



Steven W. Shoemaker

June 16, 1962 - January 15, 2016

Steven W. Shoemaker, age 53, of Huntington, died at 9:33 a.m. Friday (January 15, 2016) at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

Visitation will be from 2 - 8 p.m. Wednesday (January 20, 2016) at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday (January 21, 2016) at Central Christian Church, 500 MacGahan Street, Huntington, with Rev. Chris Hayden officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Huntington County.

Memorial contributions may be made to Youth for Christ or Cancer Services for Huntington County, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana.

Steve was born on June 16, 1962 in Huntington, the son of John and Pat (Rader) Shoemaker. He graduated from Huntington North High School in 1980 and married Laura L. Huntzinger on September 14, 1985 in Marion. He was Plant Manager at Huntington Sheet Metal and he was Vice President of Administration at Homier Distributing in Huntington. He also worked as the Operations Manager for the City of Huntington. He was a member of Central Christian Church in Huntington, where he served as a Deacon and former Chairman of the Board. Steve was a member of Huntington Optimist Club and Huntington County Chamber of Commerce. He was involved with Youth for

Christ and Big Brothers Big Sisters. He was a BPA certified umpire and coached, umpired, and served on the board of directors for Huntington County Baseball. He also helped raise funds for football in Huntington County through his participation in the Huntington Quarterback Club.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years - Laura L. Shoemaker of Huntington; a son - Austin J. Shoemaker of Huntington; a daughter - Alexa J. Shoemaker of Huntington; his parents - John and Pat Shoemaker of Huntington; two brothers - Dan (Chris) Shoemaker of Huntington and Greg (Becky) Shoemaker of Kirkwood, Missouri; a sister - Vicki (Fred) Minniear of Huntington.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Cemetery

1700 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

Service

JAN 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

Central Christian Church
500 Macgahan St.
Huntington, IN

Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - January 18, 2016 at 08:06 PM



“ I'm very sorry to learn of Steve's passing, just now. He was a very good guy, and I'm glad to learn ... a brother in Christ.

Steve and I played YMCA basketball together when we were kids. (GO, BEARCATS!) I always liked Steve, who was a quiet and gentle soul. I was very sad when he couldn't play anymore, because he broke his arm -- a second time -- in a fall on the court in practice.

God bless Steve and his family.

-- Mark Wilcoxson

Mark Wilcoxson - July 17, 2017 at 08:09 AM



“ So sorry for your loss.

Joy Conley, Miami Tool & Die - January 26, 2016 at 08:54 AM

LH

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family Laura .

Lisa(Fager)Hiple

Lisa Hiple - January 24, 2016 at 06:55 PM

SW

“ Thinking of you and your family . Sandra
Watkins



Sandra watkins - January 23, 2016 at 09:15 AM

TJ

“ There are not words I can say about Steve that have not already been shared. Truly was a great man through and through. I think the thing that amazed me about him was how he became a man of Christ on his own. Of course, Laura helped him along the way by always making church a part of their daily lives from day one but Steve truly was a self made Christian! The strongest type! Steve made everyone feel valued! Love you all and will continue to be here to help you through the loss of your husband, dad, son, and brother and best friend. You will never fill his void but time will allow you to learn to deal with it. LOVE YOU ALL!

Tammy J. Johnson - January 22, 2016 at 09:53 AM

DS

“ Don and Dede Sherman are so sorry to hear of the passing of Steve. We truly send our wishes of sincere sympathy to the whole family.

Dede Sherman - January 21, 2016 at 08:51 PM

TE

“ *Tammi Elliott-Porch lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Tammi Elliott-Porch - January 21, 2016 at 03:36 PM

TE

my thoughts and Prayers are with your family in this time of grieving

Tammi Elliott-Porch - January 21, 2016 at 03:37 PM

NS

“ *Neal Snyder lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Neal Snyder - January 20, 2016 at 10:31 PM

CS

“ *With Love, Caitlyn and Lauren Sands*



Caitlyn Sands - January 20, 2016 at 06:19 PM

EF

“ *Steve was a great man that our family was privleged to get to know over these past years and will be deeply missed. May God bless your family and give you comfort in this diffuct time.*

Eric & Kelly Fawcett & family - January 20, 2016 at 03:27 PM

MA

“ *Megan Alberts lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Megan Alberts - January 20, 2016 at 01:01 PM

MJ

“ *Steve was a great friend from our elementary childhood days and continued through his meaningful life. He was a true winner in every way.*

Mitch Johnston and family

Mitch Johnston - January 20, 2016 at 12:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



January 20, 2016 at 12:04 PM

AN

“ *The world is a better place that Steve was in it. All that new Steve will miss him. He was a good man, he was good supervisor and he was a good friend. I will miss our lunches at the Great Wall.*

Life is eternal and love is immortal; And death is only a horizon, And a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. ~Rossiter Raymond

Andrew Norman - January 20, 2016 at 08:11 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



January 19, 2016 at 10:06 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss! What a wonderful, kind, brave man! You are all in my thoughts and prayers. With Deepest Sympathy,*

Jane Hale Varney



jane Hale Varney - January 19, 2016 at 05:53 PM



“ *Mike Fout purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



Mike Fout - January 19, 2016 at 04:49 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



January 19, 2016 at 03:39 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



January 19, 2016 at 02:15 PM



“ *Vicky, sorry to see Steve passed away.*

Dennis Haworth

Dennis Haworth - January 19, 2016 at 01:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



January 19, 2016 at 12:51 PM



“ *I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HAVE HAD STEVE IN CLASS. WHAT A FINE GENTLEMAN & STUDENT. IN THE LAST FEW YEARS STEVE WAS ONE BRAVE PERSON FACING HIS HEALTH ISSUES. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. NANCY & JERRY JUILLERAT*

Jerry & Nancy Juillerat - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 PM

MH

“ Thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Michelle and Matt Hogan

Michelle Hogan - January 19, 2016 at 10:26 AM

KW

“ Keith and Kim Wilson purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



Keith and Kim Wilson - January 19, 2016 at 09:19 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



January 18, 2016 at 09:55 PM

DD

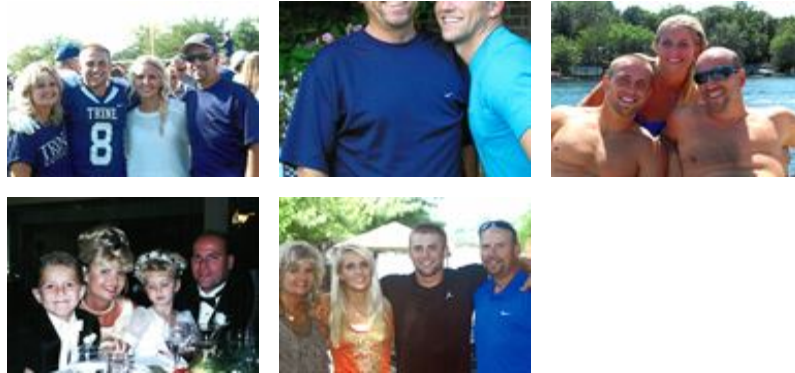
“ Del, Leah, Sam, Luke and Jack Doughty purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



Del, Leah, Sam, Luke and Jack Doughty - January 18, 2016 at 09:11 PM

BL

“ 25 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - January 18, 2016 at 07:53 PM

YD

“ *Your Friends from Scheckel's Dairy purchased the Grande Gourmet Fruit Basket for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*



Your Friends from Scheckel's Dairy - January 18, 2016 at 11:54 AM

DT

“ *Debbie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Debbie Taylor - January 18, 2016 at 11:26 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



January 18, 2016 at 11:11 AM



“ Laura, Austin and Alexa,

I met Steve in March of 1981 in the dorm at Ball State. We lived two doors apart for two years. Along with Tracy Miller, Dave Buzzard etc, we played basketball, ate late night pizzas, played golf and maybe drank a few beers. Steve was a true friend and I very much enjoyed spending time with him. (If not for Steve, I would have failed accounting 201, for sure.) I was fortunate to be invited to go on a golf vacation with Steve a group of Ball State guys around 1992 and we had a blast spending time together again. I send you my sincere sympathies and pray for you all to be blessed with positive memories of your husband and father...Walt Wintin

Walt Wintin - January 18, 2016 at 10:47 AM



“ Debbie Baker lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Debbie Baker - January 18, 2016 at 10:24 AM

JH

“ *Joe & Lori Humbert lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Joe & Lori Humbert - January 18, 2016 at 09:28 AM

