



Wendell Stewart

August 29, 1946 - July 5, 2022

Dr. Robert Wendell Stewart, Jr. was born August 29, 1946 to parents Dr. Robert Wendell Stewart and Dorothea Bumann Stewart, left this life July 5, 2022 after a 2 year battle with cancer. He grew up in Springfield, MO graduating from Parkview High School in 1964. He then went to Drury College and graduated with a degree in Biology in 1968. From there he went to the University of Missouri and received his Masters in Public Health in 1969 and then his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1974. He moved to Bolivar following graduation and began to practice that summer. He spent his entire career of 48 years in Bolivar and continued to practice until March of this year. Over this time he cared for thousands of large and small animals, building lasting relationships with so many clients. His last year was spent primarily doing work for Polk County Humane Society, family and friends.

He married Susan Allen in August of 1968 and to that union Geoff and Shelbey were born. Geoff and Shelbey were his pride and joy. He made every effort to make all of their sporting events and activities, and support them in all of their endeavors. He loved spending time at the lake and on family vacations with them.

He married Darwina on July 10, 1999 and they spent the duration of their marriage working and traveling together. They spent 24 hours a day together and loved every minute of it.

His second love was the beach and he spent as much free time as possible at the big red house he chose in Gulf Shores, AL fishing, boating and eating seafood.

He had a huge sense of adventure and loved to travel. Cruising the Caribbean, Mediterranean and Alaska and road trips out west to see the Grand Canyon.

He is survived by siblings Dr. James Brandt Stewart and his wife, Debbie (Pleasant Hope, MO) and their children Christy, Kevin and Mark. John Spencer Stewart and his wife Lori (Springfield, MO) and son, Peter. Kathleen Stewart O'Leary and husband Dan (Baton Rouge, LA) and their children Bryan, Jon and Meghan.

Son Geoff Stewart and wife Beth (Nevada, MO) and grandchildren Grady and Sophia. Daughter, Shelbey Stockton (Bolivar, MO) and grandchildren Conor and Evan.

Bonus children Meredith (deceased) and her children Keliegh, Kierra, and Kaiden. Marlaina Elkins and husband J.D (Quincy, MO) and children Aaliyah and Cameron. Mallory Hevalow and husband Travis (Humansville, MO) and children Meredith and Harlon.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Polk County Humane Society.

Services for Wendell will 2:00 PM Friday, July 8, 2022 at the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at the funeral home. Burial will take place in the Humansville Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside

JUL 8 (CT)

Humansville Cemetery
Humansville, MO 65674

Tribute Wall



“ *Wendell Stewart*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Wendell Stewart*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *My memories of Wendell go back over 50 years. He was my first love. I was so saddened to hear the news. My deepest sympathy goes to his family.*
Susy (Tillman) Schulz

Susy (Tillman) Schulz - July 09, 2022 at 08:54 PM



“ *On behalf the families of Mendel Williams, Dean & Marlene Chapman & Regina Williams. Thank you so much for sharing your care and concern for our livestock and beloved pets over the years. Condolences to the family. Doc Stewart was one of a kind. Connie Chainey (Williams).*

Connie - July 08, 2022 at 04:15 PM



“ *Darwin and kids,*
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Wendell was a very special friend over the years.

george Williams - July 08, 2022 at 02:23 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



July 07, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Angel, Jason, Ozzy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



Angel, Jason, Ozzy - July 07, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



July 07, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



July 07, 2022 at 10:12 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



July 07, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Kim Doolin and the boys. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



Kim Doolin and the boys. - July 07, 2022 at 08:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wendell Stewart.*



July 07, 2022 at 12:11 AM



“ *Mary Pippen lit a candle in memory of Wendell Stewart*



Mary Pippen - July 06, 2022 at 05:11 PM

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Condolences to all his family. Best Vet and so caring to all my animals.

Deanna Ralston - July 24, 2022 at 03:29 PM