



Jaron Edward Steward

December 24, 1981 - August 19, 2024

Jaron Edward Steward, Sr. was a Christmas miracle.

He was born on December 24, 1981, in Wilmington, Delaware, to Eddie Troublefield and the late Ruby Knight as one of their beloved six children. Growing up in Delaware, New Jersey, and Florida, Jaron was known affectionately by his family as "JD." Later in life, friends and colleagues would know him as "Steward," "Stu," or "Stew."

In Florida, Jaron attended Vernon High School, where he played football and forged lasting friendships. Even in those early days, it was clear that Jaron had a unique ability to connect with people.

After high school, he proudly served his country as a member of the Air Force, dedicating eight years to both active duty and the reserves. Messages from fellow military members show that Jaron exemplified the values of duty, respect, and integrity. His time in the military shaped him into a man of discipline and strength, yet he never lost the kindness, playfulness, or gentleness that defined him.

In 2016, Jaron made Georgia his home, and it was there that his life blossomed in new and beautiful ways. In 2020, he met the love of his life, Whitney Barfield. The couple married in December 2021 and were blessed

with their son, Jaron Jr., in July 2022. The two expect another son, “Baby J,” in December 2024. He is also the father to Taevyn, whom he welcomed in 2017.

Jaron loved being a dad. He embraced fatherhood with all his heart. There was nothing Jaron wouldn't do for his children. Jaron also loved the simple pleasures of life, from the laughter of friends and moments at home to spaghetti with cinnamon and the comfort of family.

But Jaron was more than just a husband, father, brother, and friend—he was a presence, a force of nature wrapped in quiet grace.

Jaron had a way of making everyone feel important, from his close-knit family to the coworkers who admired his work ethic and the way he always left things better than he found them. As a dedicated team member at R+L Carriers, Jaron's commitment was deeply appreciated by all who worked with him, and the company recognized him as a valued and integral part of their family. Jaron's sense of humor, kindness, and deep love for those around him were the hallmarks of his life.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ruby Knight, and his brother Phillip Steward.

Jaron went to be with the Lord on August 19, 2024. He leaves behind a legacy of love and cherished memories for his wife, Whitney Steward; their son, Jaron Jr., their baby on the way, “Baby J,” his son, Taevyn; his father Eddie Troublefield; his siblings, Nakema Steward (Anthony), Iesha Steward, Retha Steward-McNair (Juan), and Tony Johns (Tiffany); his father-in-law, Willie Barfield; and his mother-in-law, Debora Barfield. He left five nieces and nephews; cousins and friends; and devoted friends he called his brothers.

Jaron's gentle spirit, humor, and unwavering dedication to his loved ones will be deeply missed, but his memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. As we remember Jaron, we hold onto the lessons he taught us: to love deeply, to live with purpose, and to cherish every moment we have with the ones we love.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Atlanta Bible Baptist Church
1419 Peachcrest Road
Decatur, GA 30032-3065

Tribute Wall



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



August 26, 2024 at 10:57 AM



“ *Regis P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaron Edward Steward.*

Regis P. - August 25, 2024 at 02:42 AM



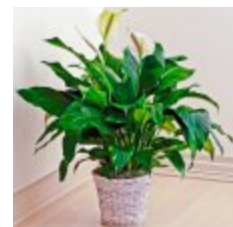
“ *It's hard to believe you're gone, JD. I'll always remember the last time I saw you, on that Sunday when we said goodbye. You told me you loved me, and I said it back. I never would have imagined it would be the last time. My heart aches with sorrow. RIP Love cousin Teresa 📍💔*



Teresa Chambers Simpson - August 24, 2024 at 08:58 PM



“ *Katresa Roberts and Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



Katresa Roberts and Family - August 24, 2024 at 06:15 PM

KF

“ *Katresa Roberts and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaron Edward Steward.*

Katresa Roberts and Family - August 24, 2024 at 06:15 PM

BC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Brandon Chambers - August 24, 2024 at 01:04 PM

SR

“ *Sharnika&Reginald, Mikaya, Mya, Reigden purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



Sharnika&Reginald, Mikaya, Mya, Reigden - August 23, 2024 at 05:08 PM

PF

“ *Patrice Tanner & Family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



Patrice Tanner & Family - August 23, 2024 at 02:46 PM

CC

“ *City of Chipley purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



City of Chipley - August 23, 2024 at 02:41 PM

CC

“ *Jaron, you will be truly missed by all who loved you! Charles, Clarice & Jonathan Chambers.*



CLARICE CHAMBERS - August 22, 2024 at 08:53 PM

BF

“ *Beverly King & Family lit a candle in memory of Jaron Edward Steward*



Beverly King & Family - August 22, 2024 at 07:06 PM



“ *Blue & White Mixed Half Casket Cover was purchased for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



August 22, 2024 at 12:45 PM

YC

“ Your GSU Crew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaron Edward Steward.

Your GSU Crew - August 22, 2024 at 12:45 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.



August 22, 2024 at 12:40 PM

RW

“ Ronnie Ward purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.



Ronnie Ward - August 22, 2024 at 12:38 PM

RW

“ Ronnie Ward planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaron Edward Steward.

Ronnie Ward - August 22, 2024 at 12:38 PM

NF

“ Naria Frazer & Family purchased the Sincerest Sorrow Blue & White for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.



Naria Frazer & Family - August 22, 2024 at 11:34 AM

JM

“ Cousin ... i don't know what to say Im heartbroken. Never in a million years would i have thought this would happen to you.. i know they say we shouldn't question god but I really am at the moment. I went and sat at Phil grave yesterday and talked to him telling him he better had open arms when you came through those gates. HMMMM i love you and i refuse to say goodbye I'll see you later and watch over your beautiful family
Love - Jaz

Jazmin Morrison - August 22, 2024 at 10:07 AM

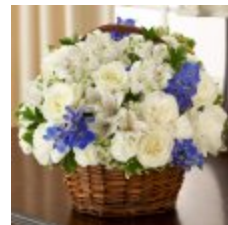
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Love cousin Teresa 💔📱

Teresa Chambers Simpson - August 24, 2024 at 08:08 AM

CM

“ Chris and Natalie Minikon purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.



Chris and Natalie Minikon - August 22, 2024 at 10:06 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jaron Edward Steward.*



August 22, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ *Keith Bowie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaron Edward Steward.*

Keith Bowie - August 22, 2024 at 09:40 AM