



Stephen K. Blake

January 6, 1962 - February 28, 2024

Stephen Keith Blake, 62, of Baltimore, Maryland, passed away on February 28, 2024, in his hometown after battling a lengthy illness. He was born on January 6, 1962, to Charles William Blake and Dorothy Mae James.

Steve was a devoted husband of over thirty years to Karen R. Blake and a loving father to his two sons, James Ross Blake and William Alan Blake. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Linda A. James-Junior, brothers-in-law, John L. Junior and Martin Ross, mother-in-law Paula Blake along with a host of cousins, aunts, and uncles.

Stephen had a fulfilling educational journey, attending St. John the XXIII within St. Edwards School for primary education, Loyola Blakefield for high school, and earning a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering from Brown University in Providence, RI.

A proud member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Stephen actively participated in the national step team during his undergraduate years and continued his involvement as a member of the graduate chapter.

Steve will also be remembered for his dedication to the City of Baltimore, working with the city's Department of Public Works for over 25 years. He was also active with the Baltimore Area Boy Scouts, where he influenced

countless young men, preparing them for adulthood.

As a man of faith, Stephen was a member of the combined St. Mary's and St. Pius X parish, where he found solace and community.

Stephen's hobbies included his love for sports and his commitment to the Boy Scouts. He found joy in watching his sons engage in various sports activities and cheering for his beloved Baltimore Orioles.

Steve will be deeply missed by all who knew him, but his legacy of kindness, dedication, and love for family and community will continue to inspire those whose lives he touched.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park

8710 Dogwood Road
Baltimore, MD 21244

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 22. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Johnson-Fosbrink Funeral and Cremation Service, P.A. - A March Funeral Home
8521 Loch Raven Blvd
Baltimore, MD 21286
(410) 668-2300
<https://www.johnsonfosbrinkfh.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Pius X Catholic Church
6428 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21212

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Jeffrey S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Jeffrey S. - March 24, 2024 at 03:31 PM

PR

“ Here's a photo of one of the SPX hoops teams Steve and I coached together years ago.
My family and I will miss Steve. God Bless the Blake family.
Patrick Reynolds



Patrick Reynolds - March 23, 2024 at 05:04 PM

AK

“ Andrew K. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Andrew K. - March 22, 2024 at 09:53 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



March 21, 2024 at 08:47 PM

EM

“ Eddie & Erica Marotta planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Eddie & Erica Marotta - March 21, 2024 at 08:47 PM

CU

“ Clarence Featherson (Sigma/Brown Univ.) purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



Clarence Featherson (Sigma/Brown Univ.) - March 21, 2024 at 07:20 PM

CU

“ Clarence Featherson (Sigma/Brown Univ.) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Clarence Featherson (Sigma/Brown Univ.) - March 21, 2024 at 07:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



March 21, 2024 at 05:55 PM

MF

“ Steve was a great friend and I will miss him. He was a great parent, and loves his wife and family. He coached my twins, Michael and Jeremy, in many sports, but most important, he was an excellent role model for my sons and for the entire team. I will always remember his smile and his great sense of humor during the games. Steve is getting his heavenly rest, but he is smiling, he is at peace! I am praying for the entire Blake family.
Mychelle Farmer, and Michael, Jeremy, James DeGraffenreidt

Mychelle Farmer - March 21, 2024 at 01:36 PM

KB

Thank you for the gift of presence at the viewing. I know that Stephen is smiling.

Karen Blake - March 23, 2024 at 05:35 AM

TF

“ The DeGraffenreidt family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



The DeGraffenreidt family - March 21, 2024 at 01:20 PM

TF

“ The DeGraffenreidt family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

The DeGraffenreidt family - March 21, 2024 at 01:20 PM

BF

“ *Bmore Chugs Friends purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stephen K. Blake.*



Bmore Chugs Friends - March 20, 2024 at 10:22 PM

TC

“ *The Reisterstown Heisenbergs Hockey Club purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Stephen K. Blake.*



The Reisterstown Heisenbergs Hockey Club - March 20, 2024 at 03:49 PM

RJ

“ *My heart has been heavy since I learned of the passing of my brother Stephen Blake late last month. We became friends our first week at Brown University, and brothers upon his pledging Phi Beta Sigma. We were groomsmen in each other's wedding, business partners in a marketing venture, and maintained contact throughout. This picture was taken in Charlottesville, VA around 2010 when his family came to watch Roddy Jones (his ringbearer) and his Georgia Tech teammates take on Virginia. All of us were drenched that day by frequent storms, but it didn't wipe away the smiles on our faces! Steve had an infectious smile, a hearty laugh, and one of the warmest and biggest hearts I've ever come across.*



Rod Jones - March 20, 2024 at 01:47 PM

CO

“ *In living of loving life and being selfless, one desires to live a life where you make a difference in the lives of others and your contributions are heartfelt & valued. Steve continued to make a difference as a loving Dad, Husband and family man as well as professionally, and in the lives of so many at St. Pius X (Coaching/Volunteering), Cub/Boy Scouts, and with the Loyola Blakefield Fathers' Club. Thanks for coaching my son, Steve, very much appreciated. I remain a better person for my time spent with this young man. Much Love to the Blake Family.*

Christopher Oswald - March 20, 2024 at 12:20 PM

DG

“ *I was blessed to know Steve for many years sharing fellowship with the Boy Scouts. Steve was a tireless volunteer and enriched the lives of many young people in the Baltimore Area. On a personal note, he always had a pleasant disposition and I considered him a dear friend. He went home too soon. Bless you Steve. Don Gwaltney*

Don Gwaltney - March 19, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen K. Blake.*



March 19, 2024 at 09:34 AM

EF

“ *Eklund Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.*

Eklund Family - March 19, 2024 at 09:34 AM

PP

“ Penny Pinkney-Robinson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



Penny Pinkney-Robinson - March 19, 2024 at 09:32 AM

CS

“ Carl S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Carl S. - March 17, 2024 at 06:06 PM

YC

“ Your Friends at Geosyntec Consultants purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



Your Friends at Geosyntec Consultants - March 15, 2024 at 05:01 PM

ST

“ Sandra Turner(5631) purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Stephen K. Blake.



Sandra Turner(5631) - March 14, 2024 at 05:31 PM



“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



March Funeral Homes - March 08, 2024 at 09:15 AM

DR

“ I will always remember our "discussions" of Gilman vs. Loyola, talks about the Capitals, and how much he loved his family. Truly a good man.

Doug Riley - March 07, 2024 at 07:40 PM

TG

“ I knew Steve mostly through a weekly trivia game that we played together over the years. I thoroughly enjoyed those outings, as he always brought a smile to my face or knew what to say to get me to make me laugh out loud. He always struck me as a private person when it came to discussing his own health, but I will be forever grateful to him for reaching out to me when I received my cancer diagnosis and sharing his own experiences navigating his own health challenges. He was a good man who certainly will be missed.

Tom Glancy - March 06, 2024 at 05:21 PM

TS

“ Tom Glancy and Char Stivers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Tom Glancy and Char Stivers - March 06, 2024 at 05:09 PM

JG

“ I met Steve at the landfill in 2020-2021
And immediately his spirit let me know ,he knew The Lord.
I called him "Shake and Blake"
And he was cool with it ,when I resigned,he gave me a nice parting gift.

Jeffrey gray - March 06, 2024 at 04:26 PM

AE

“ Our whole family loves Steve and will miss him tremendously! The biggest gift Steve and Karen have given us are their the two wonderful sons Will and James - both of who have befriended our sons at Loyola. Will is STILL an inseparable member of our family and the best Finnish ice hockey goalie Baltimore has ever seen! We cherish all the great memories! Steve will have a forever place in our hearts! Antti Eklund, Marikki Laiho and Emil, Eetu and Emma

Antti Eklund - March 06, 2024 at 10:35 AM

KB

Many blessings to you and your family.

Karen Renee Blake - March 06, 2024 at 01:56 PM

MM

“ Marianne M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen K. Blake.

Marianne M. - March 05, 2024 at 01:58 PM

TF

“ *The Spellman Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stephen K. Blake.*



The Spellman Family - March 05, 2024 at 01:45 PM

TS

“ *Sending my sincere condolences to you and your family. It was an honor and pleasure to work with you Mr. Blake. You were such a stellar individual. You will truly be missed.*



TOYA YVETTE SYKES-COATES - March 05, 2024 at 09:13 AM

JD

“ *"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime." - Martin Luther. Steve was a gentle man and was a true "man for others."*

John Davis - March 05, 2024 at 04:27 AM

NC

“ *Epitaph by Merrit Malloy*
When I die, give what's left of me away
To children and old people who wait to die.
If you need to cry,
Cry for your brother and sister
Walking the street beside you.
And when you need me,
Put your arms around anyone and
Give them what you need to give to me.
I want to leave you something,
Something better than words or sounds.
Look for me in the people I've known or loved.
If you cannot give me away,
At least let me live in your eyes,
And not in your mind.
You can love me most
By letting hands touch hands,
By letting hearts touch hearts,
And by letting go of
Spirits who need to be free.
Love does not die, bodies do.
So, when all that's left of me is love,
Give me away. <3

GONE 2 SOON! MY DEAR FRIEND!

NATE "THE SKATE" CHRISTIAN - March 04, 2024 at 06:23 PM

CR

“ *I was fortunate to know Steve as an esteemed colleague in Maryland's solid waste and recycling community, and also as a strong contributor to our trivia team. A truly wonderful soul, Steve will be missed by all who knew him. Deepest condolences to all of Steve's family.*

Charlie Reighart - March 04, 2024 at 05:13 PM

MM

I had known Steve for many years and worked with him for a short time. He was a gentleman and I always valued his friendship. My sympathies to his family.

Maria Myers - March 06, 2024 at 08:41 AM

PR

“ *May God Bless Steve and his family. Steve mentored me in my early years of coaching youth sports at Saint Pius X school and was always a great friend - willing to do what was needed; always willing to help. Our kids carpoled to and from Loyola Blakefield, and I always appreciated the life lessons Steve would impart as he dropped the boys off. We will miss him.
Patrick and Stasia Reynolds and family.*

Patrick Reynolds - March 03, 2024 at 11:41 PM

MH

“ *Kept the work going for the Boy Scouts with love.*

michael leroy harding - March 03, 2024 at 06:23 PM

JL

“ *Joe Foreman Class of 1980 Loyola purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stephen K. Blake.*



Joe Foreman Class of 1980 Loyola - March 03, 2024 at 01:48 PM

ST

“ I had the pleasure of working with Steve at DPW. Is love of his family and the Boy Scouts is something I will always remember. He will be sincerely missed.

sadie Dale thompson - March 03, 2024 at 11:07 AM

GF

“ It's with great shock and sadness that I received the news about my friend Stephen. I knew Stephen as a young, vibrant man, full of life. I can't imagine him dying, and at such a young age. I met Stephen around 1992 when I became a Scout leader. Stephen, much younger than me, was already an experienced Scouter and Scout Leader. The success I had in Scouting was partly due to his example and counsel. Everyone loved Stephen, the adults, as well as the boys. The effect a good Scout Leader has on the world is almost incalculable. How many boys and young men did he help mode in over 35 years of scouting? How many adults, like me, did he influence? Look at his wonderful sons, and multiply that by a thousand, then we begin to understand his value to our world. Goodbye, old friend. I await your guidance on the next scouting trail.

George H Fleming - March 02, 2024 at 10:40 PM

TW

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the family. Steve was a great colleague, what I remember most is his contagious smile! Heaven gained an Angel that will be missed by all. Sending DPW SW love ❤️



Tiffany Walker - March 02, 2024 at 08:16 PM

CC

“ *Deepest sympathy to the Blake family. Steve and I were great Oriole friends, attending most home games in the late 1970's and 80's. Steve always kept us laughing. I have so many fond memories of those fun days in Section 34. I am so sorry he has passed away, but I know he will be smiling down on all who knew and loved him. Rest in peace my friend 💜 Love you, Carol*

Carol Crist - March 02, 2024 at 06:14 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - March 02, 2024 at 01:31 PM