



Stephen Bush

February 16, 1995 - January 11, 2019

Stephen Bush, of Salem, Missouri passed away Friday, January 11, 2019 at his home, at the age of 23. He succumbed to a quiet, insidious disease: depression disorder. Stephen suffered valiantly from the ravages of this physically transparent illness for the last few years. Depression is as deadly as cancer or heart disease. It is a disease of the mind and one's mental outlook.

Stephen was born in Rolla, Missouri on February 16, 1995 to Jeramie and Tasha (Keel) Bush. He was a precocious child who loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting; he also enjoyed working on cars, and spending time with family and friends. On August 23, 2011 Stephen married the love of his life Miss Kelsey Owens, this union was blessed with four children. Stephen was a hard worker, going out in the elements everyday, cutting timber to provide for his family, he adored his family and loved every minute he could spend with them. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, son, and brother, and will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him.

Stephen Bush is survived by his parents, Jeramie and Tasha Bush, of Salem, MO; wife Kelsey Bush, of the home; children, Taylor, Connor, Jaxon, and Aubree Bush; brother, Dustin Bush, of Houston, MO; sister, Shelby Bush, of Salem, father and mother-in-law, Bruce and Gayla Owens, of Salem, MO; brother and sister-in law, Orion and Kayla Vannortwick, of Salem, MO. A host of extended family and friends.

Funeral service for Stephen Bush will be held on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at the Salem Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary at 11:00 AM with Chris Morago officiating. A visitation for family and friends will be held at the Chapel on Thursday prior to the service from 9-11AM. Memorials are suggested to his family, cards are available at all James & Gahr locations.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Salem
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Tribute Wall



“ *I miss you so much and I wish I could see you one last time - Connor Bush*

connor - October 03, 2025 at 01:19 PM



“ *Stephen Bush*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Stephen Bush*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *It upset me to hear of your passing, then the other day I heard of your mom's passing..I know you welcomed her at heavens gate..Im saddened to hear the news of you both..But I know u both are rejoicing in heaven...I do however know what its like to live with depression.I battle it everyday..And for those that dont have depression, Well they jus really dont understand it...And I also know what its like to be pushed and have to deal with others bashing on you and always saying negative things..Nobody is perfect and we ALL make mistakes..But I truly dont know what you was battling..But obviously it was ALOT...Im jus WOW! 1st you and now your mom..It ALL seems like a nightmare...I think you was a helluva kid..Always working looking for work..I know u loved to cut wood and timber...But now you are in a better place and No more suffering from that horrible disease-Depression..It jus breaks my heart when I hear of someone passing from depression...Its a Horrible thing...R.I.P Fella ❤️*

Becky Tims - May 11, 2020 at 09:40 PM

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“ *Teresa Covell lit a candle in memory of Stephen Bush*



Teresa Covell - January 16, 2019 at 07:54 PM

CS

“ *Catrina Sumpter lit a candle in memory of Stephen Bush*



Catrina Sumpter - January 16, 2019 at 06:04 AM