



Mr. William Samuel Steplight

March 31, 1963 - April 11, 2017

William Samuel Steplight was born March 31, 1963 in Orlando, Florida to Arthur Steplight and Mary J. Steplight. He attended Tildenville Elementary, Lakeview Middle School and graduated from West Orange High School in 1981. William was a talented drummer and piano player. He played the drums throughout Middle and High School. William also played the piano for Sunday School and BTU at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church in Oakland, Florida where he accepted Christ at an early age.

William was a member of the R.O.T.C. in High School which lead to him joining the U.S. Army. His service to the Army was from 1982 - 1986 during this time he was stationed in Germany. After serving in the Army, William resided in Cleveland, Ohio. After many years in Ohio, he returned to his native home of Florida.

William had a love for cooking which lead him to attend and graduate from the culinary Arts Program at Westside Technical Center, Winter Garden, Florida. He also loved music and a nice pair of kicks, but the greatest love and respect he had was for his family and those he called his friends. William resided in Tampa from 1997 until the Lord called him home. While living in Tampa he was employed at James A. Haley Veterans Hospital where he was admired by all of his co-workers. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary J. Steplight and sister, Mary Ellen Steplight.

William leaves to cherish precious memories to his daughter, Chandi Steplight of Tampa, Florida; son, Avontae Steplight of Tampa, Florida; father, Arthur Steplight of Cleveland, Ohio; siblings, Sherrie Jackson (Thomas) of Winter Garden, Florida, Ray Sloan (Kat) of Orlando, Florida and Mark Steplight of Cleveland, Ohio; grandson, Treyvion Malik Williams of Tampa, Florida and granddaughter, Nevaeh Amari House of Tampa, Florida; aunts and uncles, Edna Massey of Oakland, Florida, Harold Steplight (Dell) of Bonaire, Georgia and Charlie B. Ford (Shirley) of Miami, Florida; nieces, Valerie Sims-Morgan (Andrew), Mariel Jackson (Juan), Zyria Williams; nephews, Kendrick Jackson (Andrea), Ja'mari Morgan, Tylar Morgan, Zacchaeus Williams, Zyrion Williams, Z'mir Orr; cousin, Rosalyn Jones; best friend, Jimmy Davis; a host of cousins, other relatives and sorrowing friends.

Cemetery Details

Oakland-Tildenville Cemetery, Inc.

16673 West Colonial Drive
Oakland, FL 34760

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 21. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Zanders Memorial Chapel
232 W. Michael Gladden Blvd.
Apopka, FL 32703
(407) 886-3388

Service

APR 22. 3:00 PM (ET)

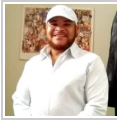
West Orlando Christian Center Church of God in Christ
1301 East Bay Street
Winter Garden, FL 34787

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William Samuel Steplight*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



Please give me a call my name is Fredrick D Turner my family is from Florida my grandmother Sadie may Steplight came to Cleveland Ohio 1930 her father Henry uncle's zedekiah and John my phone #216 417 9106 please help me find my family

Fredrickd Turner - January 15, 2024 at 02:02 PM



“ *My name is Eric Foster our station in Germany with step we will roommates and 24th s&s service company in Germany it was a real good friend I didn't know he passed away my condolences I was just thinking about him yesterday when I was driving through Cleveland on my way back home to Connecticut and I wanted to check up on him and I didn't know you passed away he will be surely missed I truly has a great soldier*

Eric Foster - January 04, 2021 at 02:20 PM



Yes he is truly missed I've heard a lot of his days in Germany I was with him for 20 some years and it seems like yesterday!!!

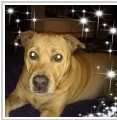
Debra Davidson Logan - March 28, 2023 at 12:06 AM

CS

“Daddy I miss you it's been a crazy year without you I still cry cause I know I will never be able to hear your voice I will be coming to see you soon I want to let you know I finally made it I graduate soon I'm taking up medical I love you daddy me and your grand kids

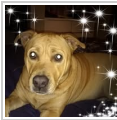


chandi steplight - April 09, 2019 at 06:44 PM



William I miss you every day of my life 💔!! It's been hell on earth since you left me and Bella always keep you close at ❤️ as u no u are watching after me! All my love till I see you again! Always and forever 💕

Debbie Logan - August 25, 2019 at 08:20 PM



William just felt like talking to you me and Bell feeling lonely as always but know I am always thinking of you and always will love you forever and always just listened to some Isley Brothers really hit home! I know you are watching over us and we are fine! We are with Selina!! We're safe

Debbie Logan - November 22, 2019 at 10:46 PM



William there is not a day that goes by that I don't think of where we would have been by now and how incredibly each it's the same thing I miss you so much 💔 it's like someone just took my soul and ripped it out and I can't and don't want to move on! But I'm ok as it can be with our memories we have to hold on to !!! Until we see each other again!! All my love forever 💕🥰🥰🥰 I miss you so much ❤️! Love u as always Debi

Debbie Logan - January 31, 2020 at 12:29 AM

DL

Babe it's supposed to get easier well that it has not !! But i know you are healthy and happy so for what it's worth it definitely does help but to not have you here everyday it's just not the same and never will be!! I love you and always will we are ok and just know until we meet again it won't be the same!!! Love you forever!!Deb&Bella

Debbie Davidson Logan - April 19, 2021 at 12:28 AM

CS

Don't write under nothing that I post on here of my daddy you know what it was that's highly disrespectful knowing you don't like me but keep writing under my stuff you are very weird and I don't care how nobody feel do not write under my stuff make your own comment and not under nothing that I post good day

chandi steplight - January 21, 2022 at 02:37 PM

DL

To my Babe it's another Christmas that we can't spend together!! You are always and forever will be in my thoughts ❤️❤️❤️ I was so lucky to have met you and I carry it in my heart every day!! I love you and have since the day we got together and will hold you in my heart ❤️💜❤️ till we see each other again!! Bella still remembers you !!! Love forever and ever!!

Debra Logan - December 16, 2022 at 01:20 AM

DL

Happy birthday honey ,if you could only be here to spend it!!! I love you and will never stop!!

Debra Davidson Logan - March 31, 2023 at 07:19 PM

CD

“ Pray Gods Strength & Comfort to his family & all who loved & knew William aka "Step".
Prayer changes things. Look to God!



Charlene Diaz-Williams - April 25, 2017 at 08:52 PM

CH

Hi Charline how have you been , Thanks so much for all your support , that you gave me and William with our Beautiful Daughter , I really appreciate all you have done and all the times you were there . Thanks

Love always Dina

Chedinia - March 22, 2022 at 04:00 PM

CD

“ Met William "Step" as a patient in JAH-VA after he came to Tampa & before he was hired there. We remained friends. I remember when Chandi was born and used to keep her. Hearing this news brings a heavy heart. But I trust God in all things. Farewell my friend, God Rest your Soul til Jesus returns. Luvya4LifeStep

Charlene Diaz-Williams - April 25, 2017 at 08:46 PM

DL

I met his family (daughter) when Chandi was very young and she would come to our house and we would have a great time! He loved spending time with her as well as I and my family.

Debra Davidson Logan - March 28, 2023 at 12:12 AM

MO

“ I'm truly sorry for your list, it's taking me some time to adjust to news about Sammy, seems like yesterday we had a conversation about keeping in touch with one another. I'm going to miss you Sam RIP my friend.



Molina - April 22, 2017 at 09:42 AM



“ *Sammie Steplight, as I reminisce of our days as classmates and band members I am truly saddened. You will be truly missed. May the good Lord bless your family.. Morris Ellison and Family*

Morris Ellison - April 21, 2017 at 08:13 PM



“ *Lois Morss lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Samuel Steplight*



Lois Morss - April 21, 2017 at 06:14 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the Steplight Family. Steplight I enjoyed your humorous conversations at work. May you rest peacefully in His house.*

Robbie - April 21, 2017 at 02:28 AM



“ *I can't believe I'm writing this on your obituary it Was just like yesterday u were fine and healthy ! God needed an angel and he picked u I wish I knew why all I do know is the 20 yrs we had together were the best in my life and i no u r not sick any more and that's what matters the most! I miss u every hr of the day it's so hard to go on with out u but God will be there to help me .To Sherrie and ur family I no how bad u have to be hurting rt now but untill we see each other again I will always hold u in my heart and soul as I always have.Rip and i will no I u soon your wife forever Love to u Debi*

Debra logan - April 20, 2017 at 05:16 AM

DL

You are always on my mind but today I open my phone to call Lisa and here is your memories from your friends I no when your thoughts are with me there is always a sign!! You are always in my thoughts and forever in my heart! The days do not get easier no matter what people say but I know u would expect me to be strong so I try it's so hard though but at least in my heart I no you are always there thinking as I am of each other!!!! I love and miss you so much forever yours Deb

Debra Logan - July 22, 2017 at 01:18 PM

DD

William I am always aware of course of when your birthday rolls around cause I can always feel your presence it's like you are here for real and I'll take that any day.It truly doesn't get any easier just knowing you are healthy and happy makes me happy for you.Until we meet again always in my thoughts and forever forever in my heart ❤️ I love you Debi.

Debbie Davidson - April 11, 2022 at 01:46 AM

DD

William thinking of you so much lately!!! I will love and miss you forever!!! I always feel your presence when I need you the most!! Love forever in my heart waiting to see you again!!! Forever Debbie

Debbie Davidson - September 05, 2022 at 01:26 AM

DD

William it's late just thinking of you tonight more so than ever!!! Love and miss you so much!! But we will be together again!! I love and miss you like it was yesterday. The worst day of my life!!! I love you!! Debbie

Debbie Davidson - October 19, 2022 at 12:14 AM

DL

Hey babe it's almost your birthday,how I wish (every day) that you were here! I love you and will always thinking of you ❤️. We did have the perfect life well most of the time!!! I love and miss you so much!!!

Debra Davidson Logan - March 28, 2023 at 12:23 AM

DL

Bella still knows who her daddy is she just looks at me like where is he??

Debra Davidson Logan - March 28, 2023 at 12:26 AM

DL

As the years roll by it doesn't get any easier,I miss you like you were taken away yesterday!! Love and miss you so much 💕😭!!!

Debbie Davidson Logan - April 11, 2023 at 11:18 PM

JD

“ *JIMMY DAVIS purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Mr. William Samuel Steplight.*



JIMMY DAVIS - April 19, 2017 at 10:20 AM

RB

“ *Raymond Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. William Samuel Steplight*



Raymond Brown - April 15, 2017 at 11:08 PM

RB

“ *Raymond Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Samuel Steplight*



Raymond Brown - April 15, 2017 at 11:06 PM

RB

“ *Sammie you were like family to me and you will not be forgotten!!*
RAY BROWN

Raymond Brown - April 15, 2017 at 11:03 PM