



## Stephanie A. Rhoades

February 5, 1960 - September 21, 2012

Stephanie Ann Rhoades, 52, of Kemmer Road, Clarion, died unexpectedly on Friday afternoon, September 21, 2012, at her home.

Born February 5, 1960, in Clarion; she was the daughter of James F. Kerle of Clarion and the late Judith Ann Dunkle Kerle.

Stephanie was married in the Strattanville United Methodist Church on September 7, 1985 to Daniel G. Rhoades, and he survives.

She was currently a secretary at Dr. Park's office and also worked at Peebles, both in Clarion. She was well known in the insurance business.

Stephanie was a member of the New Rehoboth Greenville Presbyterian Church in Clarion.

She was also a member of the Clarion Eagles.

Stephanie enjoyed walking with her dog, Petey, gardening and canning. She loved taking care of her family and spending holidays with them. She treasured her son and referred to him as her miracle baby. She enjoyed supporting her son, nieces and nephews in sporting events and activities at Clarion Limestone School.

In addition to her husband and father, she is survived by her stepmother, Martha Kerle of Clarion; a son, Brenton D. Rhoades of Clarion; her mother-in-law, Virginia Rhoades of Clarion; two brothers, Dan Kerle and his companion, Kris Stiglitz, of Knox, and Lee Kerle and his wife, Melissa, of Clarion; a stepsister, Lori Klepfer and her husband, Rodney, of Clarion; and a stepbrother, Clayton Kroh and his wife, Kimberly, of Clarion.

Also surviving are six brothers-in-law, William Rhoades and his wife, Phyllis, of Michigan, Dennis Rhoades of Brookville, Dick Rhoades and his wife, Belinda, of Strattanville, Woodrow Rhoades and his wife, Linda, of Maryland, Sheldon Rhoades and his wife, Kathy, of Strattanville, and Wes Rhoades and his wife, Chris, of Sligo; two sisters-in-law, Betty Mumford of Hazen, and Robin Aaron and her husband, Mel, of Strattanville; seven aunts and uncles, Ann Kerle of Clarion, Mary Lou Ball of Clarion, John Kerle of Knox, Doris Callen of Florida, Jerome Kerle Florida, Connie Rankin of Fairmount City, and Bridget Dunkle of Clarion; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother, her father-in-law, and three uncles, Joe Kerle, Richard Dunkle, and Richard Rankin.

Family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, September 24, 2012, at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home, 638 Wood Street, Clarion, and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, in the New Rehoboth Greenville Presbyterian Church, Clarion.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, in the New Rehoboth Greenville Presbyterian Church, Clarion, with Rev. James Dietrich, pastor of the New Rehoboth Greenville Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Interment will be held in the Strattanville Cemetery.

Memorials and donations can be made to Charitable Deeds, 98 Hickory Nut Lane, Knox PA 16232.

# Tribute Wall

EM

“ I am so sorry to hear of Stephanie's passing. I talked to her several days earlier at the Peebles store. I always thought she was so humble for being such a beautiful young woman. Please accept my deepest sympathy. 10/11/2012

earla mccall - October 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Rhoades & Kerle Family. My prayers go out to you and know Stephanie is at peace. I will miss her phone calls and visits. We were co-workers until my retirement. Her death was so sudden and I will cherish our memories forever. My condolences to all.

Patricia McCool - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ So sorry to hear of Stephanie's passing. She was such a sweet, caring person.

Arlene Smith - September 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ I will always remember Stephanie as one of the most beautiful people inside and out. My thoughts and prayers are with her families , friends & classmates we lost a real sparkle in life. may you rest in the Peace and Love you showed all of us. goodbye my childhood friend and Classmate\*

Patricia(Hargenrader) Greteman - September 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ I first meet Stephanie many years ago at the Brookville Hospital. She was always so sweet and kind. Years later, she was my insurance agent. Whenever I called her to ask any questions she was always so patient, answering my many questions. Stephanie was the type of person that the minute you meet her, you immediately liked her. She touched many hearts. My deepest sympathy to the family.

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**Nancy Ferringer** - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Brent, Dan, and Family,

Stephanie was such a wonderful person. No matter who she was around, she always had a moment to say hello, and made it a point to do so if she spotted you from across the room. She will be missed by many. Thoughts and prayers to everyone during this difficult time.

