



Steven Potts

February 28, 1950 - July 3, 2025

Steven D. Potts was one of a kind. He had a big heart. He loved hard. His legacy will be his big heart. He loved his family immensely.

Steven was born to Mary and Gilbert Potts Sr. in Chester, PA on February 28th, 1950. Steven graduated from Chester Sr. High School in 1967.

Steven loved watching old black and white westerns on t.v. He also loved jazz music and reminiscing about concerts he and Betty attended. His favorite singers were Marvin Gaye, Sam Cook, Donnie Hathaway and Nina Simone. He was always quoting the song written and sung by Billie Holiday “God Bless the Child that’s got his own.”

Steven went to work for Bell Telephone Company (currently known as Verizon) at the young age of 17. He enjoyed his job as an Installer because it provided a needed service, and he met a lot of people in his community.

Steven retired from Verizon in 2002, that free time gave him and Betty (Spanky) more time to travel the world; landing on glaciers in Alaska, driving on the autobahn in Germany, touring Italy, Barcelona, Paris and his favorite spot, Aruba. Sailing through the Panama Canal and multiple trips to California to see family. Most recently Steven was able to check one more spot off his bucket list, visiting the St. Louis Arch where he met up with his sister Marcia,

his niece Danielle and her family. Of course there was visits to the casinos in St. Louis also.

Steven believed in having a good time. I bet you have heard him mention more than once about his famous/infamous house parties he used to host. One night he had 2 parties at the same time in 2 different locations. He was a busy boy that night.

Steven was preceded in death by his parents, Mary and Gilbert Potts, his sister Barbara Sampson, brothers Gilbert (Junie) Potts Jr., Bryant Robinson Potts and his niece Deanne Colder.

Steven's greatest loss was his loving partner of 44 years Betty Vaughters (Spanky as he affectionately called her), his beloved son Stevie and his cherished and devoted daughter Tanya (Tan).

Steven loved his family and friends deeply and they loved him. He leaves to mourn him, his sisters Janice Laws and Marcia Potts (Aaron), his brother Michael Potts Sr. (Cheryl), his Great Aunt Myrtle Craig 100 years young, devoted friends Van Finley and Edith Murray. Jackie Bernard his first love and mother of Stevie and Tan, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Steven passed away peacefully at home as he wanted, with his sister Marcia by his side.

Life is about memories, Steven you and your generous heart will always be remembered.

Special thank you to Bayada Hospice Nurses and staff for their caring services and support.

Love you dearly. Love you more.

Cemetery Details

Chester Rural Cemetery

412 W. 15th Street
Chester, PA 19013

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 25. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke Community Christian Church
317 Central Avenue
Chester, PA 19013
(610) 876-5197

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Deepest sympathy to Ms Jan, Michael, Marcia and the entire family. We will miss Steven very much. Great memories were made with him , the best backyard cookouts. He's reunited with his loves. Peace & love.



Angee Mitchell-Williams - July 25, 2025 at 08:23 AM

PW

“ My deepest sympathy to the Potts Family and Jackie Bernard. My classmate has gone from this life to the eternal life of rest. We had some good times with Steven - he will be dearly missed. Love and Blessings. Portia L. West

Portia L. West - July 24, 2025 at 02:49 PM

TW

“ My Sincere Condolences to my extended Potts family. May God give you strength during this difficult time. Love Anthony & Toni Wilson

Toni Wilson - July 23, 2025 at 09:57 PM

ML

“ Steve was a great friend .We worked together for Bell Atlantic back in 1997. We lived around the corner from each other I was wondering when I would bump into him again ? Only to find out he passed. R.I.P. Steve! 🌹 🙏 🙏

Mark Lambert - July 23, 2025 at 08:30 AM