



Benjamin Abram Steigner

September 16, 1980 - July 6, 2024

Benjamin Abram Steigner was born in Daytona Beach, Florida on September 16th, 1980. He graduated from Maranatha Christian Academy of Tallahassee in 2001. Ben then attended Emmaus Bible College in Dubuque, Iowa before transferring to FSU where he graduated with a degree in Religion and Classical studies. Ben and Monica Hong married in 2013 in Saranac Lake, NY. They both taught at Yongsan International School of Seoul, South Korea. Ben taught Theology, Ethics, Values, and Speech for 6 years at a high school level.

Ben and Monica then taught in Riyadh and Abu Dhabi, Saudi Arabia. Before returning home, Ben and Monica lived and taught high school studies in the UAE for 3 years. In 2020, Ben and Monica returned to Tallahassee to teach. At the time of their death, Ben taught at Community Christian School and Monica was employed as an Accessibility Specialist at Florida State University.

Ben was a Youth Pastor at Four Oaks Church of Tallahassee during his last year of study at FSU. He also was a Praise and Worship leader while attending his church in Seoul, South, Korea and led praise and worship at their most current church home, Incarnation Anglican in Tallahassee.

Ben is remembered for his generosity. He had a deep conviction to intercede

and provide for those in need. He once gave his shoes away to a homeless man while driving home from high school. Ben was committed to expressing in his own life through the Biblical ethic of sacrifice, forgiveness, honesty, and integrity. He was well read with works of John Piper, C.S. Lewis, Charles Spurgeon, Augustine, and Malcolm Gladwell.

Perhaps the best-known character trait of Ben Steigner was his wit and humor. All of us here could compile a hilarious comedy routine with anecdotal stories of "Ben's most outrageous moments". Mostly Ben is known as an abiding and loving son, brother, uncle, and friend.

Survivors include his parents John and Sharon as well as his brothers John Martin, Timothy, and Joshua.

The families of Ben and his wife Monica Hong will be receiving guests for a visitation at Four Oaks Church on Friday, July 12, 2024 at 10:00AM with a funeral service to follow at 11:00AM. Their service will be livestreamed via <https://boxcast.tv/view/funeral-service-awhlqlb71earnhrzzzjh>

Interment will be held at Tallahassee Memory Gardens once the service has concluded.

Rocky Bevis and Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home are assisting the families with their arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall

NS

“ 4 files added to the album Mr. Steigner



Nayeli S - July 12, 2024 at 06:57 PM

NS

“ I am one of his students and I have quite a few stories to share.

The first time I met Mr. Steigner was at a school survival training event. He was in my squad. We had set up camp. The boys in one section and the girls in another. I was waken up in the middle of the night frightened by a noise, one that I had though was surely a bear near our camp. In the morning, I was informed that it had simply been Mr. Steigner snoring.

A fond memory I have is one day, Mr. Steigner had brought his guitar to school. He had played us a song that he wrote. It had something to do with the book we had just read.

Another fond memory is one day, Mr. Steigner made my class pasta. He was so proud of the fact he could share some of his heritage with us. He told us of how people in the army would have eaten this type of pasta during a war in Italy. He was happy to make us a cheesy pasta in the heat of Florida. He was very happy to prepare us a meal.

I will never forget how he would make jokes in class. Or how I could talk to him about my past. Or discuss the corruption in the world. Most of all, I won't forget how when I was going through a rough patch of life, he took time to talk to me and ask me what I was going through. Even though he took 3 months to grade our school work XD, He was always patient with my class, always kind and loving. He loved to share stories with us. It was such a blessing to have him as my teacher. He was a man of great faith and humor. I am sad that we have lost him with us physically, but it is comforting to know he is in heaven, where he can feel no pain, where he cannot be harmed.

Mr. Steigner, I pray heaven surpasses all your hopes and dreams. I am thankful I gto to spend the time with you that I did. Thank you for being such an amazing person. I pray to meet you again, in your new home with Jesus.

love and condolences,

Nayeli S - July 12, 2024 at 06:45 PM

KJ

“ We are remembering Ben today and lifting up the entire Steigner family in love and prayers and healing. Tim and Kathy Johnsen

Kathy and Tim Johnsen - July 12, 2024 at 09:16 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



July 11, 2024 at 08:02 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



July 11, 2024 at 04:19 PM

TF

“ The Fickett Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Abram Steigner.

The Fickett Family - July 11, 2024 at 04:19 PM

KS

“ Ginny and I are so sorry for this loss to the Steigner and Wong families. We are praying for you to find comfort and strength. So grateful for Ben and Monica’s faith and salvation. Rest in peace.
Kerry and Ginny Schoolfield

Kerry Schoolfield - July 11, 2024 at 12:54 PM

TF

“ The Alford Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



The Alford Family - July 11, 2024 at 08:51 AM

TF

“ The Alford Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Abram Steigner.

The Alford Family - July 11, 2024 at 08:51 AM

C.

“ Rest easy Ben. Your wit will be missed. Thank you.

C.E.R. - July 10, 2024 at 03:34 PM

WD

“ Ben and Monica came into my life during the pandemic, at a time I experienced challenges at work and difficulty committing to Incarnation Tallahassee's Worship Band. Without being asked, Ben stepped up to lead services or fill-in on guitar. Monica took over playing electric bass. This freed me up to attend church with my family and play bass on an as-needed basis. I always got a kick out of watching this big guy play a 3/4 size guitar and this little woman wielding a huge bass guitar. Their music was soulful and they were true pros making the music all about the service, not the performance. About the liturgy, not about them.

On several occasions, I was blessed to talk with Ben about a variety of topics not limited to philosophy, theology and current events. His sense of humor showed through the heaviest conversations. He was a natural icebreaker who clearly had no ego when talking to anyone. The way his big hands strummed or picked open chords on his little guitar was refreshing.

I was fortunate to play music with Monica. When I played bass, Monica often pulled out or played other instruments: Piano, accordion-- and while she was naturally humble, I know she wasn't intimidated. She was graceful, unassuming and kind.

These experiences informed our friendship and how we played together. I'll not forget how Ben and Monica helped me in my time of need and in too short a time, made a great impact on the lives of so many. They are much loved and will be greatly missed.

Warren Davis - July 10, 2024 at 02:33 PM

JR

“ Joyce and Roger purchased the Sweet Solace S pray for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



Joyce and Roger - July 10, 2024 at 02:18 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



July 10, 2024 at 01:53 PM

BT

“ Builders FirstSource - Tallahassee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



Builders FirstSource - Tallahassee - July 10, 2024 at 09:21 AM

MC

“ Mike & Lori Campbell purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Benjamin Abram Steigner.



Mike & Lori Campbell - July 09, 2024 at 04:09 PM

MC

“ Mike & Lori Campbell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Abram "Ben" Steigner.

Mike & Lori Campbell - July 09, 2024 at 04:09 PM

PC

“ It’s so very difficult to distill the joy that Ben would bring to a room in a single remembrance. But anyone who knew him would recognize his goofy snickering laugh—usually at a joke he amused himself with, or the way he’d awkwardly tilt his head and gaze deep into your eyes like a crazed bird after making some cringey remark, or the way his chin would wiggle when he was about to crack up or if he was flustered. His laughter was infectious as was his joy. He was erudite and had a beautiful way with words. But I think the thing I love most about Ben is his heart—he loved people, he loved to serve people. I feel fortunate to have been able to serve along side him at multiple points in our lives. Such a beautiful soul! The world is a bit sadder now...but I will always cherish your life and the joy you brought to mine and so many countless others.

Paul Chapman - July 08, 2024 at 11:55 PM

KN

I got to know Ben when he started working with our youth at Four Oaks Church. He was a light to our students with such a big heart and a big smile. My heart breaks for Ben and Monica’s family. Please know that there are many of us praying for all of you.

Kathy Norris - July 10, 2024 at 07:53 AM

DS

“ Ben was one of my favorite all time students. He had a great personality and love for everyone. His laughter was contagious. He will be missed by all.

Doug Stephens - July 08, 2024 at 04:32 PM