Sasha Fetterman

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**Sasha Fetterman** - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Sorry for your lost. She will be missed

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**Guy Gross** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ We are so sorry for your loss. My mom and Strphanies mom were friends and my brother ans stephanie played when they were little. I am so sorry I know that mom and dad are deeply sorrowed and I just want to let you all know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Lisa Emings** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ I am so sorry for you loss. I have know Steph for as long as I can remember . She also brought so much joy to everyone around her. She will be greatly missed.

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**amy ball and family** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ We share with you in grief miles away, Steph was such a wonderful person and friend to the Romig family. I remember growing-up, my brother, Grant thought that Steph was the ultimate fun mom and teased our own mom about how the Rhoades' house was the house to be at for the best food and most fun. It was obvious that Steph loved her family very much and was a great friend to those who had the privilege to call her friend. You all will remain in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Ben & Devon Brooks** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I am sorry, she will be sorely missed-I met her in college and kept running into her over the years... My prayers and condolences go out for all family and friends.

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**Joni Curran** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ You have my deepest sympathy, may God bring you comfort and strength during this difficult time. Steph was a wonderful person and I will miss her and her beautiful smile!!

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**Tracy Gruber Weaver** - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Dear Dan, Brenton, The Kerle & Rhoades Families, My thoughts and many prayers go out to you. Stephanie was always the most upbeat and positive person I have ever met. I know Steph since 1st grade. She always gave me lifts back and forth to DuBois Business College. She just dropped by my office around recently to chat with me. I pray that you find comfort and strength from the Lord Jesus Christ during this difficult time.

*Stephanie...rest in peace girlfriend.*

*Love Jan*

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**Jan Walters** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ *Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you through this difficult time.*

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**Kemmers** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. May she rest in peace.*

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**Cindy Clover** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ *Dan and Brent, There are no words that can express just how sorry I am for your loss. Steph was a fantastic person who I was so very blessed to know. She was an amazing woman who had such a loving heart. She will be greatly missed by many people.*

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**Heather & Keith Shirey** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ i want to give my condolence to dan and his son of there loss im really gonna miss Stephanie very much she always had a nice smile when i saw her and asked me how i was doing and i said fine and asked her the same and she was good im going to miss you my long time friend god bless i love you

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**sue hunt** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. I sure will miss Stephs smiling face at Dr.Park's office. I looked forward to seeeing her smiling face every week. I will also miss her coming in to Walmart where i work to get a rotisserie chicken almost every week. Steph and her smiling face will be greatly missed.

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**Loni Ann Myers Beichner** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ My deepest sympathies in Stephanie's passing. Like so many, I will always remember Steph's upbeat attitude and her smile. May you find peace and strength in trusting in God's care for you now and always.

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**Shawna (Gerheim) Hakes** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Our heart goes out to the entire family, I enjoyed Steph every Greenhouse season and the talks we had. May God be with you all.

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**Kevin & Jackie Himes** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ *A beautiful one too soon taken leaves a heart ache not soon eased. My deepest sympathy is extended to Stephanie's family. May God give you strength and comfort.*

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**Nancy Jeannerat** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *I just heard. I am so sorry and I want you to know I am thinking of you and what you and your family must be going through right now. Please accept my condolences. I can only imagine how difficult this must be for you. I am sorry I won't be able to make it to the funeral to convey my condolences in person. Your in our prayers.*  
*Shayla and Cory*

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**Shayla & Cory Shirey** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Steph's passing. She was our insurance agent it seemed like I was always calling her about insurance question's. Steph and I would have a good laugh when she would return my call's about my insurance question's. I would often tell her I would bet that no one called her more than I did and she would just say that's my job that's what I'm here for . She was always so bubbly and seemed so full of life when I was around her. She will be missed. I will be praying for the family in the day's to come that's God gives you a peace and comfort. Steph may you rest in peace my friend until we meet again.*

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**Barry&Kim Larson Murray** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Dan, Brent, & the Rhoades family:  
Chris and I were shocked and deeply saddened by Steph's sudden passing. Such a kind, friendly, and genuine person she was. As we send you our sincerest sympathy, please know that our thoughts are with you during this extremely difficult time of grief and heartache.

