



Stephen Phillip Norman

January 26, 1962 - November 28, 2021

Stephen Phillip Norman – a teacher to hundreds, a mentor to many, and a friend to all, passed away on November 28, 2021 in Farmington Hills, Michigan, surrounded by his loving and devoted wife and children. He was 59. Born in Kalamazoo, Michigan January 26, 1962 to Phil and Ruth Norman. He is preceded in death by his father, Phil (Donna) Norman. He is survived by his mother, Ruth and siblings Tim (Catherine) Norman and Beth (Don) Kobeck. Educated at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan earning a Bachelor of Business Administration, he received his Master of Divinity from Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan and Steve was ordained as a Minister in 1995. His memory will be cherished and kept alive by his adoring wife Nadine and their children Amanda and Joshua. Steve was a devoted and faithful husband, father, son and son-in-law. Although ministry was important to Steve, he always kept his relationship with God, his marriage, and family first. Steve grew up in the church. When he was 21, he gave his life to the Lord and shortly after that, while serving as Director of Acts of Apostles, received his call from God to enter full time work in youth ministry. It was during his time in seminary that God refocused and broadened his scope of ministry to that of congregational pastor while always ministering in some capacity with youth. Steve loved ministry, loved sharing the gospel through preaching and teaching the Word, and related well to people of all ages. He was a roll-up-your-sleeves type of pastor, walking and working alongside those whom he served. He was never afraid to get his hands dirty and lived

his life as a model of Christ, patterned after Jesus' model to us. Those in the congregations he served said he had a special gift of being able to communicate the gospel in a relatable and practical way that spurred them on to grow deeper in their walk with the Lord. Throughout his time serving as pastor of various churches, he always had a special place in his heart for ministering to the next generation of youth and constantly sought new ways to reach them with the news that Jesus loves them and has an incredible plan and purpose for their lives. Steve has served in ministry at Rose Park Reformed Church, Holland Michigan, Fellowship Reformed Church, Muskegon, Michigan, Fellowship Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan, Associate Pastor, Forest Grove Reformed Church, Hudsonville, Michigan, Pastor, Church of the Redeemer, Royal Oak, Michigan, Interim Co-Pastor, Crosswinds Community Church, Canton, Michigan and Church Planter and Pastor, Crossroads Church, Livonia, Michigan. Steve was a teacher at COVE Homeschooling Association for three years and was the board president of H.E.M.A Band, 6 years (Homeschool Educators Music Association). Most recently he was the chaplain and a board member for Trail Life USA Troop 711, actor and marketing team member with Pocket Parables Production Company, and assistant to Thurlow Spurr as well as a drama instructor at Concert Ministries, Inc. Steve truly fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith! (2 Timothy 4:7) No truer words will ever be spoken about Steve. Steve's legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of everyone he interacted with as well as those he reached but never met. He was a man who loved God, his family, and lived like Jesus in all that he did. A Celebration of Life Service to remember Steve will be held on Saturday, January 15 at Crossroads Church, which meets at His Church Anglican, 34500 W Six Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152. Visitation will take place from 10:00 AM until the 12 PM Service. In lieu of flowers, a GoFundMe fund has been set up for the family at <https://gofund.me/4bea2d36>. Arrangements entrusted with Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, Westland. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

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“ *Stephen Phillip Norman*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Steve Norman had such a huge impact on my youth through his work with Acts of Apostles at Ward. The world is a better place because he was in it. How much do I love Steve? Seventy times seven...*

Trey Many - January 14, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Tim Endlein - January 14, 2022 at 12:06 PM



“ *Many fond memories of going to Tiger, Mud Hen, and Whaler games with Steve and our boys. Going to the Hockey Hall of Fame with the boys and then an unplanned visit to Niagara Falls when we got done at the Hall earlier than expected. Going to see the Ernie Harwell play with our wives. Lot of fun memories with our families.*

Tim Endlein - January 14, 2022 at 11:59 AM

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“ One of my memories, is when he came up to Port Huron ,Mi with acts of the apostles.

Marc McKeviz - January 11, 2022 at 07:35 AM

CY

“ When I think of memories of Steve, most are of him being an involved dad: being a part of Amanda and Josh's graduations, being at Josh's softball games, doing CMI with them. When they had something going on, he was there if he could be!

Carrie Young - January 09, 2022 at 01:25 PM

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“ I appreciate Pastor Steve continuincontinuing with Faith11 until he could no longer do so. It gave my teens an opportunity to connect with other youth while gatherings were discouraged and limited. As sick as he was he continued. His courage and determination to press on impressed me. I will ever be grateful for what he did for my kids and his leading of their AHG and Trail Life troops. He will be missed, but his legacy will go on in my mind and heart.

Mrs. Ayana Ligon and family

Ayana Ligon - January 06, 2022 at 09:17 AM

CJ

“ Although I never met Pastor Steve in person he sure spoke directly to me in his message on Sunday morning service. He has a very special gift of teaching Gods word that we could all relate to. I am so grateful that through some very hard times God led me to his service virtually. May you Rest In Peace Pastor Steve. God Bless his family.
Cindy Jeffery



Cindy Jeffery - December 30, 2021 at 07:53 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen Phillip Norman.



December 28, 2021 at 12:58 PM

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“ A wonderful kind man.

sharon sigler - December 28, 2021 at 12:54 PM