CB

“ *Cindy Brown lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Cindy Brown - January 18, 2016 at 09:13 AM

CB

“ *Steve will be terribly missed by all who where so blessed to have known him and what a wonderful person he was. Rest in peace my friend, until we see you again! Thoughts and many prayers to all his family!*

Cindy Brown

Cindy Brown - January 18, 2016 at 09:12 AM

 Tammy Karst

“ *So very sorry to hear of Steve passing away! He was a good guy and a good boss to work for. Prayers for his family Tammy*



Tammy Karst - January 18, 2016 at 08:20 AM

JF

“ Jeff And Cindy Phillips And Family lit a candle
in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Jeff and Cindy Phillips and Family - January 18, 2016 at 06:32 AM

SC

“ Scott And Cyndee Christman lit a candle in
memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Scott and Cyndee Christman - January 17, 2016 at 08:11 PM

SC

Our sympathy goes out to Laura, Austin, Alexa, Vicki & Fred, John and Pat. We are so sorry for your loss. Steve was such a nice and friendly person. We will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

Scott and Cyndee Christman - January 17, 2016 at 08:13 PM

SS

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to
Shoemaker family. The Jack Stell family



Sheri Stell - January 17, 2016 at 08:01 PM

NC

“ Nancy And Art Chenoweth lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Nancy and Art Chenoweth - January 17, 2016 at 04:27 PM

TR

“ Tracy & Bob Menetre, and Tim & Dora Rader purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



Tracy & Bob Menetre, and Tim & Dora Rader - January 17, 2016 at 04:15 PM

AB

“ Amy Rader & Bruce Biggs, Kathy Rader-Bronn & Bert Bronn purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.



Amy Rader & Bruce Biggs, Kathy Rader-Bronn & Bert Bronn
- January 17, 2016 at 04:05 PM

SL

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We always enjoyed talking with Steve while we were watching our sons play sports together. He will be missed. Please know that we are keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers. Mark and Susie Landrum.

Susan J Landrum - January 17, 2016 at 04:02 PM

MB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Steve's passing. Steve was a great guy and class act in every way imaginable. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Mark & Kathy Beckman

Mark Beckman - January 17, 2016 at 02:07 PM

BF

“ Our boys grew up playing sports together. We will never forget the impact Steve had in Kevin's life on and off the court and field. Thanking God for such a good man and friend in Steve and for the day He brought Austin into our lives. Love and our deepest sympathy to Laura, Austin, Alexa, Vicki and family and to John and Pat

John and Becky Fisher

Becky Fisher - January 17, 2016 at 01:49 PM

CS

“ Cathy Skinner lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Cathy Skinner - January 17, 2016 at 01:36 PM

CS

So sorry Laura for your loss. My prayers are with your family

Cathy Skinner - January 17, 2016 at 01:37 PM

PJ

“ Pamela Johnston lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Pamela Johnston - January 17, 2016 at 11:01 AM

NK

“ Natilee Fuhrman Kechel lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Natilee Fuhrman Kechel - January 17, 2016 at 09:27 AM

RT

“ Ruth Tate lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Ruth Tate - January 17, 2016 at 09:06 AM

RT

Steve was a wonderful man. He coached our grandson Josh in basketball and football. Steve was such a good influence for Josh. Prayers for the family and friends in this most difficult time.

Ruth Tate - January 18, 2016 at 01:48 PM

CG

“ *Christine (Clabaugh) & Barry Gamble lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Christine (Clabaugh) & Barry Gamble - January 17, 2016 at 09:02 AM

 Brandi Fife

“ *My first job out of college was at Homier and Steve was my boss. We crossed paths again later in life at Central Christian and through HCB. What a kind, cheerful man. He did a lot for our community and kids. He will be missed.*



Brandi Fife - January 17, 2016 at 07:59 AM

CM

“ *Steve was a gentle person, always positive, always greeting people with a smile. He and Laura were a perfect match, soul mates. I watched their love for each other grow from the time they met at Pick-A-Spot Campground.*



Steve fit right into our family. We loved him and we will miss him, but we will not forget him.

Our thoughts go out to Laura, Alexa and Austin.

