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# In Memory of Steven Lloyd Triplett

NOVEMBER 06TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Steven Lloyd Triplett, 67, of Jena, Louisiana, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at his home.

He was born on August 27, 1953, to the union of Lloyd and Jeanne Triplett, in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

He served his country in the United States Air Force as a medic at McDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida. He was very proud of his military service and the fact that he followed in the footsteps of his military father.

Upon discharge, he attended Hillsborough Community College where he received his Nursing Degree. He worked for the next 35 years at St. Joseph Medical Center in various capacities. He was a Life Flight nurse for 15 years. His remaining career was as an emergency room nurse and a stroke and heart nurse, prior to his retirement in 2015.

On May 8, 2010, Steve married Debby Hadley Mattison in Williamsville, Missouri.

After retirement, Steve and Debby moved to Jena, Louisiana. He fell in love with the area and the people. He loved being the "lawnman" on the property. He would spend hours working on the lawn, flowers and trees. He called it the farm and never wanted to leave it. He also loved to hunt and fish.

Steve served as Head Usher and Board Member of Sanctuary Worship Center. He loved his church and was always on hand to minister any way he could. He loved being involved in any and all ministry programs from the church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd Triplett; his brother-in-law, John Moore; and his nephew, Bradley Glover.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife Debby of the home; his daughter, Lauren (Jeremy) Burke of Tampa, Florida; two stepsons, Jason (Carissa) Mattison of Dexter, Missouri and Shawn (Jennifer) Mattison of Jacksonville, Florida; his mother, Jeanne Triplett of Dexter, Missouri; three sisters and one brother, Charlett (Kirk) Glover of Franklin, Tennessee, Sheryl (Bill) Fowler, Janet Moore, and Mike Triplett all of Dexter, Missouri; four step-grandchildren, Jason, Maggie, Ben, and Elijah Mattison; a niece; nephews; a very special family from Tampa, Florida, Kyle and Luna Wright, Hana and Landon who looked at Steve and Debby as adopted parents and grandparents; friends and extended family too numerous to name.

He was a loving father, brother, son, uncle, and friend. His home going has left a void in our hearts and lives. He will be greatly missed.

A ceremony of remembrance was held at Sanctuary Worship center on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 with Pastor Heath Harris officiating.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, November 6, 2020 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Friday, November 6, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. Interment will follow in Chalk Bluff Cemetery in Dexter, with full military honors.

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