



## Steven Ashley

October 27, 1985 - August 4, 2025

Steven Ashley, 39, of Anderson, Indiana, passed away on August 4, 2025, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Born on October 27, 1985, in Anderson, Steven was a proud graduate of Anderson High School, earning his diploma in 2004. He remained deeply connected to the community throughout his life and was a longtime member of South Meridian Church of God.

Steven's life was centered around his family. He is survived by his beloved wife, Karla, and their three children: Kaylee, Andrew, and Sadie. His devotion to them was unwavering—he cherished every moment spent together, whether it was going to the movies as a family or celebrating holidays with joy and enthusiasm. Spoiling his kids whenever he could brought him immense happiness.

Steven is also survived by his mother Ginger Caylor and step-father David Caylor along with father Cary Ashley and step-mother Spring Ashley. Siblings Brianna Ashley, Andrea (Ben) Sandoval, Allison Ashley, Mark Ashley and Courtney (Darcie Marquadt) Caylor.

Grandparents: Bernadine Acker; Ray Ashley and Barbara Ashley.

Aunts and Uncles: Susan Beeghly; Dana (Mike) Clapper; Susan Dowling; Autumn Halaschak; and Deb (Bill) Wepler; Ben (Joanna) Ashley; Jace Ashley.

Cousins: Beth (Anthony) Southern; Abby Halaschak; Tori Halaschak; Andy (Arika) Halaschak; Nicky Halaschak; Jason Etchison; Joshua Etchison; Kyle Schang; Rachel Notestine; Kirsten Hoffer; Ryan Vaughan; Elizabeth Wepler; Katherine Wepler; Laura Beeghly; Ben (Anna) Beeghly; Graham Beeghly; Mellie Niehaus; Chris Niehaus; Sister-in-law: Melanie (Dane) Tingle; Nieces and nephews: Aubrey; Noah and Jameson; Steve also leaves behind many close, special friends.

A passionate sports fan, Steve followed most sports with enthusiasm. He especially loved IU basketball and football, the Cincinnati Reds, and the New York Rangers. But above all else, he was a lifelong Indianapolis Colts fan—a passion that serendipitously led him to meet Karla. His love for the team became a meaningful thread woven into the fabric of their life together.

Steve also had a lifelong fascination with roller coasters. Even when health challenges limited his ability to fully indulge in this passion, he found ways to share it with those he loved. Just this past July, he took a special trip with his family to Holiday World—a joyful outing where he was able to triumph over his ailments and enjoy his love of coasters with his son.

Known for his quick wit and unique talent for naming things—names that always seemed to stick—Steve had an infectious personality that drew people in. He never met a stranger and was always ready to lend a hand to anyone in need. His warmth and humor left lasting impressions on those fortunate enough to know him.

Steven was preceded in death by his grandfather Paul Acker; grandmother Florence Caylor; grandfather Bob Caylor; grandmother Holly (Glover) Stanley; grandfather John Abbott; grandfather Robert Wood; and grandmother Jeri Wood.

Steven Ashley's legacy lives on through the love he shared with his family and the countless lives he touched with kindness and laughter. May his memory bring comfort to all who knew him. A Memorial Service will be held on August 12, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 01:00 PM at South Meridian Church of God 2402 Meridian Street with visitation taking place one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Meal Train for The Ashley Family  
<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/owvzzl>

# Tribute Wall

TB

“ To the Ashley and Caylor family. May his memories bless you and your love for him give you peace. I was very very sad to hear about his passing. I never met him personally, however through his mom, I felt like I knew him. Ginger, may you and your family be comforted knowing that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. May his memories bring you peace!! We are here for anything that we can support you with. In prayer and love, The Burns family

Todne Burns - August 11, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steven Ashley.

August 09, 2025 at 09:57 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steven Ashley.



August 09, 2025 at 09:57 AM



“ Although we haven't spoken in some time, hearing this news really hit hard. Met you when we were still kids and shared so many awesome times with our friends while listening to the music that we were all so passionate about. Literally think about you every time I hear pearl jam. Now I will even more so. I never had the opportunity to meet your beautiful wife or children. I know that she is a wonderful soul because she was your other half and your children are amazing because they are parts of you, friend. Sending you lots of peaceful guidance on your way to the other side. And sending mass amounts of comfort, peace and strength to your family. Lots of love.

-Coty Covington

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**Nova Covington** - August 08, 2025 at 11:39 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss and I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Kristen Hughes** - August 08, 2025 at 08:24 AM

MB

“ Amazing man. We loved you Steve. Still do. You were a great uncle. Jameson loved questioning you out in the driveway (I'm sure it was an overwhelming number of questions from a 4 year old at the time) while you were sitting in your car hanging out for a minute. The Mexican resturant trip in Forsyth was so great. I loved watching Jameson copy Sadie's every move and they did push-ups together there in the middle of the resturant. I'm glad I have that video as a memory. Thank you for loving my sister with every once of your heart & soul. She deserved that. I'm happy we spent last summer with you, my sister, and all three of those beautiful babies. I know you are at peace now, but my heart just hurts for everyone. Thanks for making time for us all the way down in Georgia. Your memory will live on forever. We love you always. I'm not a sports fan, but in honor of you...go Fkn Colts! Love you. I'll make sure your memory lives on as I can, and I will. ❤️ Melanie, Dane, Aubrey, Noah, & Jameson  
Fly high Uncle Steve

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Melanie Bridge - August 07, 2025 at 09:54 PM

AJ

“ My deepest condolences to you and your family. I will keep you all in my prayers. Amy Jo Diederich

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Amy Jo - August 07, 2025 at 05:14 PM

MD

“ I am so sorry for your loss.

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Missy Dwyer - August 07, 2025 at 04:23 PM

SS

“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family.* ”



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**Sara Sellers** - August 07, 2025 at 02:53 PM

DP

“ *Sending sincere condolences to you and your family.* ”

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**Dave Pagell** - August 07, 2025 at 02:30 PM

JP

“ *My condolences and prayers to Dave and family. May Steven rest in peace.* ”



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**John Pressner** - August 07, 2025 at 02:11 PM

MM

“ *Mena Mahrous purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven Ashley.* ”



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**Mena Mahrous** - August 07, 2025 at 02:04 PM

TV

“ *My heart goes out to you in this time of deep sorrow. I pray that God's peace, which surpasses all understanding, will comfort you. Prayers, Terry Veith, FAIS*



Terry Veith - August 07, 2025 at 02:04 PM



“ *We are so very sorry to learn of Steven's passing... sincere condolences from my family , and Mom (Maggie Farr)*

Marsha Mustin - August 07, 2025 at 01:41 PM



“ *Marsha Mustin lit a candle in memory of Steven Ashley*



Marsha Mustin - August 07, 2025 at 01:41 PM

RB

“ *Karla AJ Kaylee and Sadie I love you all with every breath in me. Steve was such a strong man he overcame so much. I know without a doubt he's watching over you all now. I am glad I got to meet him. To the rest of the family I am so very sorry for your loss he was a great man!*



Rhonda Baker - August 07, 2025 at 11:40 AM