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Steven Ray Bishop, 57, of Broken Arrow, went to be with the Lord on March 16, 2013 surrounded by his loving family. Visitation will be held at Floral Haven Memorial Gardens on March 20, 2013 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. His celebration of life service will be held at Church On The Move, in the Oneighty Building, on March 21, 2013 at 10:00 am. Pastor Darian Thomas of Church On The Move will be officiating. Burial will follow at Floral Haven Memorial Gardens at 1:30 pm. Steve was born in Dallas, Texas to Harold and Dimple Bishop on October 18, 1955. He went to high school at South Garland and graduated in 1974. He went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University and a master's degree from The University of North Texas. He worked as a Director of Marketing and Business Development at Vacuworx Global. He also worked at Hilti as Director of Strategic Business for 30 years. He was involved at Church On The Move and was a proud member of the Saturday night usher team. Steve met his wife of 32 years, Cindy, at Taco Bell in Lubbock, Texas and the rest is history. They were married on May 31, 1980. They loved each other and were a great team. They liked to work in the yard and fix up their home. Whatever they did together, they did it well. Steve would be the first to say that he had good taste. He was a great dancer and a really good singer! He was very organized and he was a sweeping and vacuuming fool! Cindy is going to have to learn how to use a broom or hire out. Steve loved to watch his daughters, 'Mano' and 'Squirt', play soccer. He could whistle so loud and they knew exactly what his tone meant: Pick it up! Shake it off! Great job! That was awesome! Quit messing with your shoes! He was fiercely protective of his daughters and he loved them unconditionally. He taught them how to be fair, kind, hard working, and loyal. He stood up for them but always let them know when they needed to work on something. He loved his soccer family and was always full of praise and encouragement for all of his soccer girls. Steve loved and honored his parents,



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Harold and Dimple Bishop. His dad said that he would give Steve advice and Steve would take it and do it better than he could do himself. Steve adored his mother, 'Little Eller', and his sister, 'Glo Ball'. He would do anything for his family and there were no limits to his love for them. Steve always loved to be with people and he loved to laugh. He made many, many friends throughout his life and everyone described him as their 'best buddy'. He had an infectious laugh and he was always ready to have a good time. He loved his family and friends and he was incredibly loyal to them. One of his best character traits was that he was always looking for the good in people; he never gave up on someone. He gave everyone a nickname and they always seemed to stick, 'Puppy', 'Mano', 'Squirty', 'Ironhead', 'Lumpy', 'Big Jock', 'Little Eller', 'Glo Ball', 'Lay Lay', 'Upchuck', 'Paco'... the list goes on and on. Be sure to remind us what they were. He loved animals, especially his sweet Tucker and Beezy who were always at his side. They stayed with him to the end. It was always a happy reunion every time they saw each other. Steve was a hard worker. He enjoyed hunting, all kinds of music, and anything outdoors. He loved to work out and hike Turkey Mountain. Simply put, he loved to love and he loved life. Steve is survived by his wife, Cindy Bishop of Broken Arrow; his two daughters Amanda Bishop of Oklahoma City and Kelsey Bishop of Tulsa; his parents, Harold and Dimple Bishop of Garland, Texas; his sister, Gloria McCormick of Garland, Texas; and numerous other extended family members and loved ones whose lives he has greatly impacted. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Church On The Move, 1003 N. 129th E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74116. Condolences may be left in Steve's online guestbook at Floralhaven.com The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Church On The Move, Pastor Darian Thomas, Floral Haven, Dr. Scott Cole and his excellent staff, Tyler Townsend, Lauren McKinney, and the countless family members and friends who have provided love and support. In closing, Steve's last request would be for us all to follow the advice of 1 John: 4:7, 'Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God'.



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SP

Steve Price posted:

This man genuinely loved His wife. I never saw him have anything but a smile on his face. He one one heck of a father, husband and friend and he will truly be missed. Love you Steve and see you up above but till then..... Steve Price

September 12 at 6:40 AM

CB

Cindy Bishop posted:

Thank you so much for the pretty flowers in honor of Steve. Your kindness has truly lifted our hearts. Cindy, Amanda & Kelsey Bishop

April 10 at 11:22 AM

CB

Cindy Bishop posted:

Thank you so much for the pretty flowers in honor of Steve. I'm sorry I don't have your address to mail you a thank you. Your kindness is very much appreciated. Cindy, Amanda & Kelsey Bishop

April 10 at 11:20 AM

RO

Roy posted:

Remember that huge smile well. I went to high school with Steve. He was a class act. Always friendly. Never put on airs to anyone. Prayers for your family going up.

March 23 at 10:25 AM

LA

Lauren posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Steven Ray Bishop

March 21 at 2:34 PM

HO

Heather Otto posted:

Keeping the Bishop family in my thoughts & prayers.

March 21 at 2:31 PM



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DO

Doug Otto posted:

The Otto family has made a donation to the Church On the Move in Tulsa, OK in Steve's memory.

March 21 at 10:35 AM

KS

Karen Cota Shaw posted:

What wonderful memories I have of Steve! Many great times spent at Tech, then at the reunions and get-togethers. I can still see the "Four Cases" dancing to the songs of the Temptations at the Herring's farm. And a good friend – who else would help put roof rafters on a two story log house in the middle of nowhere? All that knew Steve will miss him. Karen Cota Shaw

March 21 at 3:32 AM

SW

Steve Williams posted:

I met Steve at the gym. He always had a toothpick in his mouth while working out. Shocked to read this in the paper this morning. Steve always had a smile and took the time to greet you at the gym. Since he moved to Texas we've been out of touch since the gym was the only time I ever talked to him. My sincerest sorrow goes out to his family and friends. God bless you all. Steve Williams

March 20 at 7:52 PM

DL

Donna David Loyd posted:

No matter how long it had been since we thought of Steve, just remembering him always brought a smile. Reading this brief reflection of his life, it is evident that the same Spirit that drew all to him during his early school years is the same Spirit with which he lived his entire life. The Love of God and the fellowship of Christ Jesus now encompasses you — until we meet again, brother. In loving remembrance, Donna & David Loyd

March 20 at 2:52 PM

EM

Ed Bettye McCrary posted:

We are so sorry to learn of Steve's passing. We thought so much of him growing up. He was a good friend of Bruce and a fine young man. We send our love and condolences to the family. Ed & Bettye McCrary

March 20 at 9:10 AM



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BK

Barbara Krishan posted:

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the bishop family. Much fond memories of Steve. Our prayers go out to his family.

March 20 at 4:13 AM

KC

Keith Causey posted:

It does my heart good to be able to say that I was at that Taco Bell that night (or early morning) that Steve and Cindy met! The circumstances of that chance encounter left me knowing with all certainty that those two were meant to be together – and the years that followed are a testament to that fact. Steve, Ol' Buddy, I'll always remember that slow drawl of yours but what stands out the most, as others have recalled, was that smile. The world is a lesser place without you in it but better for the fact that you were here for even a short while. Harold & Dimple, I can't imagine the loss you must feel but know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. I will reach out to you both soon. May God grant you, Cindy and the rest of the family the peace that only he can. Much love – Keith Causey.

March 19 at 1:09 PM

LD

Lorie Talkington Dearing posted:

I don't recall ever seeing him without a smile on his face. My heart is saddened by his passing. I know there is joy with the Father as he welcomes Steve into eternity. What an honoring obituary!

March 19 at 10:23 AM

DB

Dretha Burris posted:

Steve always had a smile on his face and a positive approach to life. He will be missed by his SGHS classmates! Prayers for Steve's family and friends... Dretha Burris

March 19 at 8:30 AM

DC

Dennis Cheatham posted:

As the words from the obituary stated, Steve is a wonderful friend, classmate, teammate, father, husband, son and follower of our Lord. He always had an infectious smile and lifted my spirit every time we were together. Deepest sympathy, but what a celebration in heaven upon his arrival.....Your friend and classmate from SGHS- Dennis Cheatham

March 19 at 7:02 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Steven by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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