



## Sam Stevens Obituary

November 13, 1941 - October 10, 2007

Mr. Sam Stevens, 65, of Albany died October 10, 2007 at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta. The Funeral Service will be Saturday, October 13, 2007, 11 AM at First United Methodist Church. Rev. Mike McAfee, Rev. Tami Coleman, Rev. Jim Coleman and Mr. Phil Gresham officiating. A native of Atlanta, GA, Mr. Stevens has lived in Albany since 1973 where he started Albany Safety Equipment Co. with Howard Garwood and was Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager from 1973 to 2003. After he sold the business, he became the Publications Director at Deerfield-Windsor School. Mr. Stevens was a member of First United Methodist Church where he served as an Adult Sunday School class teacher, Wednesday night supper coordinator, Disciple Bible Facilitator, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and on various committees. He was a member of Pine Forest Racquet Club. He also was a United States Navy Veteran. He graduated from O'Keefe High School in Atlanta and from Georgia State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. Survivors include his wife, Carolyn F. Stevens, a daughter, Marlene Stevens Rinker and her husband David Rinker of Suwanee, GA, a son Paul Samuel Stevens, Jr. and his wife Tonya Egan of Salt Lake City, UT and a granddaughter, Maisie Jean Stevens of Salt Lake City, UT. The family will receive friends Saturday, October 13, 2007, from 9:30 to 11 AM in the Sanctuary of First United Methodist Church. Those desiring may make memorials to First United Methodist Church, Beyond 2000 Building Fund, P.O. Box 448, Albany, GA 31702 or the American Heart Association,

P.O. Box 1923, Albany, GA 31702.

# Tribute Wall



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“ *My family and I will so miss Sam's face at Wednesday night supper! He has been such a faithfull and diligent steward to that ministry. Please know that our deepest sympothies are with your family at this time and you are in our prayers. May the peace that only God can bring be yours!*

**Laura Valentine** - October 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I am a bookkeeper for Draffin & Tucker, LLP. I really thought alot of Mr. Stevens, and I am so sorry to hear of your loss.

*Sherry Cannon*

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**Sherry Cannon** - October 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Aunt Carolyn,Paul,& Marlene,  
Uncle Sam will be greatly missed. Please know how much we love you all and we continue to keep you in our prayers. The funeral service was beautiful and we are so proud of you, Paul--great job! Please let us know anything--any time--you need us to help in any way. Uncle Sam will always be remembered as a faithful, easy going, devout Christian man as well as a loving father and husband. He loved life and he loved his family because they were his life. What a joyous celebration it will be when we join him in our Heavenly home. Lots of Love forever and always.....

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**Glenn,Pam, Michael, & Christa** - October 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Carolyn, Marlene and Paul...What a beautiful service yesterday. It was a blessing to be in the same church as Sam and know of his love for God. Leonard and I are lifting you all up in our prayers.  
*Margaret*

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**margaret brannan** - October 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Carolyn, Melvyn & I want you to know that we have you and Paul & Marlene in our thoughts as you are facing this most difficult day. The years and miles have not erased our love for your family and the memories that we all shared on the courts at Ga Tech. God bless you all. The Ottingers

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**marilyn ottinger** - October 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Carolyn and family:  
How sad we are to hear that Sam died. What a gentle, caring man he was. I was privileged to serve the trustees when Sam was chair. He was a true man of God, who had a heart for everything he did. We will all miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

*Patsy Martin*

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**Patsy Martin** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Carolyn,  
I'm so sorry. The world won't be the same place without Sam. You will be in our prayers.

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**Nancy Stephenson** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We are sorry to hear about Sam. He was so greatly admired by many. I always enjoyed visiting with him and sharing stories about Paul and Kellie Gardner Strange. Sam was so proud of his children and their accomplishments. Our prayers to Carolyn and the children.

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**Doyt and Martha Brown** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ I work at DWS and most of my contact with Sam has been through the Business Office and the lunch table. He always had a smile on his face and such an easy going personality. Carolyn Smith, our head librarian loved to tease and kid Sam. You could tell he didn't mind because he knew Carolyn only did it because she like him, as we all did. You could tell when he talked about his wife and family how very special they were to him. His eyes would light up and that smile would appear. He will be greatly missed. It was very quiet at the lunch table yesterday, I know we all had Sam on our minds. He always sat in the same chair so it was like it wasn't right for someone to sit in that chair.His family is in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Ann Reese** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Carolyn And Family:  
Sam was one of the good guys. It was a great pleasure to know him and serve as usher with him.  
I recall one Sunday morning a man approached Sam for help. Sam walked down the block with the man. When he returned I asked what had happened? The man had removed his old battery and found someone who would sell him a used battery but he lacked the funds. Sam supplied the necessary funds.  
My thoughts and prayers are still with you.

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**AL Algiers** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ Carolyn

*How blessed Paul and I were when we joined the Georgia Cochran Class because it was in that class we met you and Sam. What a treasure your friendship has become to us. Seeing you in the choir and Sam as he made his way up and down the aisle is a memory we hold dear.*

*We are holding you and your family and that precious granddaughter close to our hearts during this time.*

*Hold tight to those wonderful memories you have tucked away in a special place in your hearts.*

*Love,  
Nan*

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**Paul and Nan Jones** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Carolyn and family, I'm so sorry to hear that Sam has passed. He was truly a special person and will be missed by all. His understated humor and gentle demeanor made working with him a pleasure. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult period.  
*Sincerely, Pete*

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**Peter Meeks** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM