



Stephen Charles Ayre

March 9, 1966 - June 10, 2017

Eliot, ME and Dallas, GA - Stephen Charles Ayre, 51, died Saturday, June 10, 2017, at his parents' home in Eliot, Maine, following a two year battle with cancer. With him were his parents Walter and Patricia Ayre, his wife Whitney, and sister, Jennifer.

He was born March 9, 1966 in Syracuse, NY, moved to Portsmouth, NH, northern California and then to Eliot, ME where he attended school from grade one through freshman year at Marshwood High School. Steve's family then moved to greater Atlanta where he graduated from Northside High School of Performing Arts and studied music at Georgia State University. For many years, Steve was a part of the Atlanta music scene with bands from Great Britain to Texas Crude, Stealing Time and Tinfoil Gargoyles/Undertone.

Steve was a talented musician with a gift for writing, he told elaborate stories and had a quirky sense of humor that always entertained. So many friends have expressed that Steve was an inspiration, challenging them to follow their dreams and fulfill their potential. Epilepsy and major seizures played a pivotal role in Steve's life decisions but he would not allow his illness to affect his spirit.

Steve resided in Dallas, Georgia with his wife Whitney, stepson Aidan, mother-in-law Muriel Wheeler and his three beloved cats. He was a hard-working, dedicated employee at Dekra International for more than 15 years managing state emissions and safety inspection stations in and around Atlanta.

Throughout Steve's battle with cancer, his positive attitude and ready smile endeared him to all of the medical personnel who cared for him, from the physician who originally diagnosed him to his hospice care providers. He sincerely appreciated each and every one.

He is survived by his wife Whitney and stepson Aidan of Dallas, GA; parents Walter and Patricia Ayre of Eliot, ME; sister Alicia Ayre of Marietta, GA; sister and brother-in-law

Jennifer and Chris Doyon, their sons, Zach and Adam of Eliot, ME; Uncle Albert and Aunt Gail Ayre of So. Portland and Rangeley, ME; cousins Scott Ayre and Kim Ayre of So. Portland, ME; Uncle Joseph and Aunt Mim Supsinskas of Whidbey Island, WA; cousins Noel Mladinichs of St. Petersburg, FL; Jamie Supsinskas of Orlando, FL and Callie Supsinskas of San Francisco, CA.

Steve was predeceased by his niece Jamie Doyon of Eliot, ME; grandparents Joseph (died in WWII) and Jennie Supsinskas of New Britain, CT and grandparents Walter and Mildred Gray Ayre of Laconia, NH.

Celebrations of Steve's life will be held in Atlanta, GA and in Rangeley, ME (his "favorite place on earth") at a future date.

Comments



“ I seen where Steve was a Patriots fan also, which is strange. I'm a huge Patriots fan. Steve the Patriots are going to win #6 this coming year



Frankie Butler - June 28, 2017 at 06:08 PM



“ I'm lost for words. I went to Northside High with Steve. We were bf & gf for a short time, when he was with Great Brittain. We used to hang withave all our friends together and not. He was always, a good kind hearted person. Even though I haven't seen Steve since his look in his high school photo....it truly touches my heart for him and his family. I live in Douglasville, not far from Dallas, and has no idea that he was so I close and sick. I'm married to a friend that was his friend also. Would loved to have been friends with him and his wife and helped him thru this horrible thing called Cancer. I'm into natural cures, and I think i might could have helped him. As i know of an amazing herb that actually kills cancer. God bless you all, and God bless Steve.



Frankie Butler - June 28, 2017 at 06:01 PM



“ Steve and the whole family made for wonderful neighbors at Lansbury Village in the 80's. I remember him changing the words to popular songs and belting them out. One in particular was "now I come to yooooou with BROKEN arms" instead of open arms. I remember playing pong the cutting edge home video game with him. I remember one snowy winter where the "gang" made the most of the weather and companionship...Im glad he went into music. It was certainly his calling. Love and sympathy to the Walt, Pat and Jenifer and all his family and friends.

Jules Paulk - June 15, 2017 at 10:19 PM



“ Our hearts are with you. So sorry. Dick and Lynn (Buckley) Lersch

Lynn Buckley Lersch - June 13, 2017 at 10:45 PM



“ I remember Steve telling me years ago that as a child growing up in Maine that if a kid in the neighborhood lost a tooth they would all say he reached hockey status I always thought that was really funny Steve had quiet a personality



Gary Zarin - June 13, 2017 at 05:14 PM



“ Our paths crossed only for a short while during our teenage years, but Steve's hilarious wit and beautiful soul left a forever imprint in my heart. I picture him now as I knew him then...laughing, being silly, cracking jokes, making everyone smile, forever young, and beautiful. One thing that's clear for the world to see is the incredible amount and outpouring of LOVE his friends and family have for him. What a tribute! I am so sorry for your loss; please accept my condolences and wishes for comfort and peace.

Kathy McCusker Cox

Kathy McCusker Cox - June 13, 2017 at 04:03 PM



“ Alan C lit a candle in memory of Stephen Charles Ayre



Alan C - June 13, 2017 at 02:21 PM



“ Only knew Steve a short time, but from what I know he was loved and admired man!!

Alan C - June 13, 2017 at 02:23 PM



“ funny, handsome and one of the most bravest! peace now! lots of love to whitney, and the ayre family!

robin - June 13, 2017 at 06:35 PM



“ Steve was one of a kind in many ways. He was a great musician, band mate, coworker and friend. I will always cherish the time we spent together and I will miss him terribly. Love and prayer to The Ayre family. Rest easy my friend.

Don Cole - June 13, 2017 at 09:50 PM



“ We actually never met Stephen in person but I know from Brenda he was an amazing man who passed too young. And to Jen you are the best sister a sibling could ever ask for. YourpYour parents are beautiful people also. We will keep all of you and his loved ones in our prayers as you try to begin to heal

Sheila Lokken - June 14, 2017 at 02:16 PM