



Dave Stevens

August 22, 1959 - October 9, 2025

CAMP CREEK - A man of faith, kind, gentle, humble, compassionate, and loving to all, met his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on October 9, 2025 – free from pain! Thomas David Stevens Jr, Dave, Dad, Papa, started his beautiful journey of life in Pineville, WV, born to his Godly and devoted parents Tom and Joyce (deceased February 2025) Stevens.

Dave grew up with his beloved sister Ginny (husband Rick, daughter Letisha) loved riding his bike, playing baseball, basketball, and football while making friends that lasted a lifetime at Pineville High School. He learned the value of hard work through helping his dad at his auto parts store, mowing lawns, and working for the gas company. While pursuing his Bachelor of Social Work degree, he met and later married his first love, Sara Bailey Stevens (deceased August 2013). Together, they had a beautiful life of love and laughter while raising their six precious children Bethany (husband Josh), Caleb, Luke (wife Lauren), Jesse (wife Rhian), Hannah (husband Ramon), and Libby (husband Kyle). Dave worked diligently in state child protective services, state probation, and finally as a deputy chief federal probation officer. He retired early from a successful career to care for his soulmate Sara and deliver her into the arms of Jesus. He grieved that loss many years until God healed his heart when He brought him his second love, Tammy Lilly, who had also lost her spouse. God graciously, lovingly, and perfectly blended two hurting families when He added two more siblings Kelley (Rob) and Kaleb (wife

Carrie). Tammy was Dave's second soulmate for eight beautiful years. Together they traveled, welcomed many grandchildren, and served Jesus and others selflessly. Dave loved the Lord first and then he fiercely loved his family. He treasured his 16 grandchildren Jackson, Bailey, Lincoln, Hudson, Boston, Colton, Roman, Judah, Piper, Silas, Calan, Emerson, Ariyah, Gianna, Cadrian, and baby Sara to be born February 2026. Dave lived his life for Jesus. He fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. Friday, October 17, 2025 at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with his son, Luke Stevens, officiating. Interment will follow at the Pisgah Cemetery in Princeton.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bowers Hospice House at www.hospiceofsouthernwv.org.

The family will receive friends Friday, October 17, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. until service hour at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.bailey-kirk.com.

Cemetery Details

Pisgah Community Church Cemetery

Pisgah Road
Princeton, WV 24740

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home
1612 Honaker Avenue
Princeton, WV 24740
(304) 425-8176
info@bailey-kirk.com
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

Funeral Service

OCT 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DT

“ For almost two decades, we visited Mr. Stevens and his family to find the perfect Christmas tree. Every year, we ended up with more tree than any sane person would actually need. Mr. Stevens would only chuckle as he and his crew would help us load the Griswold tree onto our SUV. His spirit will stay in my family's hearts--and those of hundreds if not thousands of other families-- each holiday season. May his memory be a blessing.

Derek Teaney - November 01, 2025 at 01:23 PM

GT

“ The Yagel family is sad to hear the news about Dave. He was a kind, gentle soul . He will be missed by the Christmas tree growers. I wonder what mischief Dave, Art Yagel, and ken Sales are up to. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May our Father comfort you and give you His peace beyond all understanding. Gail, Yagel Poor Farm.

Gail Thomas - October 22, 2025 at 06:28 PM

PD

“ MY thoughts and prayers are with at the sad time, Dave was a wonderful man who served his fellowman and his God. A life well lived. Patricia Day

Patricia B Day - October 17, 2025 at 02:06 PM

JE

“ So many amazing memories of this wonderful man of God who led with such grace and patience. My heart breaks for the family that he loves so much. Praying for you all, now and always.

Jennifer - October 17, 2025 at 10:26 AM

R(

“ Ron & Tillie Fowler (WVCTGA) lit a candle in memory of Dave Stevens



Ron & Tillie Fowler (WVCTGA) - October 17, 2025 at 07:29 AM

KC

“ Kimberly and Jemall Chester purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dave Stevens.



Kimberly and Jemall Chester - October 16, 2025 at 09:57 AM

KC

“ Kimberly and Jemall Chester planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.

Kimberly and Jemall Chester - October 16, 2025 at 09:57 AM

CK

“ My prayers are with you as you grieve the loss of such a wonderful father. I have so many fond memories of our families enjoying time together as we homeschooled our children. Dave was a man of faith and compassion. What a marvelous legacy. Much love, Cheryl Kerr

Cheryl Kerr - October 16, 2025 at 08:13 AM

AB

“ Dave & I worked together in Beckley at the US Probation Office. He was a wonderful & kind teacher, plus friend to me. Prayers for his family.

Amy Berry - October 15, 2025 at 12:03 PM

CB

“ Camp Highroad , Staff and Board planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.

Camp Highroad , Staff and Board - October 15, 2025 at 10:26 AM

CB

“ Camp Highroad , Staff and Board purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dave Stevens.



Camp Highroad , Staff and Board - October 15, 2025 at 10:26 AM

AQ

“ Alex, Sarah, Wes, Kenzie and Q planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.

Alex, Sarah, Wes, Kenzie and Q - October 15, 2025 at 07:33 AM

AQ

“ Alex, Sarah, Wes, Kenzie and Q purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dave Stevens.



Alex, Sarah, Wes, Kenzie and Q - October 15, 2025 at 07:33 AM

RS

“ Dave Stevens was one of the finest men I've ever known as I worked for him and with him in United States Probation. He was a man of the highest integrity with an unswerving and unfaltering devotion to God, family, and country. Praying God's peace and comfort for the entire family in this difficult season of life.

Rev. Dr. Greg Swisher - October 14, 2025 at 10:57 PM

TE

“ Dave was one of the best. He was a man of faith, he had a great work ethic and he was loyal to a fault. Dave supported me as chief probation officer when he should have had the position. Dave was a friend and supporter. I owe a lot to Dave for what success I had in the probation office. He was a great person. Ted Philyaw.



Ted - October 14, 2025 at 07:53 PM

AP

“ Alex Alvarez and U.S. Probation planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.

Alex Alvarez and U.S. Probation - October 14, 2025 at 03:39 PM

AP

“ Alex Alvarez and U.S. Probation purchased the *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* for the family of Dave Stevens.



Alex Alvarez and U.S. Probation - October 14, 2025 at 03:39 PM

TF

“ The Hiroko Brock, & family purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Dave Stevens.



The Hiroko Brock, & family - October 14, 2025 at 01:26 PM

AF

“ Aunt Ruthie, Libby, Becky and families purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Dave Stevens.



Aunt Ruthie, Libby, Becky and families - October 14, 2025 at 12:13 PM

TV

“ the staff of the SBC of Virginia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.

the staff of the SBC of Virginia - October 13, 2025 at 02:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dave Stevens.*



October 13, 2025 at 02:46 PM



“ *To the family of Dave Stevens; he was one of the most honorable, kind, and humble gentleman I have ever known. I worked with Dave at the Courthouse while he was working in the Mercer Co Probation Office. Dave was always the same, whatever stress he was trying to handle; always patient and willing to go that extra bit to make a difference. He was a Godly man and I know he loved his Lord. I know his family knows this, but I had to commit as an outside friend. God be with you as you grieve him. Our loss is Heavens gain.*

Brenda Davis - October 12, 2025 at 10:32 PM



“ *Gayle & Arthur and the church family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Stevens.*

Gayle & Arthur and the church family - October 12, 2025 at 06:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dave Stevens.*



October 12, 2025 at 06:44 PM

JM

“ *John and Donna Moore purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dave Stevens.*



John and Donna Moore - October 12, 2025 at 04:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dave Stevens.*



October 12, 2025 at 04:13 PM

DC

“ *Debbie, Jennifer, June, Sandy, Cecilia purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dave Stevens.*



Debbie, Jennifer, June, Sandy, Cecilia - October 12, 2025 at 03:56 PM

CM

“ My heart hurts for the loss of this kind and caring man. Our family enjoyed spending time with Dave and Sarah as we home schooled our children together. My favorite memory of Dave was seeing him drive a horse trailer to the entrance of a nice hotel in Knoxville with a castle in the trailer. It was a weekend of fun and laughter as we watched our children compete in the DI Global challenges. My prayer and love are with you as you grieve the loss of this wonderful man. Cathye Mahood

Cathye Mahood - October 12, 2025 at 01:52 PM

JL

“ James and Debby Lucy purchased the Serene R retreat for the family of Dave Stevens.



James and Debby Lucy - October 11, 2025 at 05:35 PM

DC

“ Earth has lost a precious man of God. We were proud to call him friend. We will see him again in Heaven. Love and sympathy to all of his beautiful family.

deborah clark - October 11, 2025 at 03:42 PM

MR

“ Tammy and all of the beautiful family, My thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you as you navigate through each tomorrow. I am so very sorry for your loss.



Mandy Redden - October 11, 2025 at 02:54 PM

DK

“ Rest in Peace, Dave. We began working together in CPS in 1982 and then followed one another into federal probation, for 20 years. Integrity and respect, always.

Danny Kuhn - October 11, 2025 at 02:30 PM

JS

“ Jeff Growe Sr. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dave Stevens.



Jeff Growe Sr. - October 11, 2025 at 01:48 PM

GP

“ Watching Dave care for Gene Bailey all those years with such love and affection and tenderness said so much about him as a man. It was a lesson for us all. God bless Dave and his family in this sorrowful time. May our Lord bless and keep Dave, may He make His countenance to shine upon Dave, and may our Lord grant Dave eternal rest and peace.

Greg Prudich - October 11, 2025 at 01:46 PM

MI

So sorry for the families loss...Prayers for all...So sorry Ginny for the loss of your Brother...

MichaelFatony - October 11, 2025 at 03:47 PM

JS

“ Such a soft spoken, easy going guy to grow up with. Never had a bad word to say about anyone I'll miss ya friend your in good hands now. Love Jeff

Jeff Growe Sr. - October 11, 2025 at 01:34 PM

DA

“ *I grew up in Pineville and went to school with David. I remember how sweet and kind he was. My condolences to his family.* ”

Donese "Frye" Anderson - October 11, 2025 at 12:27 PM