about his family and great vacations with them. He will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers are with the family in this time of sorrow. Terry Kopier

Terry Kopier - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

BD

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We will never forget Steve and his wonderful smile - we are blessed that we were fortunate enough to know him and have him in our lives.

Brenda, Brett & Dillon - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

CC

“ My sincere sympathy to the family. Steve was a great guy! A pleasure to be around and to work with - so professional and fun. He'll be remembered and missed more than you know by his colleagues. Most sincerely, Cynthia

Cynthia Culmo - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

TL

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your girls. Steve was a wonderful person and a true pleasure to work with.

Teresa Lacy - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

KG

“ Kris and Family, you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time and have my deepest condolences. I will remember Steve for his kindness, graciousness, perceptiveness and most of all his wonderful sense of humor. He will be missed by many.

Kori Glave - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

LR

*“ Kris, We are so sorry to hear of Steve's passing. Please know that you and the girls are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless.
Rocky, Lori, Nick, Lucas, and Grace Rossetti*

Lori Rossetti - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

MM

“ I was a COS at Sam's Club in Gurnee. Steve worked under me as a Cashier and later as a People Greeter. Steve was a wonderful human being. He was very friendly and had a great sense of humor. I remember him coming by tapping me on the shoulder and we would kid each other. When Fabio visited the club hocking his new coat line for women Steve and I would tease each other, each claiming the other was a sex symbol. I'd call him Stevio and he'd call me Mikio. I'll miss his warm smile and his humor. Rest in Peace Stevio.

Michael W. Mayfield - June 29, 2018 at 03:04 PM

MT

“ Kris and girls,

Steve was a wonderful person, always smiling and happy and oh sooo very proud of his girls. We have had the pleasure of knowing Steve ever since he was Jim Tatro's buddy and what a honor it was. What a gift we were all given having known Steve. What a great example he has been for all who knew him as our lives are so much richer for that. He will never be forgotten, always missed. You are all in our prayers, we are so deeply sorry for your loss.

Mike and Pat Tatro - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

JA

“ I met Steve through my work with the government. I first met Steve last year while at Hospira on business. Instantly after meeting him I found a true friend who was a kind and gentle soul. He spoke very lovingly of his wife and three daughters. We exchanged stories of our families and life experiences. I wish I could had known him longer but just knowing him for a little while is something I will cherish. Your family is in my prayers. Take care and may God give you strength and comfort at this time. God bless all of you.

James Arana - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

DB

“ Went to high school with Steve. The first thing that came to my mind when I read his name was his smile, it was always there! My condolences to the entire family. God bless

Deb Incha Brushert - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

JR

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of my moments with Steve. As stated, he always seemed to be happy, smiling and laughing. His friendship was/is a gift to me that I will forever treasure. I will miss you Steve. I am sorry that I was unable to appreciate you more fully than I have. I extend all my love, peace and blessings to your family.

John Rogers - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

P(

“ I was touched recently having the insight to call on Stan & Sue just to touch base with them after so very many years. I grew up as a little girl being their neighbor in Milwaukee. Steve & I played together and as I told Sue I always said I would marry a guy named Steve. (Funny thing is I did). I was so sad to hear that Steve was battling for his life. Please take consolation that someone that is virtually a stranger in your lives still recalls the fun times as a child. I too have lost close loved one's(my only brother and my oldest son)- so I do understand your enormous loss. Prayers for continued strength and the support of those around you.

Sincerely,

Pam VerBruggen (Mucha)

Pam VerBruggen (Mucha) - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

J(

“ I went to high school with Steve; we were good friends throughout high school and our early years of college, and I will always remember his happy demeanor, uplifting personality, and ready smile. I don't remember him ever being in a bad mood. My heart goes out to all of you for your tremendous loss; you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Julie Dodd (Portman) - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

CH

“ Steve's smile was always infectious. He will be greatly missed. My sincere sympathy to his family for their loss.

Cindy (Frisch) Habert - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

JR

“ I'm so sorry to hear of your loss! When I read the obituary, that described Steve's laugh - it brought back some great memories of how funny and happy he was when I worked with him so many years ago! May he rest in peace!

Julie Rogers - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

MV

“ All of Steve's co-workers and friends here at Abbott were so saddened by his passing. I remember when Steve's first daughter was born. He came to work with an even bigger smile than usual and handed out "Heresheis" chocolate bars to celebrate. He was simply a great person to work with and have as a friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mark Varney - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM

MD

“ Hi Kris & Girls, So sorry to hear about Steve's passing. At St. John's Grade School and High School he was a great guy, with a warm, kind smile. We are thinking of you.

Mo McKenna DeVito - April 27, 2018 at 07:08 AM