



## Mr. Stephen M. Holt

March 31, 1951 - September 2, 2022

Stephen Monroe Holt passed away on the morning of September 2, 2022, from Alzheimer's disease at his home in Hernando, MS, in the care of his loving wife Carmela and caregiver, Erik.

Steve was born in Memphis, TN on March, 31, 1951, to Nancy Parker Holt and Roy Mack Holt. He was raised in Atlanta, GA and Mountain Brook, AL and attended Auburn University. He called Birmingham, AL his home and dedicated his career to education as a special education teacher with the Birmingham City School System. During his many years in the classroom at Woodlawn High School, Steve earned a Master's Degree in Education Administration and Supervision. He subsequently attained a position as Assistant Principal at Daniel Payne Middle School. After his service at Daniel Payne, Steve was appointed to be the Director of Special Education Transportation for the school system and after a few years was promoted to Director of Transportation for the Birmingham City School System.

Steve always had a desire for architecture. He filled his desire to design and build by continuing his education and achieving a certification in AutoCAD. However, instead of joining the industry, his desire to educate others propelled him to again enter the classroom as a drafting and AutoCAD instructor. Following several years as an AutoCAD instructor, he entered retirement with his loving wife and they moved to Pine Mountain, Georgia. Ultimately, Steve and Carmela found their way to Hernando, MS, where they were able to proudly watch their grandchildren grow and thrive.

Steve is survived by his wife of 44 years, Carmela DeCarlo Holt; his children John Allen and Andrea Freeze; and grandchildren Wesley and Carter Freeze. Steve is also survived by his brothers, Mack Holt(Margaret), Philip Holt(Mary); his sister Nancy Holt Black; and many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins. A casual memorial service celebrating Steve's life will be held at Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven (626 Star Landing Road East, Southaven, MS 38672) on Monday, September 12, 2022. Visitation will be held from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM with a brief service following at 10:30 AM. Friends are invited to stay to enjoy refreshments afterwards. Chaplain Eddie Randolph will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, Steve would have appreciated your kindness and remembrance through donations to Wesley Meadows Maddox House, 1325 McIngvale Road, Hernando, MS 38632.

Online condolences may be left on her Tribute Wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

SEP **12.** 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Stephen M. Holt



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - September 12, 2022 at 09:35 AM

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*Just what Stephen would have wanted! I love and miss you my beautiful husband.*

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**Carmela Holt** - February 11, 2024 at 07:02 PM

VJ

“ Carmella, We Are So Sorry For Your Loss. Steve Was A 1In A Million. He Will Foever Be Our "Pete". You Are In Our Thoughts. We Love You.  
*Vicky & Jeff Johnson*



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**Vicky & Jeff Johnson** - September 08, 2022 at 01:32 PM

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*Thank you, dear friends. He truly loved and appreciated you both as I do.*  
*Carmela*

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**Carmela Holt** - September 08, 2022 at 11:50 PM

CF

“ Steve enjoyed cars and motorcycles. Working as Director of Transportation, parents only called when they had a complaint. Steve was always calm and respectful as he attempted to resolve the problem. He always seemed to have a smile on his face.

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**Craig Funderburg** - September 07, 2022 at 10:37 PM

CH

Thank you, Craig. You have always been such a dear and trusted friend to both of us. I do appreciate the beautiful words as Steve would have.

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**Carmela Holt** - September 08, 2022 at 11:52 PM

LR

“ Sending prayers to you all during this time. Steve was a kind, soft spoken and funny guy. Always a good time when we got to visit. His love for his family was always there and he will be missed by so many. I hope the funny stories and many memories will be comforting. Love you all. Lisa

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**Lisa Richard** - September 07, 2022 at 04:49 PM