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**Stacey Larson-Miller** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

OH

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of your sister. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.

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**Otie, Sue & Scott Hurst** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Steph's passing. We had so much fun together in high school. She was my first friend when I moved from Strattanville Elementary to C-L Elementary in the middle of 6th grade and we stayed good friends all through high school until I moved to Pittsburgh area. She will be greatly missed and my thoughts and prayers are with all the family and friends as you go through this trying time. May God give you the peace you need as you go through your healing time.

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**Pam Eisenman Smail** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ We were very sad to hear about Steph. Dan, Brent, and family.... we are praying for God's peace for you. Know that God knows your pain and He loves you.

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**Charlie & Sherri Dechant** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Steph was a super friend and fellow cheerleader. She had a heart of gold and I will miss her very much. It is a tragic loss and my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Valerie (Hartnett) Burkett - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ May God grant You peace at this most sad and difficut time.

Kirk Culbertson - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ We were shocked and saddened to hear of Stephanie's passing. We will always remember her smiling face, we never saw her any other way! Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Ben & Debbie Call - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Your family is in my heart and prayers doing this difficult time. God Bless you all.

Shana Silvis - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Steve & Marsha Strattan - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ My sister Lynne & I babysat Stephanie and her brothers many years ago and our moms were best friends. Even though I haven't seen her in years, I will never forget how sweet she was. My deepest sympathy goes out to the family at this very difficult time.

Jane Hargenrader Eckler - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Dan, Brent, Kerle & Rhoades families:  
You have our deepest sympathy on your loss, she was such a wonderful person. Everyone will be in our thoughts & prayers.

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**Regis & Pat Walters** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ So sorry to hear bad news we lived near stef and saw her and dan together all the time hoping dan and brent will overcome she was a very nice lady.

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**Pat & Karen Mcmillen** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ To Her Husband Dan, Jim, Martha, Lee, Lori, Clay and Rest of the family: I am deeply saddened to hear of Stephanie's passing she was a wonderful person inside and out every time i bumped into her we would talk for a few minuntes she was nicest person ive ever met. my thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to y'all she is walking the rainbow bridge to heaven. Steph it was my pleasure meeting you you were a great person to know im so sorry you were suddenly taken from your family but you are a peace now, take care god bless you in heaven and watch over your family each and every day. you will be missed by family and friends RIP Steph {{{Hugs}}} to the family

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**Lil Spaller (Formerly of Clarion)** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ So very sorry to hear of this sad news.....we will miss seeing Stephanie walking her dog past our house.....she always had a smile and a wave to give us. You will be truly missed. Prayers go out to Dan and his family. May she Rest In Peace.

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**Lola Champion and Bernie Daly** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest condolences go out to Stephanies Family...Stephanie and I were childhood friends , I remember her as being beautiful inside and out...I have some wonderful memories...Rip Stephanie

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**Rita ( Hargenrader ) Eulas** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ To Dan Kerle

*Dear Dan and Family,*

*I am so sorry for your loss. Stephanie was a kind, lovely person - I always enjoyed it when we got a chance to talk. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Please let me know if there is anything I can do.*

*Marianne*

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**Marianne Battista** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ May God grant your precious family strength and peace at this time. I was so saddened to hear the news. I have such great memories of Steph's smile and laughter...always so kind and caring for others. She will be sorely missed. God bless you Steph. May you rest in peace.

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**Sharla Dunkle McCoy** - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Dan and family  
So sorry for your loss.  
Steph was fantastic! Always so cheerful and happy. She will be terribly missed by many.

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**gwen eaker** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ so sorry about steph...lots and prayers are with the family at this time...she was a wonderful person and always had a smile on her face and caring person...

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**linda preston and sons** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ I was so sad to hear of Stephs passing. She was such a sweet person, you couldn't help but smile when being around her. Hugs and prayers to the entire family, Steph will be greatly missed.

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**Mart Over** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ *Dan and Brent*  
We are devastated at the loss of steph,she was the most cheerful person i have ever known and we count our selves so lucky we had her in our lives.she treated scott like one of her own and i know the best times he had was staying with you guys.May god wrap you in his loving arms.

