



## Steve Swanson

September 6, 1955 - March 17, 2024

North Augusta, South Carolina. Steve Swanson 68 went home to be with Jesus at his home on March 17, 2024. A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, May 4th at 10 AM at Stevens Creek Church in Augusta Georgia.

Steve was born September 6, 1955, in Moline Illinois to Don Swanson and the late Sally Swanson. Following his graduation from the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle Washington, he served as a youth pastor in Burnsville, Minnesota. Steve would go on to pursue a career in Radio spanning 45 years, retiring with 14 years of service as general manager from 88.3 WAFJ radio. He was an avid photographer, who loved capturing God's creation through landscapes and candid family photos. Steve was a talented writer and weekly contributed Faith Friday articles to Augusta Business Daily. Steve's greatest love was music and he would always play a game of naming the song before the lyrics ever started.

His incredible sense of humor brought joy to everyone he knew, and he was best known for his dad jokes. Steve was a member of Stevens Creek Church and loved Jesus with his whole heart. He served the Lord in all he did, taking every opportunity to share his testimony and godly wisdom with those he mentored and loved. Steve will be remembered for his strong character, selfless service, and his love for his family, especially his grandchildren who

affectionately called him “Bompa”.

Surviving family members left to cherish his memory include his beloved wife and sweetheart of 46 years, Susie Swanson, two children, Shereen Klevens (Jason) and Luke Swanson (Tami); six grandchildren, Lila Klevens, Violet Klevens, Levi Klevens, Caleb DeLong, Morgan DeLong, and Oakleigh Swanson, his dad Don Swanson and three siblings, Sue Hogg, Sheri Patterson (Jeff) and Dave Swanson (Sandy).

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to 88.3 WAFJ. [WAFJ.com](http://WAFJ.com)

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta is assisting the family with their arrangements (803) 278-1181.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

Stevens Creek Church  
600 Stevens Creek Road  
Augusta, GA 30907  
<http://www.stevenscreekchurch.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ I received a sweet 16 birthday gift from Steve and some other friends who had surprised me with the gift with the word's Have a Beautiful Day in Jesus, and I still have the present from them. I have their record Summersong when he was in the band Summersong singing in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Fairview Drive Burnsville, MN 55337, USA. And when we were in a singing group during high school. We had gone to Seattle, WA, during our Spring break sophomore year, in Phoenix, AZ, during our Xmas break, we were stranded in Iowa, and then we went to Chicago, IL during our Spring break. I have missed him and his family members since they moved to Augusta, SC

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**Pam Svoboda** - March 26, 2024 at 02:14 PM



“ I remember well the summer I spent with Steve during 1974. Driving thru Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. All the puns told. Singing in various Churches. Spending time with different Youth Groups. The long drives. In Wisconsin Heavy fog on the road and we got to the top of a hill all clear. We stopped for a few minutes to look at the scene. Fog below us but totally Clear where we were on the Highway. As we left to drive thru the next valley the heavy fog again was around us and disappeared when we got to the next high point. Reminding me always Life is full of Ups and downs. Sometimes we do not see clearly every twist or turn of Life but when you come to the top of a hill all things are clear again. Steve will be missed.

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**David Anfinrud** - March 22, 2024 at 04:59 AM



“ I met Steve in 1974 when we were part of the first Captive Free team from Lutheran Youth Encounter. It was a pretty incredible year of traveling, singing, playing, praying, laughing and living with that group of five strangers who became friends. Steve was our team leader and one of the most energetic and charismatic people it has been my honor to know. We'll done, good and faithful servant.

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**Peter Moberg** - March 21, 2024 at 09:19 AM

BS

“ Sending love and prayers. May God give you comfort and peace at this sad time.

*Bert and Coni Sansom*

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**Bert and Coni Sansom** - March 20, 2024 at 08:45 PM

LG

*I remember meeting Steve at our house when he and Tim were at LBI. They came to our house in mpls to surprise my mom. The bothe had rock hair star hair styles, Tim looked Totally different and Steve became part of our fam from then on! We'll miss you Steve! Sue you will be in my prayers for always! Love you! Lori*

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**Lori Wright Gumm** - March 21, 2024 at 08:27 AM

LR

*I worked with Steve at The JOY FM in Florida years ago. Steve would always encourage me and mentor me in my early years in radio. He had a way of making you feel like you were the only person in the room, and you felt valued. He was a good friend and a blessing to me. He truly loved Jesus. I grieve losing my brother in Christ in this realm, but I rejoice that he has gone home to the Lord Jesus in the heavenly realm...and I know he is enjoying the presence of our King Jesus and Jesus is loving him beyond what we can fathom. Thank you, Jesus, for this precious brother and allowing our paths to cross. You are so missed my brother!*

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**Luisa Rodriguez** - March 21, 2024 at 01:09 PM

BS

*I remember Steve from LBI - he was one of the upper class people who stood out to us as a role model in loving Jesus.*

**Bob See** - March 21, 2024 at 03:09 PM

DB

*Dave and I got to know Steve when he was working at the radio station in Bradenton. A man of God and greatly missed*

**David and Ruth Boice** - March 21, 2024 at 03:19 PM



*I cherish the too few times our paths crossed. I always felt closer to God when I was with Steve.*

**Jeff Scott** - March 22, 2024 at 01:38 PM