



Steven F. Zdep DDS

December 5, 1952 - November 6, 2020

An inspiration to all who knew and loved him, Steven F. Zdep DDS, 67, passed peacefully in the comforts of his loving home. Steven leaves a legacy of love, hard work, thoughtfulness, and resilience.

Steve was a proud graduate of CBA (1970), Le Moyne College (1974), and Georgetown University School of Dentistry (1978). He had high standards and strived for excellence in all he did. Steve was always a student and never stopped learning. He also loved to share knowledge in all aspects of his life.

The profession of dentistry was truly his gift. The time spent with his patients over the years was something he deeply enjoyed. He truly felt that the people he worked with and cared for were his extended family.

Steve was generous with his time and talents. Whether it be volunteering at church, coaching his sons' teams, teaching Dental Residents or whatever activity he was involved with he committed whole heartedly.

Steve was most proud of his family. He shared forty-six beautiful years of marriage with his wife, Judy. Being able to see his ten grandchildren grow gave him immense joy. He loved attending their activities, traveling, especially to Montana, spending time with his family and friends in nature at the lake, watching SU athletics and good food. He was a gifted craftsman that created solutions to any problem. He had the ability to live in the moment and appreciate life.

Our family extends deep gratitude to all who cared for Steve and are truly thankful to you for being his friend, a listening ear and amazing care providers.

The selfless courage, trust and love he showed his family and friends will never be forgotten. Those left to carry on Steve's legacy are his loving wife, Judy (Muolo) Zdep; three cherished children: Dr. Steven R. Zdep (Stacy), Lisa Pohlman (Jason) and Chris

Zdep (Meagan); his beloved grandchildren, Sara, Julie, Rachel, Kate, Alina, Clayton, Gracyn, Caleb, Aiden and Haley; his father, Frank Zdep (Edith 2016); sisters, Michelle Edgerton (Jack) and Cindy Ulrich (Bob); his nieces, nephews, mother-in-law, Mary Jo Muolo and many loved aunts, uncles, cousins, and lifelong friends he considered family.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers you may consider honoring Steve's commitment to faith and youth development by donating to youth ministry at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Baldwinsville or honor Steve's commitment to dentistry by donating to www.AmausDentalServices.com to provide dental care to the underprivileged in Syracuse.

Comments



“ Dear Judy, Dr. Steve, and family,

We just heard about the passing of Dr. Zdep and are heartbroken. A fighter and true gentleman to the end. I have thought of him and prayed for him often, even out here in Rochester. I am so sorry for your loss of such a great man.

God bless you all. We are keeping you all in our prayers.

Rosemary, Alan, Matt, and Nic Rainbow

Rosemary Rainbow - December 30, 2020 at 10:06 PM



“ Dear Judy,
So very sad to hear the heartbreaking news of your husband Steven's passing.

I wipe tears from my eyes, as I fondly remember Nicholas, Paula and your Dad. I also remember when you and Steve were blessed with your beautiful children: Steven, Lisa and Christopher.

Occasionally in life you meet very special people whose integrity, love and faith are genuine... like that of the Muolo and Zdep families.

Please give your Mom a hug from me. Judy, you and yours are in my prayers.

Heartfelt sympathy,
Marilyn (Tickner 5C) McNamara



Marilyn (Tickner) McNamara - December 05, 2020 at 06:06 PM



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Christina A Ciciarelli - November 25, 2020 at 07:19 PM



“ The Villani Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven F. Zdep DDS.



The Villani Family - November 21, 2020 at 12:20 PM



“ Cousins - Theresa Pursiano & Rosemary Polimeni purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Steven F. Zdep DDS.



Cousins - Theresa Pursiano & Rosemary Polimeni - November 19, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ Go rest high on that mountain . . .

You will be missed .

Suzanne Sharlow

Suzanne Sharlow - November 19, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ Many prayers to your family from your Paychex family.

Cindy Colgan - November 18, 2020 at 10:40 PM



“ Please accept the most heartfelt sympathies of Le Moyne College. We hope the love and memories you will forever hold in your heart bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

Le Moyne College - November 16, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ Our deepest condolences for your loss. We both felt that Steve was a fantastic dentist and we always looked forward to our appointments. I am going to miss the little chats I had with Steve while my wife was at her appointment. I am so proud to have known Steve. It's also a pleasure to be to become close to Judy and Dr.Steve. We will all miss him dearly.May he finally rest in peace. Sam and Florence DiPrima

Sam DiPrima - November 14, 2020 at 05:55 PM



“ We were so very sorry to hear of the passing of Dr Zdep. He was a kind and caring dentist and and even kinder human being. Words can't express our condolences to his family, friends, patients and staff.

Gretchen and Alan Johnson



Gretchen Johnson - November 14, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ It is with great sadness I hear this news. Dr. Zdep was a wonderful dentist. Having been a patient since my early teens Dr. Zdep had a kindness & disposition that was one-of-a kind. He was truly a master of his craft & I will miss his smile & gentle voice. God has gained an angel. Myself and my entire family express our sincere condolences to you all. Jean (Gentile) Linkiewicz

Jean (Gentile) Linkiewicz - November 12, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ One of the nicest guys you'd ever meet, a fellow CBA and LeMoyne alum. May the peace of Christ be with all his family.

Chris Welter - November 12, 2020 at 03:19 PM



“ It is a rare privilege to know someone like Dr. Steve. His knowledge, practical approach, and ability to see the whole picture when assessing patients' dental needs were always an inspiration to those in attendance at the monthly Upstate Dental Residency meetings. He also was not shy in letting me know that I needed to be a more active dental attending with the residents training at Upstate's GPR program. I am grateful for that admonishment; since he taught me as well as the residents (and likely the other attendings) every time he added his perspective to the treatment plans being discussed. He also continued his contributions to the program right up to his last days. Thank you Steve for your contributions, your knowledge, and your exemplary example for us all. You will sorely be missed!
With sympathy and prayers for your wonderful family, and the reassurance that you are in a better place now.

Scott Dillingham, DDS

Scott Dillingham - November 11, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ Dear Zdep Family,

How blessed you are as a family to have had such a great man as your husband, father, and grandfather. It is also a blessing to see his work and love flow down into his family.

I was privileged to know the Zdep family at Immaculate Conception School. I got to meet his granddaughters, and daughter in law, Stacy, and the kindness, caring, and compassion that this family shared with the IC Community. How proud you must be to know that your grandpa had such influence on your character and integrity.

As a fellow CBA Brother, my husband Paul also remembers with fond memories those days he and Steve spent at CBA. As a LeMoyne grad, I remember Steve and Judy as the perfect couple who had great intelligence and a great future ahead of them.

We send our heartfelt sympathies, and prayers for comfort and peace as you move forward. His legacy shines on in all of you.

Paul and Brenda Reichert

Brenda Reichert - November 11, 2020 at 01:49 PM



“ I remember Stephen when we took karate this is way before his parents had to become my neighbor for 30 years his love and devotion to his family was his number one priority and thankfully God gave him a tiger wife that never ever gave up on him my prayers are with Judy and her children may they find comfort in knowing he is in a better place

anne proppr - November 11, 2020 at 07:26 AM



“ Steve has left us with an indelible message about how to live a life with dignity and grace despite terrible circumstances. Thank you for showing us all the true meaning of courage and class. Sharon and Robert Storrier

Sharon and Robert Storrier - November 10, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ My deepest condolences to the Zdep family and also to the staff. I am a long time patient of their practice. Dr. Zdep always made you feel relaxed with him and was such a nice and caring person. May your happy memories of him bring you comfort.

Cheryl Dexter - November 10, 2020 at 06:33 PM



“ The BonaDent Team and The Bonafiglia family were blessed to have grown up with Sr.. A dentist who put ethics and kindness before anything else. A teacher we were blessed to know and a friend we were grateful to have. A proud father, devoted husband and unrelenting perfectionist! We feel so grateful to have known Steve and we wish him a swift and well deserved trip to heaven! Truly sorry for the entire family.

Bruce H. Bonafiglia

Bruce H. Bonafiglia - November 10, 2020 at 04:08 PM



“ Steve was truly one of THE nicest people! Our condolences to Judy and the entire Zdep family. Cherish the memories of a really nice guy. May your thoughts and memories of him always bring a smile to your face.
We were blessed to know him,
Tammy & Ed Kiesa

Ed Kiesa - November 10, 2020 at 03:55 PM



“ To Judy, Dr. Steve, and all family members,
We pray you find peace in the memories shared here and, especially, through the memories you created together as a family.
Dr. Zdep's wonderful legacy will be celebrated for years to come when each one of his patients smiles.
With sympathy and in friendship,
Dr. Gladys L. Cleland
Mr. Michael J. Cleland



Dr Gladys L Cleland - November 10, 2020 at 03:16 PM



“ Hey Steve, from your 164 brothers still remaining from the C.B.A. Class of 1970, and all the guys you kept entertained during our Junior Summer trip to France-- instead of going to Woodstock and partying with Jimi Hendrix and Santana, we love you, we pray for you and we'll miss the heck out of you at our 51st Reunion.

Here's to you, Bro, and we'll see you when Jesus returns!!

Dennis Tracy & C.B.A. Class of 1970

Dennis Tracy - November 11, 2020 at 12:28 PM



“ My DEEPEST of sympathies to Judy and ALL of Steve's family. This is a HUGE loss. He was so talented and so much a person that I admired. My prayers for all of you that the many good memories will stay strong forever. Jim Terrinoni

Jim Terrinoni - November 10, 2020 at 11:46 AM



“ To Judy and the Zdep family,
Dr. Steve was one of the nicest people I know. Always with a ready smile. His dental work for me was always first class and I will always remember him as the gentleman he was. My sincerest condolences at this difficult time and best wishes for the future.
Bill Winnewisser

Bill Winnewisser - November 10, 2020 at 11:18 AM



“ It is was honor to know such a intelligent man and a shame to have been take so soon. Will be missed by so many.



caroline kowalewski - November 10, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ I was shocked to read of Dr. Steven's death...he was a friend from grade school and CBA class of 1970--I remember years ago making my first airplane trip with Steve and his family to Florida to attend a Tupperware Convention...it was very kind of him to invite me on that trip and I have many memories from that time...my sincerest condolences to his wife and family at this very difficult time. Mickey Flanagan, Mountain Grove, MO CBA class of 1970

Mickey Flanagan - November 10, 2020 at 10:37 AM



“ Dearest Judy and family,
My heartfelt sympathy as you mourn this extraordinary man. His kind smile, words of encouragement and gentle leadership were unmatched. There is not enough room here to express the impact Dr. Z has had on my career.
Sending you much love today and always.
Betsy Bray and family



Elizabeth Bray - November 10, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ I was so sorry to read of your loss Judy and family. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Your TCS Sisters are always here for you
Kerry Nabinger Diliberto.

Kerry Diliberto - November 10, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ Dave Wickes lit a candle in memory of Steven F. Zdep DDS



Dave Wickes - November 10, 2020 at 09:24 AM



“ Doctor Zdep was the most caring dentist that I had the pleasure of working on Me. God speed sir you will surely be missed.

Jon Proctor - November 10, 2020 at 08:40 AM



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Jon Proctor - November 10, 2020 at 08:36 AM