



## Steve Allen Raper

June 30, 1962 - December 31, 2023

Steve Allen Raper, age 61, of Russellville, passed away on Sunday, December 31, 2023, at his residence after an extended illness.

Steve was a jack of all trades, an electrician, a carpenter, HVAC technician, and could do just about anything. He worked for 15 years in maintenance and retired from Phil Campbell Housing Authority. Steve was always willing to help everyone, always putting others first and never putting himself first, and had a heart like Jesus. Anyone who had the pleasure of knowing Steve loved him. Steve worked hard all of his life to provide food, clothes, and shelter for his boys, who he loved with all of his heart, they were his everything. He loved to fish and in his younger days, spent countless hours teaching his boys how to ride horses, which he was passionate about. His wife, his sons, and his grandchildren were his world. Life will never be the same without Steve, but we know he is no longer struggling with his health issues, and he is finally at peace.

He was preceded in death by his father, L.D. Raper; mother, Helen Bowlin Comeens; and his four-legged best friend, Lil Dan.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of ten years, Lori Cochran Raper; sons, Nick (Amber) Raper, David Raper; stepdaughter, Kylie Ingram; grandchildren, Kree-Lynn Raper, Adalee Raper, Owen Raper, Laleana Raper; honorary grandson, Dalton Cochran "Squirt"; stepfather, Darell Comeens; sisters, Judy (Milton) Timmons, Brenda (J.R.) Glasgow, Linda Lindsey; and a host of nieces & nephews.

The time of visitation will be 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Thursday, January 04, 2024, at Spry Memorial Chapel. The funeral service will be at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel with Bro. Darren Steward speaking at the service. The burial will be at Franklin Memory Gardens.

The pallbearers will be Brad Lindsey, Eric Glasgow, Randy Cochran, Jimmy Sloas, Dalton Cochran, and Gary Dolan. The honorary pallbearers will be Wayne Welborn, Josh Timmons, and Rick Lindsey.

The family would like to express a sincere heartfelt thanks to the nurses and staff from Alabama Hospice of the Shoals. A special thanks to Grace Gunn, Nakeshia Harris, and in the final hours, Nurse Heather Patterson for taking such great care of Steve. Also, a sincere thanks to his favorite caregiver, Susan Hudson. We love you all.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To have us sign the book for you, please feel free to call or to leave private condolences, please visit our website at [www.sprymemorialchapel.com](http://www.sprymemorialchapel.com).

# Tribute Wall

SK

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. We were classmates and he was a great friend. Steve will truly be missed. PCHS class of 1981



SCOTT EDWARD KING - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

HL

“ Prayers for peace and strength. 🙏  
Love and Hugs to all..💕



Hope Bowlin Landers - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Steve was always a good cousin, he helped me adjust to moving from Michigan to Alabama right before my 16th birthday. He got us a job in Arley mending fences in a swamp. Hot, snakes and mosquitoes not the best job but we made the most of it. Spent a few weekends in the woods with friends and some fishing was done. Always a good time with him. Lost track of time and our relationship after going in the Navy but he was always thought of and his kindness helped me make during the yankee transition to the south. He will be missed. Praying for his family as you go through this difficult time.💎



Jerry Ray Dotson - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Steve was a great person and was there for me when I moved to Alabama. We got a job working in the swamp in Arley mending fences. Snake, mosquitoes and it was hot July/August. We spent a few weekends hanging out with friends in the woods and did some fishing. Never had a bad time and he was always kind to me. He will be missed and 💎my thoughts are prayers are with his family.💎



Jerry Ray Dotson - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ We are very sorry to hear the passing of Steve. He was a very good man with a Big heart. He is healed. No more sickness. Words wont make the pain go away, but just know that everyone is in our thoughts and prayers. We never say goodbye, we say see you later. If yall need anything at all, please let us know and again we are praying for everyone.

Jamey, Tracy, Breanna and Makayla Prince - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Stevie, you were the best! You will be missed by everyone especially mom. She loved you so much and constantly talk about you always coming to see her. Fly high with no more pain and we will see you later. Prayers and hugs to Lori as she was truly a God send to you. Love you always, Julie and your favorite Aunt June.

Julie Roper - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Praying for peace and comfort in Jesus Name Amen

James E Heath - January 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM