



## Stephan G. Rickard

December 6, 2012

Stephan G. Rickard, 69, of Cape Girardeau, MO, passed away, Thursday, December 6, 2012 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, MO. He was born Tuesday, April 27, 1943 in St. Louis, MO to the late Thelvan F. and Dorothy (Froeschle) Rickard. Stephan was a 1965 graduate of Southeast Missouri State University and attended the University of Missouri in St. Louis. He had worked with the IRS for over 20 years as a Revenue Officer, was a member of the Cape Girardeau Pilots Club for over 13 years and former pilot for Semo Aviation out of Malden. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Caryl (Wilkinson) Rickard of Cape Girardeau; sons, Gregory and wife, Nicole Nelson of Wilmington, NC ; Grant Rickard and partner, Mark Valen of Los Angeles, CA,; sister, Mary and husband, David Libla of Poplar Bluff, MO; grandchildren, Olivia and Nicholas Nelson of Wilmington, NC; several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. A celebration of life will be at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau. Burial will follow at St. Marcus Cemetery in St. Louis at a later date. Memorial contributions may be given to Cape Girardeau Senior Center or the Humane Society.

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ Steve and I were good friends at Franklin school from 1953-1955 (Grades 4-6). After about 50 years we reconnected recently and had lunch together to discuss our memories of Franklin School. I remembered Steve as a very nice boy in school and he obviously grew up to be a very nice man. We were planning to have lunch again in a few weeks. My prayers are with his family at this very sad time.

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**Doug Soebbing** - December 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Steve was very easy to talk with and helped some of our clients who faced tax difficulties. He gave the IRS a "friendly" face and these clients are now on firm footing, thanks to your husband's sound advice. My thoughts and prayers are with you as I just lost my husband four months ago. Margaret Cox

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**Margaret Cox** - November 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ We extend our deepest sympathy to the family. Steve's great wit, extensive knowledge on many subjects and his enthusiasm for life will be greatly missed.

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**Dr. & Mrs. Robert L. Monti** - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ I'm sorry that I cannot make the service. My deepest sympathy to the family. Steve was a terrific co-worker, friend, and gentleman. Steve helped me out many times as a veteran IRS Revenue Officer when I worked the Southern Illinois area near Cape. We talked as friends about flying all the time and he helped me understand many of the terms, formulas and gave much sage advice. His best advice was *When it's your [self] that's on the line, you don't allow other people to tell you what you should do. You tell them what you're going to do and do it.* It was my privilege to know him. He will be missed very much.

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**Chris Rothweiler** - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ We will miss you Steve. My prayers go with your loved ones. Happy landings to you.

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**A. J. Seier** - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy for I too know the pain of losing someone you love. May your family find comfort as I have in knowing that our loving heavenly Father promises us that very soon he will 'swallow up death forever, and certainly wipe the tears from all faces.' (Isaiah 25:8) What a wonderful day that will be!

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**K. Jackson** - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LZ

“ Hello, I was reading the SEMissourian on-line and saw the notice for Mr Rickard. I am so sorry. Thinking of you all. LouAnn H. Zoffuto

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**LouAnn Hays Zoffuto** - September 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Steve and I spent many hours working together when we were employed by the IRS. He always had a perspective on things that made him a joy to be around.

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**Darrel A. Deeker** - September 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family during these difficult times. I knew Stephan he would come by my office to just chat for awhile he was a fair man with a lot of common sense. God bless brother and may you rest in peace.

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**Jerry Wolsey** - September 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM