



Steven Ward

March 30, 1959 - April 14, 2013

Waldron native Steven Maurice Ward, age 54 years and two weeks, died Sunday night at his family's homeplace in Waldron after a four-month battle with cancer. He was attended by his brothers and his mother at the time of his death. Steve was born in Houston, Texas, on March 30, 1959. He most recently lived in the Ferndale community near Little Rock. He was a 1981 graduate of Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, with a minor in History. He was a member of the Rho Sigma men's social club. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Marion Ward of Waldron; his brother Mark Ward and sister-in-law Karen, also of Waldron; his brother Philip Ward and sister-in-law Cheryl of Fayetteville, his grandmother, Mrs. Lorene May of Waldron, four nephews and two nieces. Steve was preceded in death by his father, Johnie Ward of Waldron, in May 2012. Steve's life celebration will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 19, 2013 at the First Baptist Church in Waldron, Arkansas. Arrangements and cremation are being entrusted to the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home & Crematory in Waldron, Arkansas. The family has asked that, in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to the UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute in Little Rock, Gideon International, or to your local church.

Tribute Wall

WF

“ Steve was one of the first people I met at OBU in 1977. We lived beside each other on the first floor then lived beside each other for 3 additional years on the third floor. We both pledged Red Shirt in 1978, majored in Political Science and minored in History. Later we lived together in LR for a year. He was a great friend and I always enjoyed having a good laugh with about some of our Rho Sigma antics. His service was wonderful and a great tribute to him. He will be greatly missed by me and his Red Shirt buddies.

Wayne Fawcett - May 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Steve was a very special young man, he blessed the lives of a lot of people. We can only pray that God will bless & comfort Steve's family as only HE can do. Hershal & Atha Sims

Hershal & Atha Sims - May 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with your family

Jonette (Ray) Duke - April 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. Lean into the loving arms of the Heavenly Father and know that He cares for us all.
Nancy

Nancy K. Ward - April 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I'm very saddened to hear of Steve's passing! We were redshirt brothers as well as roommates for 2 years. We also roomed together one summer in Houston when he graduated. I always called him Ward. He was a great friend and we had some good times together. He'll be missed!
Carl Bradley

Carl Bradley - April 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Praying for God to comfort you at this sad time. Love & Prayers,
Cathy

Cathy (Wagner) Sandifer - April 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Our deepest sympathies are with you.

Jason and Cindy Mitchell - April 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ So sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Betty Philpot - April 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ My deepest sympathy Marion to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

lindagoodner - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ So sad to hear of Steve's passing. May God give you peace during this difficult time.

Darla West - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ *Heaven just gained a great harmonica player!*

So long brother, we'll be seeing you later.

Marty Nelson - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *I'm going to miss my good friend.*

John S French - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Marion Marie, Lorene and family. May you find some comfort in knowing so many have you in their prayers today.*

Jonnie S. Harris - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are sent to Steven's Family and Friends at this difficult time.*

Gerald & Joni Essman - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Mark, Karen and all the family, We were very saddened to hear of Steve's passing. Steve was very interesting and we always enjoyed talking with him. May the Lord's peace and strength surround you.*

Jim and Floye Laird - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ I hated to hear that Steve passed away. I have many GREAT memories of Steve while we attended OBU. I was proud to call Steve my Rho Sigma brother. Many wonderful stories. My prayers go out to his mom and family. Rest in Peace my friend.

Mike Townsend - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Jim and Lou Ann Brewer

Jim and Lou Ann Brewer - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ It is with great sorrow to learn of Steve's passing. I have many memories of our times in school and he will be missed by all of those he touched. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time.

Rob & Cathy Liles

Rob Liles - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ so sorry to hear of the passing. he is in my wonderful memories of my teaching and coaching at Waldron. may god bless you all.

gaile and bruce hainley - April 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I am so sorry for your loss of Steve. He was such a good person and will be missed by all that knew him. We were classmates and graduated from Waldron in the class of "77". Steve's passing is a great loss for our "77" class. My thoughts and prayers will be with you. May God Bless each of you.

Debra (Stuart) Hefner - April 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Marion, Mark, and family you are in my prayers and thoughts.

