



Mr. Stephen P. Garnett

August 13, 1949 - March 21, 2026

Graveside services for Mr. Stephen P. Garnett, 76, of Austin, will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, April 4, 2026, at Rusk County Memorial Gardens with Rev. Dwain Knight officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home in Henderson.

Mr. Garnett passed away March 21, 2026, at his residence. He was born August 13, 1949, in Henderson to John Wade Garnett Sr., and Margaret Oliver Garnett. After graduating from Henderson High School, Stephen attended the University of Texas in Austin and received a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing. Mr. Garnett worked all over the country, helping open hotels and developing marketing campaigns for those hotels. Mr. Garnett enjoyed going to play golf and would head to the course any time he could, whether it was for personal pleasure or to entertain clients.

Mr. Garnett was preceded in death by his parents, John and Margaret Garnett.

Survivors include his brother, John Garnett and wife Robin; nephew, Sean Garnett and wife Judie; niece, Lynn Anthony and Gordon Anthony; great-nephews, Ashton, Braedon, Brendon, Jeremiah, Ian; and a host of other family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Research Hospital or to an animal shelter of your choice.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Rusk County Memorial Gardens

5013 US Hwy 259
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SS

“ *Susan Ann Summers lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Susan Ann Summers - May 02 at 10:52 AM

EH

“ *Steve was the best, my first DOS when I was a sales assistant back in Austin- boy could he tell a story and we stayed in touch until very recently. Prayers for his upbeat soul marching into heaven with Gabriel's Horn playing the eyes of Texas!*



Eric Hutchins - April 09 at 10:07 PM

DS

“ *Don Simmons lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Don Simmons - April 05 at 07:46 PM

JP

“ Janet Parker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Stephen P. Garnett



Janet Parker - April 03 at 11:57 PM

DL

“ Debbie Stone Lowry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Stephen P. Garnett



Debbie Stone Lowry - April 03 at 11:33 PM

AM

“ Steve was a cherished part of the Pebble Beach family and we're going to miss him. His wisdom, stories and laughter will always be remembered. We were fellow Seinfeld fans and often texted about which episode was on and laugh like crazy. I can hear his laugh right now and that is how I will always remember Steve. Love you PS.



Ann McAuliffe - April 03 at 04:16 PM

EM

“ Stephen Garnett was a beautiful man, and I was fortunate to work with him and to build a lovely friendship. He will be deeply missed. Elsie in San Antonio, TX

Elsie Martinez - April 03 at 03:21 PM

EM

“ *Elsie Martinez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Stephen P. Garnett*



Elsie Martinez - April 03 at 03:11 PM

CN

“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - April 02 at 12:52 AM

JM

“ I met Stephen while playing baseball and also while exploring. Little/Pony League ball...and peeking through the cracks in the wall of the General James Smith tomb or sunbathing on its roof. Stephen was always a friendly and gregarious kid, but he could be highly competitive..a stick of dynamite wrapped up in a compact package and overcoming a childhood illness, he became one of the best relief pitchers and on base hitters I ever knew.

During the early 1960's, Henderson put together an All Star ball team designed to play other surrounding towns: Kilgore, Greggton, Lufkin and others.

Dennard, Duncan, Garnett, Barry, Tommy Maddox, Ray Davis, Billy Bob..... Half of that team is now gone. Never lost a game!

I was one of the starting pitchers; blinding fastball but wild as a hare. If I could get through 3-4 innings and hand over a lead to Stephen to finish up the final 2-3..the game was ours.

The last season I played, I had a batting average in the b upper .400's. Lots of long hits, just knew I would win the batting title. But No..oh No! Along comes Stephen with all his short chopping Singles and took the title by 5 points. Thanks buddy!

Finally, and with even more admiration on my part, it was not uncommon to see him sporting a pretty girl on his arm.

What a guy..

James McNee (Skip) Miller - April 01 at 09:47 PM

LG

“ Linda Gooding lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett



Linda Gooding - April 01 at 04:10 PM

HM

“ *Hal Martin lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Hal Martin - March 31 at 07:14 PM

CK

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Cathy Green Kovschak - March 30 at 02:36 PM

PP

“ *Paul Powell lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Paul Powell - March 29 at 11:50 AM

PD

“ I have many childhood memories of Stephen. His smile lit up a room when he walked in. ... trying to keep up with him was like chasing a bottle rocket . His love of golf was what I recall the most with his buddies Tom & Joe. Last time we spoke was awhile back. We talked about his BBQ sauce. Always a sweetheart he sent me a case to try — Delicious Sauce. Missing him and I miss his awesome mom Margaret too. Mother (Miriam Wallace Powell) always thought the world of them.. My sincerest condolences to his family. He was a good one. Paula Powell Parish- Dorsey
And Gary Dorsey

Paula P Dorsey - March 27 at 05:57 PM

RM

“ I helped open the Hyatt Hill Country Resort with Steve. He was one of the funniest people I've ever known. It was a joy when you with him.



Renee Martinez - March 26 at 09:20 PM

LL

“ Steve was instrumental in securing great business when the Hyatt Hill Country Hotel opened. He was a person that was full of life and energy.

In addition to having the perfect “Jimmy Johnson “ hair he was a scratch golfer with a signature laugh. I have often spoken about how kind and generous Steve was on the golf course. For someone who was truly exceptional he would always take the time to gently help me on the golf course.

Steve had a personality that could easily fill a room and a laugh to follow it. He was one of a kind and those of us that had the opportunity to know him should be counted lucky.

He was a great entrepreneur and created a BBQ sauce that was sold commercially called Full of Bull.

Steve was a gem and loved by so many of us. A light has dimmed in his passing

Lauren Love - March 26 at 08:04 PM

KH

“ Mollie & Ken Hale



Ken Hale - March 26 at 03:26 PM

NR

“ Nelwyn Eastland Richardson
HHS Class of 1967



Nelwyn Richardson - March 26 at 01:41 PM

SC

“ *scott & Dawn crawford lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



scott & Dawn crawford - March 26 at 06:35 AM

D-

“ *Prayers for family
Donna Dorsey Aaron*



Donna J Aaron -Dorsey - March 25 at 08:45 PM

KP

“ *Steve and I opened the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque together in 1989, we became friends and golf friends too. Then later we opened the Hyatt Regency Hill Country resort together and became close friends and confidants. Steve was a great Texan and story teller, he entertained our children whenever we got together and our children felt the love Steve expressed. The Pilgrims loved Steve Garnett and he never missed a birthday of anyone in the family. We will miss him and his infectious laugh! God bless you my friend, with a heavy heart I say RIP*

Ken Pilgrim - March 25 at 06:25 PM

BG

Life is made up of light and darkness...Steve was a very bright light for me...the world was a better place with him in it...I will truly miss him.

Bob Gleeson - March 26 at 09:08 PM

JJ

“ *Jake Jordan lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Jake Jordan - March 25 at 06:10 PM

CK

“ *Cathy Green Kovschak lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Cathy Green Kovschak - March 25 at 05:51 PM

AH

“ *Aubrey Hammett lit a candle in memory of Stephen Garnett*



Aubrey Hammett - March 25 at 03:56 PM