



## Stephen Matthew Taber

March 3, 1986 - September 12, 2014

He was the store manager at Glass Lab in Morgantown, West Virginia and was the owner of Vapor Swag, an internet business specializing in electronic cigarettes and flavored vapor specialties.

An avid reader with a scientific curiosity rarely seen, he could carry on educated conversations about the origins of the universe and astrophysics with the same ease as others would talk about the most recent win of the University of West Virginia Mountaineers. He was a talented cook and would invite his special friends over for sleepovers and great food, but he expected them to watch two or three documentaries with him as payment for his hospitality.

He was known for his red hair, impish smile and an enormous sense of humor and his mere presence would keep everyone around him laughing and smiling. An accomplished amateur magician, he amazed family, friends and strangers alike with his card tricks and slights of hand. He was a caring individual who always put other people before himself and he was loved by many.

Survived by his loving parents Dan and Judy Taber of Manassas, Virginia; his brothers Donovan Garcia of Fredericksburg, Virginia and Justin Alford of Washington, D.C.; maternal grandparents Alfred Lee Landis of Aiken, South

Carolina and Laura Landis of Florida and by several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Dan and Mary Taber of Auburn, New York.

There will be a memorial service celebrating Stephen's life at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at the Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. The family will be at the funeral home at 1:00 P.M. to greet friends that might wish to speak with them before the service.

He was called to heaven way too soon and he will be remembered and missed

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>


## Memorial Service

SEP **18**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. & Mrs. Taber, we are so sorry for your loss. I will always remember our times as kids, he was always such a genuine friend. Praying for your healing and peace.* □ 

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**Kimberly Brooks (Blood)** - September 04, 2025 at 06:37 AM



“ *Judy and Dan,  
Our thoughts and prayers for your family.  
The Jurgensen Family*

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**Michele Jurgensen** - September 21, 2014 at 04:31 AM



“ *Dear Dan and Judy, We can share your grief because we also lost a son at too early an age. And, like Stephen, he also was a magician and loved doing slight of hand. The loss never goes away, it just gets easier to bear. We are in Ohio beginning the task of clearing out my mother's house following her passing on July 29. Had we been home, we would have been with you today. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Nancy and Gary West*

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**Nancy West** - September 18, 2014 at 06:02 PM



“ *Dan & Judy, Love and prayers to you and your family. I am so very sorry. God Bless.*

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**Nancy Wolf** - September 18, 2014 at 08:49 AM

JW

“ *Dan I am sorry for your loss. Let me know if I can help you in any way*  
*John Weber*

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**John Weber** - September 18, 2014 at 07:56 AM

LW

*DAN & JUDY AND FAMILY  
I FEEL YOUR LOSS TO THE DEPTH OF MY HEART. I LOSS MY  
SON AT THE AGE OF 28. ONE WEEK BEFOR CHRISTMAS. SO I  
KNOW FIRST HAND HOW THIS LOSS OF YOUR SON MUST BE  
EFFECTING BOTH OF YOU. MY HEART AND MY PRAYERS WILL  
BE WITH YOU DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME. LOUISE WAGGY  
(PLALANING COMMISIONER).*

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**LOUISE WAGGY** - September 20, 2014 at 10:15 AM

MS

“ *Dear Dan, Judy and Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May you find comfort in  
precious memories and the promise of eternal life.*  
*John H. and Margaret Lilley Smith*

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**Margaret Lilley Smith** - September 18, 2014 at 04:01 AM

NS

“ *Stephen I will forever miss you. I loved your red hair and the way  
your smile would light up the room. Even when your mom and I  
would be having a bad day at work you always seemed to make us  
laugh. We would giggle for days remembering the things you would  
say and do. Xoxo forever. Love you Nett.*

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**Nanette Sherman** - September 18, 2014 at 03:45 AM

GW

“ Dear Dan & Judy,  
Please know that you are continually in our prayers. May God give you the strength and peace that you need to make it through this difficult time. "God is always our refuge and strength on the time of trouble."

Gwen & Clyde Washington - September 17, 2014 at 10:50 PM

MN

“ I've known you since high school. Always a joy to be around. You would always bring smiles and laughter to everyone. You are very much Stephen. Glad I got to met you and be a part of your life. Rest easy, friend

Meggie Newell - September 17, 2014 at 04:38 PM

DT

Thank you for your kind words that give our family some solice in the fact he brought joy to others.

Dan Taber - September 17, 2014 at 08:50 PM

ME

Your welcome. My thoughts are with you and your family during this time.

Meggie - September 18, 2014 at 02:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stephen Matthew Taber.



September 17, 2014 at 02:14 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen Matthew Taber.*



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September 17, 2014 at 08:46 AM



“ *I have known Stephen since he was very Young, he was best Friends with my son Brett Burton, he would come over and spend the night, and Wow us all with his latest magic trick, and or card trick. Once my two younger children Brody and Caity swear to this day, that Stephen Levitated! I truly loved him, he was a good Friend to Brett, always very polite, and well mannered! Judy, I am so very sorry, for you and your Family... May God Bless you and help you at this time... Tammy Burton*

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**Tammy Stanley Burton** - September 16, 2014 at 09:10 PM

DT

*Thank you for adding to the great memories of Stephen we hold so dear in our heart'.*

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**Dan Taber** - September 17, 2014 at 08:52 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Stephen Matthew Taber.*



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September 16, 2014 at 07:55 PM



“ Colorado Spruce Tree was purchased for the family of Stephen Matthew Taber.



September 15, 2014 at 10:07 PM



“ I've known you since elementary school & although we didn't hang out much outside of school you were always fun to be around. Hate to hear that your gone....

Praying for your family & friends



Rachel Brannan - September 15, 2014 at 06:51 PM



Thank you for your kind comments

Stephen's Mom and Dad

Dan Taber - September 16, 2014 at 08:49 PM



Your very welcome

Rachel Brannan - September 17, 2014 at 03:51 PM



“ Judy and Dan,

Know that your family are in our daily prayers at this time of sadness!

The Brawner's Dumfries, Va

Brawner's - September 15, 2014 at 06:07 PM

DT

*You have been a great friend and your comments are mist appreciatedv*

**Dan Taber** - September 17, 2014 at 08:54 PM

AN

*“ Stephen, you were one of the smartest and funniest people I ever knew. You are going to be missed.*

**Angela** - September 15, 2014 at 05:50 PM

BM

*My thoughts and prayers are with the Taber family*

**Bill Murphy** - September 17, 2014 at 08:34 AM

RW

*“Dear Lord, I pray for The Taber Family who have lost their son I ask that you would fill them with a deep sense of your peace and grace. I ask that you would surround them with your love and hope. Give them the strength to carry on and to know that they still have a purpose on this earth. Lord I am asking that each day they would grow stronger in the knowledge of you and how great you truly are.*

*Lord, on their darkest days be their light. On their loneliest days, be their friend. On their saddest days be their joy. Grant the family to be strengthened with power to continue on. I pray that they would be firmly established in the knowledge of you. I pray that they may be able to comprehend what is the breadth, width, height and depth of your love for them. Let that unfathomable love carry them through their darkest days.*

*Lord, I pray that the family would be filled with pleasant and joyful memories of their Son Stephen Taber May each day bring a brighter hope of the future. May they grow closer to you through this experience. Let not their hearts turn bitter, angry or disillusioned. May they once again begin to trust. Bring them the divine comfort and assurance that can only come through your love.”Amen*

**Rosemary webb** - September 17, 2014 at 10:47 AM