Mary Moody-Pendergraft - April 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Mark and family we are sorry to hear of Steve's passing, please know our Thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Larry & Deloras Horn - April 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Steve was a wonderful, kind man and will be missed by all who knew him. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Amber Moody Bartlett - April 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Marion, Mark, Phillip and families, we are so sorry for your loss. May your memories give you comfort, and the knowledge that he and Johnnie are together again give you peace. We will be keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Neal and Paula Sparks - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ So sorry for your loss. Although Steve and I have not been in touch for almost thirty years, I remember him fondly. He was a great guy who helped this student from Hawaii make the transition to living in Arkansas. I'm honored to have been a fellow Red Shirt with him. God bless you brother.

Paul Au - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Dear Marion and Mrs.Lorene, so saddened to hear of your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you in the days to come.

With Love,
Paulette

Paulette Rhyne Goble - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ God Bless you with comfort & strength at this time is our prayer to the Ward Family.

Jerry & Judy Montgomery - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Will miss his wonderful smile. My deepest sympathy to his family.

Susan Staggs - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ We will forever love & miss you our good friend!!!

Laura Aymond & Alan Sniegocki - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *Steve will be missed by all who knew him.*

Sandy Lee - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *So sorry to hear about the loss of Steve. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*

Cheryl & Whitney - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *We met Steve in 2007. What a great man. Always happy and laughing. We will miss him very much. Keeping you and your family in our prayers.*

Karen and Lance Hatcher - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *Steve was a wonderful, caring person and he will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege to know him. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Laura Baldwin - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ *We are sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Lisa Pace and Worman and Sharon Owens - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Terri Churchill - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Sorry for your loss and we'll say a prayer for you guys.*

Ricky May - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ *So Sorry to hear about Steve. Will keep your family in our prayers.*

Thomas Akin - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *The Rho Sigma men's social club has lost one of its own. Our thoughts and prayers are with Steve's family, who should know how much he meant to everyone who knew him at OBU, especially his brother Red Shirts. We celebrate his life, commemorate his accomplishments and remain forever friends.*

Tim Taylor - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you and comfort you.*
Everett Forrest

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LF

“ *Mrs. May and family I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you and comfort you.*
Leeann Forrest

Leeann Forrest - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.*

Carol McDaniel Wagner - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Marion and boys, my heart goes out to you . Steve was a great guy, and will be missed!
My thoughts and prayers are with your family!

Teresa Houston Culpepper - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ My thoughts and prays are with your family.

Rhonda James - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during your sorrow. My heart is very heavy, but I know that the Lord will be with you and comfort you. I have lots of good memories about Steve when we were in school. He was a joy to know. Love you all.

Karen Simpkins Gordon - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Steve was a wonder friend and fellow Red Shirt buddy. Although we did not stay close, I am sadden by his death. Peace and Blessing to Steve's mother and family.

Jimmy Franklin

Jimmy Franklin - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Our prayers are with all of you. May the Lord embrace you with his love and healing powers as time goes on.

Mary Stinson - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ My condolences to Steves family.Its very hard to watch a loved one pass on before your very eyes,just remember our loss is Heavens gain.You all are in my thoughts & prayers,may peace be with you.God Bless You & Yours.

Doris Barker-Oliver - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ It is with great sadness to learn of Steve's passing. We were classmates all through school and graduated in 1977. My family and I will be praying that God will give you peace in this difficult time. Phillip,Tammye and Caleb Sherrill

Phillip Sherrill - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Our sympathies are with you.

Kim and Tim Defoor - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

"P

“ Marion & family, Sad to hear about Steve, it has been a delight to get to know him and we had some interesting conversions (at Mrs. May's lunch buffet):) ...Steve was a good friend, I'll miss him..my thoughts & prayers are with you & your family.

"Jeto" Piles - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

OL

“ Marion Marie, Lorene and the rest of Steven's family - I hope it helps for you to know that your friends are thinking of you and sharing your grief at this time. Love you, Oleta

Oleta Goodner Lewis - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *I am so sorry! May God's Peace surround you all.*

Lois Gray Wade - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Roger & Jana Holcomb - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *I have so many memories of Steve over the past years...lots of fun times! He was a good friend to me and always had a hug to give. My prayers are with all of you. Love and miss you Steve.....*

Darla Dozier - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ *Mark and family we are so sorry to hear of your brother's passing just know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Bill and Carolyn Needham - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *We're so very sorry for your loss and the difficult time this year has been for all of you. You're in our thoughts and prayers.*

Dave & Patti Roets & Family - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM