



## Stephen M. Hozdic

September 1, 1970 - October 26, 2022

Stephen M. Hozdic of Galena, Ohio, passed away suddenly on October 26, 2022 at the age of 52.

Beloved husband of 19 years to Myra K. (nee Ross) Hozdic; devoted father to Ellie and Landon; loving son of Linda and the late Francis (Joanne); dear brother of Michael (Donna), Patricia (Daniel) Jarvis, Joseph (Tiffany), and Elena (Michael) Curran; he is also survived by his cherished in-laws and many nieces and nephews.

Born in Louisville, KY and raised in Buffalo, NY, Stephen graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Industrial Engineering, leading him to a happy life in Ohio, where he met his wife Myra and began a family. His career in Engineering spanned nearly 30 years.

With his infectious laugh, calm demeanor, and generous heart, Steve made everyone feel loved. He worshiped God faithfully, serving as a director of his church. He took immense pride in his children, Ellie and Landon.

Steve loved taking joy rides in his black-cherry Cadillac, listening to his music and found happiness fishing and spending time at the family cabin in Pennsylvania. He delighted in tending to his garden and working in the yard, and built friendships through many seasons.

Words fall short of describing the enduring love we felt for our loving husband, dad, brother and son, but take solace in knowing that he is at peace with God and reunited with the family that has gone before him.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Nov. 1 from 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Rutherford Funeral

Home, 450 W. Olentangy Street in Powell. Services will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 11 a.m. at Compassion Christian Church, 41 Firestone Dr. in Delaware.

Donations in Stephen's honor can be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Stephen's family recommends Gibson the Florist in Delaware: 740-363-1394

# Cemetery Details

## Oller Cemetery

5459 Riverside Drive  
Delaware, OH 43015

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
[info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Compassion Christian Church  
41 Firestone Drive  
Delaware, OH 43015  
<https://www.compassiondelaware.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Stephen M. Hozdic* ”



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**Rutherford Funeral Homes** - November 01, 2022 at 09:31 AM



“ *Stephen M. Hozdic* ”

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall* ”



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**Kim Darrah** - November 01, 2022 at 08:05 PM

KD

“ Our hearts are heavy today. Steve was such a joyful guy who **ADORED** his family and always made others feel a part of that family. Praying that knowing how much joy he brought to this world will give comfort.



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**Kim Darrah** - November 01, 2022 at 05:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of **Stephen M. Hozdic**.



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November 01, 2022 at 03:52 PM

DE

“ *Grateful to have know Steven while coaching him at Lou Gehrig Little League almost 40 years ago. Was the most feared pitcher at that time and could always be counted on to play well. Always had a smile on his face until he got on the mound. All business at that point. My condolences to the family.*

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**DenisScinta** - November 01, 2022 at 10:09 AM

DA

“ *Debbie and Phil Asta purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



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**Debbie and Phil Asta** - November 01, 2022 at 08:14 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



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October 31, 2022 at 04:30 PM

DS

“ *I worked with Steve at Stoneridge since 2010, and always found him to be jovial and pleasant to work with. It is with great sadness I learned of his passing, and my deepest sympathy and condolences go out to his family.*

*Dr. David P. Schuler*

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**Dr. David Schuler** - October 31, 2022 at 02:48 PM

TM

“ *Steve was such a cherished friend who made the world a better place just by his presence. May God's Peace be with all of Steve's family and friends at this difficult time.*

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**Troy Miller** - October 31, 2022 at 02:23 PM



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Troy Miller - October 31, 2022 at 02:16 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



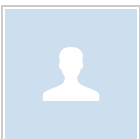
October 31, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ Stoneridge Engineering friends purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



Stoneridge Engineering friends - October 31, 2022 at 01:47 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



October 31, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 31, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 31, 2022 at 10:37 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 31, 2022 at 09:50 AM



“ *2 files added to the album from freinds*



**Kathleen Findley** - October 31, 2022 at 09:31 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 31, 2022 at 06:14 AM



“ *Aunt Marti & Uncle Ron Susa purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



**Aunt Marti & Uncle Ron Susa** - October 30, 2022 at 09:29 PM



“ *Ken & Shannon Craig purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



**Ken & Shannon Craig** - October 30, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ *Steve was just a great person. An energy and warmth about him that was contagious. I was truly blessed to have him as a dear friend and to have shared so many wonderful memories with him.*



**Kenneth Craig** - October 30, 2022 at 08:43 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 30, 2022 at 07:06 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 30, 2022 at 04:32 PM



“ *Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 30, 2022 at 09:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.*



October 29, 2022 at 06:19 PM

KG

“ To Stephen's Family and Friends. You will really be missed greatly. You were an Awesome cousin and a great husband and father. I will really miss you. I remember dancing with you when we were kids at family Weddings. We had fun fishing at the cabin. God will take care of you. Love you. Your Cousin Kim

Kimberly Ann Gergel - October 29, 2022 at 01:44 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



October 29, 2022 at 12:31 PM

TF

“ Steve was a good guy. We have known Steve fir over 25 years, both my husband and I worked for him and during that time he always made us laugh. His laugh was infectious. The world will seem a little dimmer without him. Myra my heart goes out to you and the kids. Hugs.

Tammy & Bill FitzRandolph - October 29, 2022 at 01:33 AM

AC

“ Amy Connor sent a virtual gift in memory of Stephen M. Hozdic



Amy Connor - October 28, 2022 at 10:28 PM

AC

“ Amy Connor lit a candle in memory of Stephen M. Hozdic



Amy Connor - October 28, 2022 at 10:26 PM



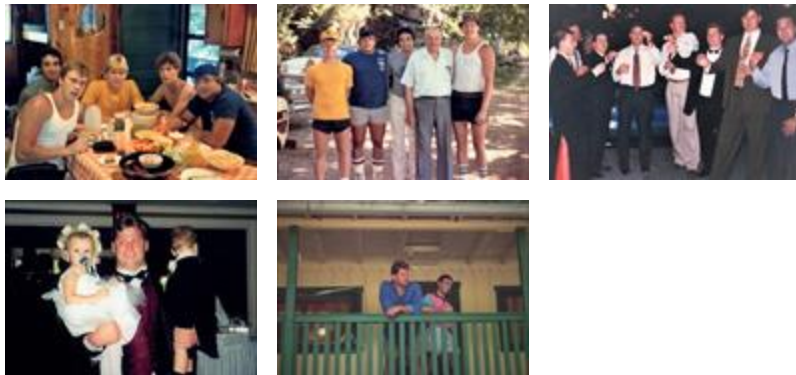
“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



October 28, 2022 at 04:57 PM

JH

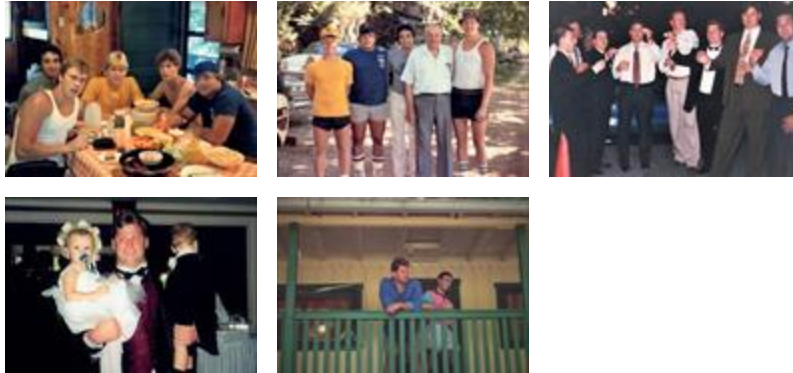
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JH - October 28, 2022 at 04:25 PM

JI

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Jim - October 28, 2022 at 04:07 PM

JD

“ JR and Claudia Deardorff purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



JR and Claudia Deardorff - October 28, 2022 at 03:17 PM

JF

“ Jim, Chuck, Kim, Shelby and family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Stephen M. Hozdic.



Jim, Chuck, Kim, Shelby and family - October 28, 2022 at 02:54 PM



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Joe Sciandra - October 28, 2022 at 02:07 PM



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Elena Curran - October 28, 2022 at 12:33 PM



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Elena Curran - October 28, 2022 at 12:25 PM

DB

*Love all the beautiful pictures of Steve. He always had a smile to give. Thinking of all of you at this time and cherishing the times spent together until we meet again.*

**diana baiocchi** - October 28, 2022 at 03:43 PM

LH

*My condolences, thoughts and prayers are with you all. While I didn't keep in touch with Steve, he was always one of our favorites to cheer for and he was a good friend to all. Life is precious and from all the wonderful photos, it looks like many fond memories will help you through this dark time. Lisa (Martin) Henrickson WNHS '88*

**Lisa Henrickson** - October 31, 2022 at 12:33 PM

EK

*Our heartfelt condolences to Myra and the family. We pray to the Lord to give them the strength they need to get through this most difficult time. Ed and Judy Kravitz*

**Ed Kravitz** - November 01, 2022 at 11:22 AM