*Love,
Uncle Charles & Aunt Suzanne*

Charles Murray - January 16, 2016 at 11:40 PM

RK

“ Roger And Jodi Kilty lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker




Roger and Jodi Kilty - January 16, 2016 at 10:01 PM

DB

“ I am heartbroken to hear the news of Steve's passing. I have known him since our early days of elementary school. We grew up together in the same neighborhood and I have many great memories of our friendship. Steve was always upbeat and just a great guy to hang around. I will miss him tremendously. My deepest sympathy goes to his family.

David Buzzard - January 16, 2016 at 09:36 PM

 Katelyn Shuttleworth

“ Katelyn Shuttleworth lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Katelyn Shuttleworth - January 16, 2016 at 09:22 PM

PJ

“ My prayers and thoughts are with you all during this time of loss. Steve will be greatly missed here on earth although Heaven has gained an Angel. I remember in grade school how Steve was able to make everyone laugh. He was such a kind gentle soul. Steve was my cousin. I didn't get a chance to see him much once we were all out of school and started our busy lives. When I did see him he was always friendly and had a big smile, so that is how I will always remember Steve. God Bless you all -Pam Johnston-

Pamela Johnston - January 16, 2016 at 09:20 PM

AP

“ Andy Pinkerton lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Andy Pinkerton - January 16, 2016 at 08:45 PM

CC

“ Carole Cragun lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Carole Cragun - January 16, 2016 at 07:59 PM

RN

“ Renee Ness lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Renee Ness - January 16, 2016 at 06:43 PM

GS

“ I grew up with Steve from the time we were kids to High School. Alexa and Rebecca then grew up together as kids through high school. Steve was always a great guy and my heart breaks for his family. God bless you all. Gary and Diana Shenefield



Gary Shenefield - January 16, 2016 at 06:01 PM

BS

“ Bob And Betty Sands lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Bob and Betty Sands - January 16, 2016 at 04:30 PM

DB

“ I was saddened to hear the news of Steve's passing. I will remember him with a ready smile. Please accept my condolences.

Dana Brooks Burns - January 16, 2016 at 02:53 PM

TS

“ As I set here, ..trying to take this in,..I am stunned and heartbroken!! I grew up with Steve!! I saw him, his brother, and sister ,.....EVERYDAY!!! They were my young (and limited)life!! We were, in essence, brothers and sisters!! Tho we grow up and do our own things, it is times like these that you realize how those times and memories are Embedded in you!!! Such good memories of him and his wonderful family!! My heart goes out to the Shoemaker and Minnear families!! May God help you thru your time of loss and sorrow!!

Teddy Saunders - January 16, 2016 at 01:58 PM

AD

“ Aunt Dee lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Aunt Dee - January 16, 2016 at 01:17 PM

JT

“ Joan L Tardy lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Joan L Tardy - January 16, 2016 at 01:00 PM

DR

“ *Daren And Tami Reed lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Daren and Tami Reed - January 16, 2016 at 12:16 PM

CB

“ *Our Heartfelt Sympathy to the family, Marvin & Claudette Bangs*



Claudette Bangs - January 16, 2016 at 12:14 PM

JE

“ *Steve was such an amazing man. A true example of what a real man is. He was an amazing father and lived by his faith. We had the blessing of spending many years with Steve, Laura and Alexa through sports and friendships. What an amazing family! God just gained an amazing angel!*

Jo Ellen Earhart - January 16, 2016 at 12:04 PM

MT

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Steve's illness, and then his passing. He was a great person, and I enjoyed working with him at Homier's. My condolences to Laura, his children , and the rest of his family. He is at peace. Prayers for your family.*

Millie (Richardson) Thornton - January 16, 2016 at 12:02 PM

DB

“ My deepest sympathy to all of you. We have lost one of the really "Good Guys". Dorothy Bodi

dorothy bodi - January 16, 2016 at 11:56 AM

PH

“ So very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.

Mark & Pam Hesting



Pam Hesting - January 16, 2016 at 11:22 AM

MS

“ Steve...such a kind and gentle soul. I worked with him at the City and Mark grew up playing ball with him and worked with his dad. We are deeply saddened to get the news!! May everyone find peace in knowing he is cancer free with Jesus! Prayers for Laura and family.

Mark & Lisa Smith - January 16, 2016 at 11:13 AM

DS

“ Our hearts and prayers are with the family. Steve was a great guy and will be greatly missed.



Dave and Deb Switzer - January 16, 2016 at 11:00 AM

BF

“ *Brenda Felton & Family lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*

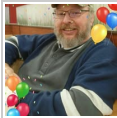


Brenda Felton & Family - January 16, 2016 at 10:54 AM

BF

Sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. The Felton Family

Brenda Felton - January 16, 2016 at 10:58 AM



Very sorry to hear about your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers in this difficult time.

Basil Haley - January 16, 2016 at 11:42 PM

DB

“ *Prayers of peace and comfort for you all during this difficult time.*

Dave Burket - January 16, 2016 at 10:04 AM



“ *Jeff N Terri Wooley lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Jeff N Terri Wooley - January 16, 2016 at 08:41 AM

MD

“ *Mark & Deb Dimond lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Mark & Deb Dimond - January 16, 2016 at 08:23 AM

JC

“ *Steve was one of the greatest individuals I have ever known. He was very important to my family and to me. He was a leader and mentor for me and had a tremendous impact upon my life. I have many good memories of Steve and cherish them all. My prayers are with his family during this difficult time.*

Jim Cadoret - January 16, 2016 at 08:19 AM

MW

“ *Laura, Austin & Alexis, our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Steve was a great co-worker and a fun baseball coach who loved his family and community very much. Steve was a super guy that is in a much greater place and pain free. Steve is your personal angel watching over you. Jim & Marty Westbrook*



marty westbrook - January 16, 2016 at 07:31 AM

JU

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you, so sorry for your thoughts. Chuck & Julie*



julie - January 16, 2016 at 06:11 AM

JW

“ *Jody Wolf lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Jody Wolf - January 16, 2016 at 05:44 AM

MK

“ *Melissa Killen lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



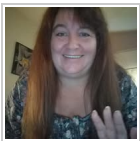
Melissa Killen - January 16, 2016 at 05:42 AM

TB

“ *Sending prayers to all in this time of sorrow and sadness. Steve was a great guy and will be missed. God bless each and everyone.*

David and Tammy Branscomb

Tammy Branscomb - January 16, 2016 at 05:07 AM



“ *Paula Blair lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Paula Blair - January 16, 2016 at 01:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steven W. Shoemaker.*

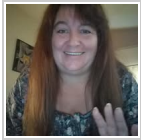


January 16, 2016 at 12:38 AM



“ *I enjoyed working with Steve when he was City Operations Mgr. as well as playing tennis with Steve. He was a class guy and will be missed!*

Steve Mason - January 15, 2016 at 09:56 PM



“ *Steve was a classmate of mine and I haven't seen him since school and I'm sorry to hear about this my condolences to your family Steve*

Paula Blair - January 15, 2016 at 09:15 PM



“ *He was a great and very nice guy! Prayers and condolences to all his family!*



Caroline Halder - January 15, 2016 at 09:01 PM

MD

“ *Mark And Deb Dimond lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



Mark and Deb Dimond - January 15, 2016 at 08:49 PM

DR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Don, Susan and Jon Rentschler - January 15, 2016 at 08:35 PM

KH

“ *Kathy Harper lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker*



kathy harper - January 15, 2016 at 08:11 PM

KH

We can't begin to understand GODS PLAN...but he had one for Steve..he will be FOREVER happy and pain free now...my heart breaks for you Laura, alexis, Austin, Pat and John, Vick ,Dan..and the rest of this beautiful family...love and prayers...Kathy

kathy harper - January 15, 2016 at 08:14 PM

RE

“ *The Shoemaker Family has always been a second family to me...John ,Patty, Vicky,Dan and Greg,I love you guys and my heart is broken Steve was an amazing Man!*

Renee Myers Emmons - January 15, 2016 at 07:51 PM

KS

“ Dan, our prayers are with you and your family. Bruce and Karen Street

Karen Street - January 15, 2016 at 07:47 PM

KW

“ Steve was such a wonderful man and friend. My deepest condolences to all the Shoemaker family.

kimberly wingo - January 15, 2016 at 07:30 PM

BR

“ So sorry for your loss.



beverly rosen - January 15, 2016 at 07:26 PM



“ Kim Carroll Bruemleve lit a candle in memory of Steven W. Shoemaker



Kim Carroll Bruemleve - January 15, 2016 at 07:24 PM

RT

Will be greatly missed. Wonderful baseball coach. Prayers for his family. Jim, Ruth and Josh Tate.

Ruth Tate - January 17, 2016 at 09:10 AM