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**Ken&Sharon Neiswonger** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Steph's family and countless friends. My heart is so very heavy to learn of her passing. She was simply one of the sweetest, kindest, most gentled spirited people I know. She always had a huge smile and hello for whomever she met... she could light up the darkest of rooms. Steph was for sure a 'one of a kind person.' I know I join many others in saying, Steph will truly be missed. May God's love and comfort sustain her family and friends in the days ahead.

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**Amy S. Reddinger** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ To Steph's family, we are sincerely sorry to hear of this loss in your family. At times like this we don't know how we are going to go on, but remember God is there to put his arms around you and for you to draw comfort from him. Steph and her warm, infectious smile will be missed by everyone's lives she has touched. May God Bless and keep you now and for always.

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**Flora & Bob Bish** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ With heavy hearts, we are sending our deepest sympathies to Steph's entire family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

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**Justin & Danielle Bunch** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ My heart aches with the loss of Stephanie. She has touched so many people with her great smile and kindness. Her spirit will live on forever in my heart. Deepest sympathy to her family. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Deb Fox** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Dan...my sincerest condolences to you and your family. I knew Steph since High School and she ALWAYS had a smile on her face. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

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**Shannon Avery** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the Kerle and Rhoades family. May God bless you and ease your pain at this difficult time in your life.*

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**Georgie Graham** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *We were so devastated to hear of Stef's passing. We will always fondly remember her friendly greeting and smiles at the Eagles, where she referred to us as her "eating buddies". May God give you comfort and peace at a time that seems comfortless. We are so sorry.*

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**tom and debbie** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO DAN, BRENT, AND THE ENTIRE RHOADES AND KERLE FAMILY. STEFFY WAS A HARD WORKING, VERY CARING PERSON WHO ALWAYS TRIED TO KEEP A POSITIVE OUTLOOK AND LOOK FOR THE GOOD IN EVERYONE AND THING. TREASURE YOUR MEMORIES THEY ARE SPECIAL, JUST AS SPECIAL AS SHE WAS. WE WILL MISS HER GREATLY. I WILL ALWAYS TREASURE THE MEMORIES OF OUR WORKING TOGETHER AND OUR ROAD TRIPS, AND OUR CHIT CHAT ON THE PHONE. YOU FOLKS ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS I WILL ALWAYS CHERISH MY MEMORIES OF STEFFY.*

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**NANCY & MARK OHLS** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Our sympathy and prayers is with Dan and Brent along with the family, We've known S

*teph a longtime and was such a Bubbly very nice lady, so sorry for your loss.*

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**Glenn and Bernice Smith** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ So sad, I just saw her Thursday evening...Always a smile and so friendly...Heaven gained an Angel..Rest in Peace Steph...

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**Shelley Edmonds Geist** - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Our Deepest Sympathies and in our Thoughts and Prayers. Steph was such a Sweetheart, fun, loving and Caring Friend... She will be missed so much.. Praying for Comfort and God to wrap his arms around the Family

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**Ella Croy** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Steph.. You had a heart of gold and I will forever miss your "happy go lucky" attitude. I am sure You are one of God's Angel's now with the prettiest set of wings He could possibly give too such a kind soul.. My condolences to Dan and Your Son whom in their hearts and the hearts of all Your family and friends You will live forever and be forever missed.... I will see You again someday and see Your smiling face as I will always remember it...

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**Brenda Campbell** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I want to let Stephs family know how sorry I was to hear this news. Steph was always such a sweet kind person. My thoughts and prayers are with Dan and her son as well as the whole family a this difficult time. I will forever keep Stephs smile in my memories of her.

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**Jackie Graham Scheible** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ To The Family:  
It was a pleasure knowing & working with Steph. We will all greatly miss her. You have my deepest sympathy.

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**Toni McCanch** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ My heart goes out to Steph's family. I consider myself luck to have been one of her friends and will cherish all of the memories.

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**Michelle Reid** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Our Thoughts and Prayers are with the entire family. We have loved Stephanie very much, she has touched our hearts in many ways. She was always a treasure to us.

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**Mechelle Baughman** - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM