



## Stephen Davis

December 28, 1956 - August 23, 2012

Born December 28, 1956 in Omaha, NE, and entered into rest on August 23, 2012 in Fremont at the age of 55. Devoted husband of 12 years to Shirley Davis. Beloved step-father of Laurina Wong. Cherished brother of Lynn Evans, Carolyn Sanderford and her husband John, and Reed Davis, III. Loving uncle to David Evans, Christine Dolan and her husband Robert, and Katie Evans. Predeceased by his sisters Christine Davis and Sara Davis, and his brother James Davis.

Steve was a true citizen of the world, someone who opened his arms to life. And the world opened its arms right back. He had so many interests: writing and journalism, computers and systems engineering, politics (especially the radical kind!), spiritualism, music and travel. He had a great sense of humor, a sometimes-quirky, often-profound way of looking at the world. He was always reading, he worked hard and he loved being called on to answer "technical" questions. But mostly he was just a really great guy: a good friend, a wonderful brother and uncle, a loving husband and stepdad. And always a whole lot of fun.

We're going to miss our Steve so much.

Visitation will be held on Friday, August 31, from 4-8pm with a chapel service at 5pm at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536.

Following are four of the charities to which Steve gave and/or which can be given to in his memory:

Wat Buddhanusorn or another temple that supports the Buddhist philosophy.

KPFA or another community supported radio station.

Cancer Research Institute or another quality, vetted cancer charity.

Hepatitis Foundation International or another quality, vetted hepatitis charity.

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ Steve was a kind loving man. He was so intelligent that it was scary. He loved to read and listen to music. We traveled to a lot of places and I was there to comfort him in time of need and vice versa. I am so heart broken to know that Steve has left this world so young. I just hope and pray that he is happy in his new home. It seems to me that he was very happy with his life before his untimely passing. We were married for 7 years and I will always treasure our time together. Love Jackie

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**Jackie Davis Rodrigues** - October 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Agent steb was a nick name. Cowboy steb was too. We just couldn't spell his name right. LOL I loved his vivacious sense of humor. I will miss his philosophy lessons via world finance and poker. Peace to you Steb. Peace to your family. On to the next.

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**jacque** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Steb--Steve--was kind, gentle and so bitingly funny (especially about political matters) that he at times made me laugh so hard I had tears rolling down my face. He had this enormous intellect packaged in the curiosity of a child. I truly have never known anyone like him. He was a treasure.

*My heart goes out to Shirley and Lorena and all of his family.*

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**Sharon** - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ For almost as long as I can remember, Steve was my younger brother. How can a person be so here and then be so gone?

Anyway, I wanted to include something here that he wrote in one of his journals, in (I think) February 2011:

*"The bigger and more cursive my writing, the more my writing becomes a dance from the view of an outsider, the more I become one with the pen, paper and words, the better meditation the meditation is. Meditate brother! Make love to your pen and paper, write a love song for Shirley. The smell of carrot cake frying up in the morning, the kitchen heat and warmth of another person in my life. The healthy taste of vegetable soup, vitamin rich and with maybe ginseng and ginger and some dried scallions or onions. The smell of my wife and I on the bed with our two dogs and cat, all heading into the night. It's the year of the rabbit and moon is gone. They shouldn't call it a new moon I tell my wife. They should call it a 'no' moon. She listens to my worn-out joke, the one only she has heard."*

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Lynn - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ I have so many memories of my brother Steve. Some of the most vivid are of hikes we took together. The three pictures of Steve in a red shirt in the Photo Gallery are of the one hike we took at Henry W. Coe State Park. I remember that it was Steve who suggested we hike at the park and the pictures were taken with his camera. We hiked to a place called "Poverty Flat". It was around there that Steve told me what he was doing to help someone. I remember being very impressed. Steve had a big heart as well as being very intelligent. We hiked on to Frog Lake and it was getting dark when we got back to the parking lot. Steve will be sorely missed but he will be very well remembered.

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Reed - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Steve and I were compadres on a website for over 12 yrs. We never met face to face, but we were friends...real friends. He made me laugh and he made me think. This is a man who should have lived forever and in many hearts, he will.

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**Linda Gunn** - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Steve was the first colleague I met at my first job in this country. He never hesitated to show me the How-To's I needed to know. At lunch with him felt like dining with my family. We haven't see each other in the past few years but he is always in my mind, and will for ever.

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**Tieniu Li** - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I worked with Steve back in Diamond Multimedia. I remember him as being cool, soft spoken and always in good spirits. He was intelligent, kind and easygoing. I ran into him after Diamond Multimedia and went hiking with him several times in different parts of bay area.

*My deepest condolences to his family.*

*Rest in peace my friend.*

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**Ali Safari** - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Steve was a very kind and funny man. He will be missed. You have my deepest sympathies.

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**Marty Crump** - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ As I knew him, 'Steb' was exactly as he is described here - a citizen of the world, a wonderful, ever-seeking and caring guy. I have no brothers, but told him that in my own mind, he was the brother I never had, the one I'd want to have. Much loved, much missed - and much remembered. Love to all the family and to those who will continue to feel his presence for many years to come.

Carol

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**Carol Perryman** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ My deepest condolences to Steve's family. I am so sorry for your loss. Steve was a unique, brilliant, kind and very funny man, and I had so much respect and admiration for him. We knew each other through an on-line quit smoking community (since 2001). Although I never got to meet Steve in person, I feel as though I've lost a good friend. The world is diminished by his leaving. peace, cowboy steb, my friend. ~ onion (from Nova Scotia, Canada)

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**Elizabeth Baxter** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Steve was one of my online quit-smoking buddies for around 11 years. He was such a kind, supportive, funny, earnest, special person. The world is a lesser place without his humor, intelligence and kindness.

*Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of Steve. I'll be thinking of all of you and sending healing thoughts to you in the days ahead.*

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**Catherine Smith** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I am Stephen's younger sister. We used to play with each other as children. I remember when we lived in Atlanta, GA and I would talk him into playing house with me. I had a cardboard kitchen in the family room. He was so sweet and would play along for a while. Then he would decide he had to go to work. So he would pack up one of our father's briefcases with paper and go to "work". However, he never came back "home"! He was a great brother and we remained close his entire life long. I have so many good memories of him. I am writing about him now in my journal. Love you forever Stephen. Your sister, Carolyn.

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**Carolyn Sue** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Steve was a gentle and cool guy. He truly cared about the "little guy". He will be missed, though I never met him except on the internet on "oz" I really liked him and trusted him.

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**Claudia** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ My most sincere condolences to Shirley and Laurina. We were blessed to have Steve in our lives. He always spoke highly of his family and it's awful that he had to leave us so soon. I loved his humor and sense of simplicity. He was an honorable and gentle person.

Thank you for sharing Steb with all of his online friends. He was one of my first online friends back at the Quitnet in 1999 and I'll never forget him.

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**Debbie Simpson** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Steb was flat-out, hands-down the best. Poker, economics, music, humor, life...I am blessed and ever so grateful he shared those experiences and that knowledge and so much more with me and everybody he crossed paths with. I will always carry a part of SteveWonder with me.

He loved his family most of all--we know because he never let us forget. He made the world a better place, and I love him.

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**Micool J. Donkey** - September 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Uncle Steve will be incredibly missed. My favorite memory of him is when he took me to San Francisco as a teenager... we visited downtown San Francisco and took some pictures with some punk rockers, it was a blast... One of my favorite memories.

Love you always Uncle Steve,

Christine

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**Christine** - September 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM