



## Stephen Eugene Ratcliff

February 17, 1953 - April 15, 2016

Stephen Eugene Ratcliff, age 63, of Versailles, passed away Friday, April 15, 2016, at his home. He was born February 17, 1953, in Kansas City, Kansas, the son of James Lee Ratcliff and Jane Ann Heider.

He was a United States Navy veteran having served in Vietnam.

Stephen was previously employed at the Gates Corporation in Versailles. He owned and operated Ratcliff Excavating for several years.

Some of his favorite hobbies included, horseback riding, especially when he could ride in parades, hunting, fishing, barrel racing in rodeos throughout Missouri, mushroom hunting and making his own moonshine.

He is survived by his daughters, Stephanie Burkeen of Overland Park, Kansas and Shauna Patton and husband Mike of Versailles; son, Chad Porter and wife Candi of Jasper, Missouri; seven grandchildren, Sid Burkeen, Addy Burkeen, Montana Graham, Alivia Patton, Garrett Patton, Leslie Porter and Gabe Porter; his sisters, Julie and Cheryl; his best friend, Mike Goodloe of Odessa, Missouri and many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, James Ratcliff, his mother, Jane Pauls and his sister, Nancy.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 Noon, Saturday, April 23rd, at the Versailles Calvary Baptist Church with Dr. Bill Johnson officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, Saturday, at the church. Inurnment will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions are suggested to Versailles Saddle and Sirloin Club.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **23**. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Calvary Baptist Church  
10485 Missouri 52  
Versailles, MO 65084

## Service

APR **23**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *One of the best people and friend I ever had a chance to meet and be friends with*



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**Richard on P Road** - April 18, 2017 at 09:44 AM

MB

“ *Michael Bardwell lit a candle in memory of Stephen Eugene Ratcliff*



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**michael bardwell** - April 20, 2016 at 01:12 PM

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“ *Cheryl Ratcliff lit a candle in memory of Stephen Eugene Ratcliff*



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**Cheryl Ratcliff** - April 20, 2016 at 11:42 AM

 Julie Durham

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Julie Durham** - April 20, 2016 at 10:46 AM

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“ *Terri Paustian lit a candle in memory of Stephen Eugene Ratcliff*



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**terri paustian** - April 20, 2016 at 07:26 AM

 Julie Durham

“ *Julie Durham lit a candle in memory of Stephen Eugene Ratcliff*



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**Julie Durham** - April 20, 2016 at 05:06 AM

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“ *I knew Steve when we went to Frank Rustom and Rosedale. He is my best friend. After he moved to Eldon we spoke on the phone and occasionally hunted together. He was always there when I needed him. Without his encouragement I probably wouldn't have finished college. His mother Jane was also very kind to me. RIP cowboy.*

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**Fred A Westermeyer** - April 18, 2016 at 07:41 PM