



Stephen Batson

November 8, 1944 - April 2, 2023

Stephen Holmes Batson, a resident of Berkley, passed away on Sunday, April 2, 2023 at the age of 78. A son of John and Marjorie Batson, he was born on November 8, 1944 in Brockton, Massachusetts.

Stephen earned his bachelor's from Michigan State University and master's degree from Wayne State University before serving his community through social work. Stephen specialized in drug and alcohol rehabilitation with Wayne County, but also inspected programs as a state board member and provided guidance plans to organizations. In the later part of his career, Stephen offered consulting services for trauma-informed care.

A dedicated MSU fan, Stephen held season football tickets. He enjoyed watching hockey games, especially when his children played. Stephen actually took up the sport in his thirties and played until the age of 50. Blessed with a green thumb, Stephen tended to nine vegetable gardens in his backyard. Stephen's father owned a lumber mill on the east coast, where Stephen learned the art of woodworking. He enjoyed projects and shared that passion with his children. At home, Stephen's favorite place was in his recliner, watching outdoor shows and dramas. He will be missed dearly by friends and family.

Beloved husband of Janet. Loving father of Lawrence (Kevin) Schmotzer,

Andrew (Margaret), and Addison. Dear brother of Priscilla. Proud uncle of Debbie (Carmelo) Nicolosi. Preceded in death by his parents and young son, Eric.

Tribute Wall

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“ I had the absolute privilege to be a colleague of Steve's on the MiFAST team. We had a memorable series of fidelity reviews in the Upper Peninsula with other colleagues and teams supporting people's recovery in 2017. Steve's generosity and kindness, in addition to how funny he was, were constantly on display. He will be deeply missed by so many. My condolences to Janet and his children and grandchildren as you begin the process of grieving this profound loss.

Jennifer Harrison - April 21, 2023 at 01:36 PM

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“ Steve was a joy to work with. He always commented on the kinds of values we all shared working in the Mental Health network. He was always eager to learn more and pass on his wisdom.

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