



Danny Stephen Hastings

February 12, 1951 - February 10, 2020

Danny Stephen Hastings was born February 12, 1951 in Cassville, Missouri to Jerry and Darlene Hastings. When he was 5 years old, the family made their home in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He attended school from elementary through graduation at Sooner High in 1969. Following high school, Danny enlisted in the Marine Corp and was stationed at Camp Pendleton in San Diego, serving his country for four years. While in California, he earned an Associate's Degree at Chapman College. After an honorable discharge from the Marines, he returned to Oklahoma to be closer to his family and continue his education. He earned a Bachelor's of Arts in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma, as well as a Master's of Science in Teaching, Learning, and Leadership from Oklahoma State University.

Danny was an educator in the Bartlesville Public Schools System for 24 years. He taught Special Education in a variety of settings within BPS, and served for several years as a mentor for the yearbook staff. Following retirement two years ago, Danny had most recently found himself back in the classroom at Bartlesville High School. There was no traditional calendar ever referenced by Danny; rather, the number of days until the end of one school year or the beginning of another.

Danny's favorite role was that of "Daddy" to his girls. As a teacher, he instilled in his daughters from an early age the importance of an education. He taught

Olivia to count in Spanish at the age of one, and to brush her teeth after every meal. He taught Allison how to make a proper list, and provided her with an appreciation for cinematography. From meal planning and budgeting, to road trips and itineraries, he involved them in every aspect of forming plans and creating family goals. He was beyond proud to watch both of his daughters graduate from high school, and later on college. The rest of the family could rest assured, that even when Olivia and Allison reached adulthood and established their own independence, any subsequent holiday cards would still be signed, "Danny, Olivia and Allison."

Danny was a lover of traveling. Whether on the family's farm in the rolling hills of Cassville, or at his parents' cabin in the remote mountains of Colorado, he loved the solitude nature provided. He made many memories with his family, a majority of which he captured first with his favorite bulky video camera and most recently with his GoPro.

Above all else, Danny was a longtime music enthusiast, an avid Beatles fan, and an accomplished musician and songwriter. From the age of fourteen, he loved to write songs and play the guitar. He set up his first recording studio a few years later in his parents' garage, appropriately titled Michigan Street Studio. He enjoyed playing music with his two younger brothers, Mike and Jay, and various close friends. With hundreds of lyrics in hand, he released his first cassette in 1985. By 2020, he had released nearly a dozen albums including his most recent, "Riding a High and Beautiful Wave" – a compilation of his greatest hits.

Danny was preceded in death by his father, Wilbur Jerome (Jerry) Hastings of Bartlesville. He is survived by his mother, Darlene Hastings, of Bartlesville; two daughters, Olivia of Bartlesville and Allison of Edmond; two brothers, Mike and wife Dana of Kingsland, Texas, and Jay and wife Michelle of Owasso; nieces and nephews and their families: Brooke and Shannon Jones, Treyson

and Tyson, of Sherman, Texas; Brandon and Rachael Hastings, and Corbin, of Bartlesville; Ryan and Caroline Hastings, and Natalie, of Midland, Texas; Todd and Christie Hastings, Hunter and Hayden, of Dewey; Tyler and Krista Hastings, and Octavia, of Bartlesville; and Kennedy Goins of Owasso; as well as a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and students.

The Hastings family will receive guests for visitation at the Stumpff Funeral Home on Thursday, February 13, 2020 from 4 P.M. until 6 P.M.

Funeral services will be held at 3 P.M. on Friday, February 14, 2020 in the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Robert Bonner officiating. A graveside service will be held at 1 P.M. on Saturday at the Ennis Cemetery at Cassville, Missouri directed by the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Cemetery Details

Ennis Cemetery

Cassville, MO 65625

Previous Events

Family To Receive Friends

FEB **13**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory
1600 SE Washington Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
info@stumpff.org
<https://www.stumpff.org>

Chapel Service

FEB **14**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel
1600 SE Washington Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

Graveside Service

FEB **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ennis Cemetery
Cassville, MO 65625

Tribute Wall



“ *Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Danny Stephen Hastings*



May 09, 2022 at 09:27 PM

SR

“ *happy fafther day*

samara V roger - June 20, 2021 at 05:36 PM

SR

“ *i miss to you too bad*

samara roger - February 16, 2021 at 01:58 PM

GT

“ *I just listened to Danny's newest CD that his brother, Jay, gave me yesterday. The lyrics to the song 'Cain's Ballroom' touched me. Danny mentions meeting Leon Russell and shaking his hand at the Magicians Theater. I was with him that night!*

*Gary Thayer
Fellow Sooner and Veteran*

Gary Thayer - February 15, 2020 at 06:51 PM

ED

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family.*

Ernie & Doreen - February 14, 2020 at 06:19 PM

PC

“ *Phyllis Cornelius lit a candle in memory of
Danny Stephen Hastings*



Phyllis Cornelius - February 14, 2020 at 03:32 PM

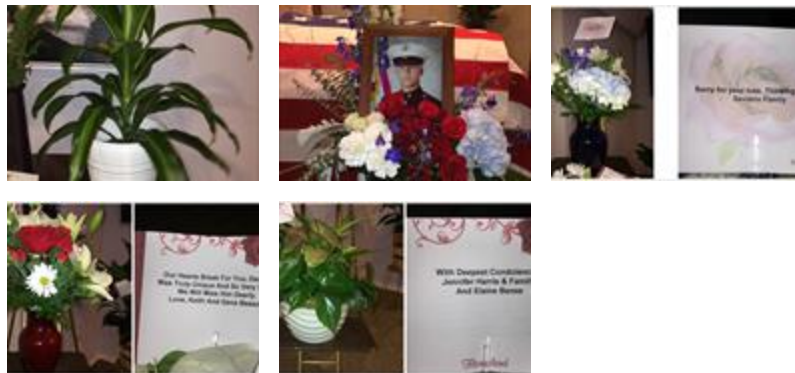
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My amazing loving kind friend I will miss you until we meet again.

Phyllis Cornelius - February 14, 2020 at 03:34 PM



“ *25 files added to the album Flowers*



Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - February 14, 2020 at 02:24 PM

BJ

“*“Mr. Hastings” was a man, resolute and unswerving in devotion to his vocation. He was a real role model to his students, exemplifying much in regards to decisiveness and consistency. I regret my experience in education with him was so short-lived, but I learned much from him in our field of service.*

B R Jones - February 13, 2020 at 09:28 PM

DB

“*Danny was always kind, thoughtful and helpful to his aging Aunt Dee when she was around. He was a beautiful person and I am deeply saddened at his passing.*

Delores Ballard - February 13, 2020 at 03:04 PM



“*Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Danny Stephen Hastings.*



February 13, 2020 at 10:00 AM

SR

“*He was a good teacher*

Samara Roger - February 13, 2020 at 07:54 AM

SR

i am still sad

samara roger - January 07, 2021 at 09:20 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Danny Stephen Hastings.*



February 13, 2020 at 07:39 AM



“ *Saviano Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Danny Stephen Hastings.*



Saviano Family - February 12, 2020 at 10:47 PM



“ *Lori White (Cates) lit a candle in memory of Danny Stephen Hastings*



Lori White (Cates) - February 12, 2020 at 08:20 PM



“ *Jeanne Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Danny Stephen Hastings*



Jeanne Shepherd - February 12, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Danny Stephen Hastings.*



February 12, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ *The Davis Family purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Danny Stephen Hastings.*



The Davis Family - February 11, 2020 at 10:58 PM