



## Rev. William O. Stewart Jr.

June 11, 1948 - August 30, 2019

The Very Rev. William O. Stewart Jr., 71, of Albany, GA died August 30, 2019 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, September 4, 2019 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Episcopal Church of St. John and St. Mark, Primo Hall, 2425 Cherry Laurel Ln., Albany, GA. Memorial Services will be held Thursday, September 5, 2019 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 212 N. Jefferson Ln., Albany, GA.

A native of Cordele, GA, Rev. Stewart served as Chief Appraiser for Crisp County until becoming a long time resident of Albany where he served as Rector of the Episcopal Church of St. John and St. Mark. He attended Florida State University and graduated from Valdosta State College. He later attended Seminary at Sewanee, The University of the South School of Theology. The great loves of his life were his wife, his children, and his church family, followed by passions for gardening, music, cooking, and the Florida State Seminoles.

Rev. Stewart is survived by his loving wife, Sharon Costello Stewart, his daughter Rebekah Hair-Stewart (William Hair-Stewart), his sons, William Shaun Stewart (Lauren Stewart) and Ryan Stephen Stewart (Mason Elizabeth Smith), two sisters, Barbara Stewart Breidt (Sam Breidt) and Beth Stewart DeSantiago (Xav DeSantiago), several nieces and nephews along with great-nieces and nephews, and his fur baby, Rena.

To those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to either the

Episcopal Church of St. John and St. Mark, 2425 Cherry Laurel Ln., Albany,  
GA 31705 or to Georgia Episcopal Camp and Conference Center, 299  
Georgia Episcopal Center Rd., Waverly, GA 31565.

# Previous Events

## Visitation reception

SEP 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Episcopal Church of St. John and St. Mark  
2425 Cherry Laurel Ln.  
Albany, GA

## Service

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
212 N. Jefferson  
Albany, GA 31701

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. William O. Stewart Jr.*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Rev. William O. Stewart Jr.*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *So sorry to hear this. Bill was one of the leaders in Tax Assessors' Offices and was very much instrumental in beginning a computer program for Tax Assessors' Offices in the State of Georgia. May God Bless and comfort you all in the days ahead. Sylvia Lamb, Chief Appraiser, Turner County GA*

**Sylvia Lamb** - September 10, 2019 at 09:57 AM



“ *Our condolences to all of you who loved Bill. Praying for you... Gordon and Susan Reyher*

**susan reyher** - September 05, 2019 at 04:28 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. William O. Stewart Jr..*



September 04, 2019 at 04:05 PM

BW

“What wonderful memories I have of Bill, long before he was a priest. His laughter, his smile, his curly black hair & his unconditional love for his little crazy sister in law. I loved spending time with him as he put up with all of us & especially my little brothers, even when they made him participate in their games & adventures. Our times at his family home in Cordele was just an extra bonus, his parents were always welcoming & nurturing to everyone. Sending my love & prayers to all the family.

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**Becky Dominey Woods** - September 04, 2019 at 10:32 AM

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“My heartfelt condolences to Sharon and the children, Barbara & Sam, Beth & Xav and the extended Stewart clan. Yes, I do remember how he loved animals and music. During the college years living in a trailer near Dixie were Syn, a black cat with six kittens; Tanya, a Great Dane who sat on the roof of any car parked outside; one indefatigable hamster and a tank of fish. And there was a piano on which he played Grieg's Morning Suite, a record player, lots of books and a surprising number of visitors. People loved spending time with Bill who could converse intelligently on almost any subject. As the song goes, “I've seen sunny days that I thought would never end... but I always thought I'd see you again.”  
--Iris Dominey Poteet

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**Iris Poteet** - September 03, 2019 at 06:16 PM



“Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. William O. Stewart Jr..



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September 03, 2019 at 06:29 AM

NZ

“ You have to admire a man that pursues his dreams. Nothing was going to stop him from being a priest. Patsy and I have great memories of his leading Worship on Water. We often talk about Father Bill and Sharon. There is not doubt that is flock is going to miss him. Father no longer suffers any pain. He is a place of comfort and peace. May his memory last forever.

*Nick and Patsy Zoumberis*

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**Nikitis Zoumberis Zoumberis** - September 02, 2019 at 12:39 PM

TF

“ The Fords lit a candle in memory of Rev. William O. Stewart Jr.



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**The Fords** - September 02, 2019 at 05:38 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss...you are in our thoughts and prayers...Ronnie and Vicki

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**The Fords** - September 02, 2019 at 05:37 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. William O. Stewart Jr..



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September 01, 2019 at 09:56 PM

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“ *Our prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Our hearts ache for the loss of Father Bill. He always had a hearty laugh and a tender heart. He will be missed. We love all of you. Danny and Betty Dupree*

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**Danny and Betty DuPree** - September 01, 2019 at 10:34 AM