



## Steven Lamar Starns

July 17, 1975 - December 18, 2025

With heavy hearts, we announce the unexpected passing of Steven Lamar Starns, who departed this world on December 18, 2025, at the age of 50 in Lawrenceburg, TN. Born on July 17, 1975, in San Francisco, California, Steven was a beloved son, brother, and friend whose light touched the lives of many.

Steven was raised in a military family, which instilled in him a strong sense of duty and discipline. He was the oldest of three children, and after completing his high school education in Washington State, he proudly enlisted in the United States Army on February 12, 1993. As a paratrooper in the esteemed 82nd Airborne Division, he exemplified courage and dedication during his service, which concluded in the reserves on August 18, 2000..

After his time in the Army, Steven pursued his passion for cooking, becoming a gifted chef and a devoted understudy to several renowned chefs at the Mansion at Turtle Creek in Dallas, Texas. His resume including catering for many notable customers in Dallas, including the Jerry Jones family. His culinary skills shone brightly when he accepted the position as Head of the Cafeteria in Lovington, NM, where he transformed the establishment into one of the community's best places to eat, delighting patrons with his innovative dishes and warm hospitality. Then he moved to Lawrenceburg, TN where he met the love of his life.

Steven was not only a talented chef but also a loving family man. He is survived by his mother, Hilda Garcia Coffee and her spouse Edward Coffee; his sisters, Angela Coffee and Kelly Starns Marr, his brother, Christopher Coffee and several nieces and nephews. He was a devoted fiancé of Candice Wooten, eagerly looking forward to marrying the love of his life and embracing his role as a father figure to her children, Addy, Eli and Ella.

Outside his culinary pursuits, Steven found joy in fly fishing, going to movies, camping, and reveling in the great outdoors. He treasured the simple moments spent surrounded by nature and the laughter shared with family and friends. His message to his friends would be don't be sad, be strong, live life to the fullest, go fishing, and try new things.

His family finds comfort in their faith, knowing that Steven had just accepted his Salvation on September 16th of this year.

Family and friends are invited to gather for a public viewing at Guerrero Dean Funeral Home on December 30, 2025, from 6 to 8 PM to celebrate and pay their respects to a remarkable man whose spirit will forever live on in our hearts. a Funeral Service will take place at Guerrero Dean Funeral Home at 11:30 AM Wednesday, December 31, 2025 at Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home. A graveside service will follow at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery at 1:15 PM, where we will honor his memory and sacrifice.

As we say goodbye to Steven, let us remember him for his unwavering spirit, his zest for life, and the love he shared with those fortunate enough to have known him. His legacy will continue through the memories we hold dear and the lives he touched along the way.

Steven was preceded in death by his father, Lamar Starns



# Cemetery Details

## DFW National Cemetery

2000 Mountain Creek Parkway  
Dallas, TX 75211

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

DEC **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Guerrero Dean Funeral Home  
500 E. Main Street  
Grand Prairie, TX 75050

## Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Grand Prairie, TX 75050

## Graveside Service

DEC **31**. 1:15 PM - 1:45 PM.

DFW National Cemetery

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ Sandra G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven Lamar Starns.

Sandra G. - January 01 at 07:35 PM

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“ Aunt Tilly, Joe, and Sons purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Steven Lamar Starns.



Aunt Tilly, Joe, and Sons - December 30, 2025 at 11:26 AM

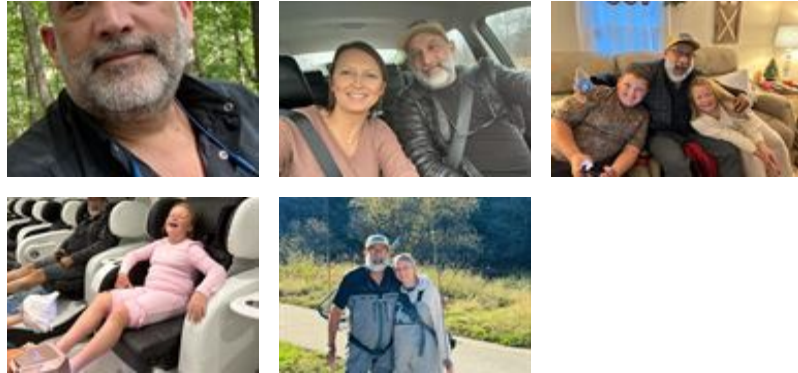
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“ 153 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home - December 30, 2025 at 11:18 AM

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“ *I never met Steve, but I've still felt the impact of his life through his family, especially Angela, and the mark that he has left behind. The way she talks about her brother says everything someone would ever need to know. There's pride in her voice, there's heartbreak, and there's a deep kind of love that doesn't fade just because someone isn't here in the same way anymore.*



*To his family and loved ones, you're in my thoughts. I hope you feel him in the quiet moments, in the memories that show up out of nowhere, and in the parts of your life he helped shape without even knowing it. His love is still here and his story will continue because of you.*

*Rest in Paradise, Steve.*

Ashley Brown - December 29, 2025 at 10:53 AM