

Stephanie Jo Merkley

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Dear Ryan and Christian and family, know you are in our prayers Dear Stephanie is loosed from physical pain and being greeted by many loved ones God comfort you. Your Abbedale Lane neighbors Geoff and Dolly

- Geoffrey and Dolly Baker

Don’t know how I feel. Her ordeal is over but it is bitter-sweet for Ryan and the family. The gospel of Jesus Christ should be a comfort during this time. We don’t know why she and her family had to endure this. But someday we will.

- David Harles

Ryan, I worked for many years at AGEC with Stephanie. She is a wonderful person to be around. My sincerest condolences to you and your family. We will remember you in our prayers.

- Scott Anderson

Ryan, I vividly remember hiding under the front window of our little house in Provo, eavesdropping on you and Stephanie at 3 am after you brought her home from a date. She was giddy when she came inside and told us all about it. She knew from day one that you were her soulmate. You two built such a beautiful life together. Stephanie was a bright, bright light in the world, who influenced my life in so many ways. I feel so blessed to have had her as a friend. Sending love, prayers and my deepest condolences.

- Josie Lauritsen Lee

We are so sorry to learn of Stephanie’s passing. She was such a lovely young lady when we had the pleasure of our associa- tion with her and her family. She was a real joy to have her in our home for early mor- ning seminary. Our deepest sympathy for all of her family, Gloria & Jay Earl

- Gloria & Jay Earl

I have the blessing of calling Stephanie my friend. When I think of her, I think of her vibrancy, joy, love of life, kindness, and strength. I am grateful that we shared our college years together and remained friends after graduation. She brought nothing but goodness to my life. ALS took so much from her; I look forward to the day when we will be united and I can hear her say my name with her characteristic enthusiasm. Ryan, Matt, and Christian, my heart aches with yours. You were blessed to have such an incredible woman as your wife and mother. My love, prayers and sympathy are with you.

- Alison Asay Pyeatt

My deepest condolences to the family■■. I always enjoyed and looked forward to seeing Steph the few months I was blessed with her. I pray that the good Lord blesses you all with lots of love and comfort at this difficult time. I know she will be watching over you all from Heaven. God bless you all ❤■❤■❤■■■ Fly high Steph ■■■ we love and miss you sm. ■

- Crystal Sales

Your family is in our thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.

- Jeffery Family

I'm so sorry for your loss. I work with Ryan and never met Stephanie but through conversations and actions knew that Ryan and the rest of the family loved her very much. Be blessed.

- Mark White

We are so sad to hear about Stephany. She was always so happy and kind at the ball field and loved watching Matt play baseball. Our love and condolences to your family. Bronson and Kellie Olsen

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Our deepest condolences to the Merkley family. I pray you find peace in God's wisdom for questions that cannot be answered. God Bless the Merkley family Your Abbedale Lane neighbors Melanie & Fred

- Broos Family

Sending love to one of my favorite families. I met Stephanie and Matt about 15 years ago when Matt came to my kindergarten class. I was privileged to have Christian in my second grade class as well. What a great blessing it has been to know this amazing family. I enjoyed working with Stephanie for the short time she worked as a STEM teacher at Willow Canyon. I was able to keep up with the family news and accomplishments of both Christian and Matt, baseball especially. My sincere heart and prayers are with you all as you begin to heal and move on with life, always knowing your loving mother is with you as she left her imprint on all that you are. ❤■❤■■ Shelly Christensen

- Shelly Christensen Willow Canyon Ele.

Freddy and I would like to extend our deepest condolences with the loss of your lovely wife, mother, daughter and sister. Even though we hardly knew her, we heard so many good things about her from all of our neighbors. The courage she had facing her disease will have an everlasting impact on everyone's life. Our Father in Heaven will now have the honor to welcome her into the Heavens. Just know, that she still will forever be in your lives. With warm regards, Your neighbors Freddy, Melanie Broos & family

- Freddy & Melanie Broos

I always secretly looked up to Stephanie… When I was 11 I handed her a flier for my babysitting business and she took a chance on me with Matt and Christian. I remember her showing me her garden and was always generous sharing the vegetables she grew and berries in the backyard. Looking back on my memories on her home it’s apparent she loved her kids and gracefully went about her day to day as a mother. When I later discovered she loved rocks I also felt I had a kindred spirit in her as I always wanted to be a geologist when I grew up. What a person, lucky to have grown up with such a role model.

- Abigail Jenson

My aunt Stephanie was an incredible woman and taught me so much, helping me become who I am today. She was such a bright spot in all of our lives. Ryan, Matt, and Chris I love you.

- Lindsey

Stephanie was a hero to me. She could be suffering the most and she could find a way to make me feel special and loved. I still remember at my baptism she gave me a blue floral anklet. I wore it everyday until it broke and I now still wear an anklet everyday in her honor. When she was still able to use her phone she would send me funny videos about dogs to make me laugh. She knew when I needed love and always found a way to send it to me. I loved her dearly and I am so incredibly grateful that she was my aunt. I will love her forever.

- Kaitlin Cozzi

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