Stephen Allen Mason

Ivor, VA
01.10.1982 - 06.16.2020
Birthplace: Virginia

Stephen Allen Mason, 38, of Ivor, Virginia passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Born January 10, 1982 in Hampton, Va., he was the youngest son of Edward Allen Mason, Jr. and Margaret Jane “Janie” Persinger Mason. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Nancy Jane Persinger, Edward Allen Mason, Sr., and Elma Dean Bryant Mason; aunt, Nina Lou Persinger and uncle Donald R. Bracey. Most recently he had lost his only niece, Kaleigha Paige Mason, with whom he shared a special bond.

Along with his parents, left to cherish his memory are his siblings, Edward “Shane” Allen Mason, III, and Crystal Lynn Mason; nephews, Nathan Mason, Eli Mason, Caleb Mason, Jetti Mason and Brylee Dean Mason; great-nephew, Joshua Taylor “J.T.” Benton; uncles, Douglas Wayne Mason (Judl), Randy Persinger (DeLayne), Freddie Persinger (Shirley); aunt, Teresa Bracey; childhood singing partner and “adopted sister”, Shannon McCook; several cousins and extended family and many precious friends. He will be deeply missed by all that knew him.

Stephen formally worked at Busch Gardens as a lead supervisor and was working toward a career in the medical field at the time of his death.

Stephen had a huge heart and touched many lives by simply being himself. He had a special way of believing in the potential of those he loved, often helping them believe in themselves. He very rarely meant a stranger and was always ready, offering friendship, love, and support.
Stephen loved to perform and was very proud of his beautiful Tenor Voice. He began singing in Hampton Roads wherever he could at around the age of 10. One of his favorite places early on was "Donk's Theater, Virginia's Lil' Ole Opry" where he would frequently enter into their singing competition. By the age of 15, he had formed a partnership with Shannon McCook, and was performing up and down the East Coast as "A Lil Bit of Country". Together they performed at The Grand Olde Opry in Nashville, TN and at "The Pageant of Peace" for the White House Park Services in Washington D.C.

While attending Southampton High School he also studied Opera at the Governors School for the Arts at Old Dominion University, graduating from both in 2001. From there he went on to attend Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va. Stephen was a member of the Virginia Opera where he performed as a Tenor for 2 years.

While in high school he was cast as the Lion in Franklin Little Theaters production of "The Wiz". He then went on to perform in a number of plays and musical productions with Thomas Nelson Theater, Norfolk Little Theater, Smithfield Little Theater and Williamsburg Little Theater. The majority of his community theater credits are with (PCT)Peninsula Community Theater, his home theater. In addition to performing in numerous plays and musicals at PCT he also was known to frequently run the Orchestron. He was also the Director of "Always, Patsy Cline" and the one act opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors"

A Graveside service will be held at Ivor Cemetery on Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 11:00 am, by Rev. Steven Brown. Following the service, the family invites you to join them in a Celebration of Life at 70 East Windsor Blvd. Windsor, VA. The family requests casual attire for the service. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to Ivor Rescue Squad. The family is being served by R.W. Baker & Co. Funeral Home, Wakefield Chapel where condolences may be registered at RWBakerFH.com.

Cemetery

**Start Time:** Saturday, July 11, 2020 - 11:00am
Ivor Cemetery
Ivor Road
Ivor, VA 23866
United States

**Google Maps Link**
Directions to Ivor Cemetery
(https://www.google.com/maps/search/Ivor+Cemetery,+Ivor+Road,+Ivor,+VA+23866,+US/@17z)

Guestbook

**Ron cornwell**
**Wed, 07/01/2020 - 02:08pm**
So sorry. He was a flame that lit wherever he was
Ron cornwell

**Lanette**
**Wed, 07/01/2020 - 02:26pm**
Sorry for your loss.
Lanette

**Joni Joyner**
**Wed, 07/01/2020 - 03:23pm**
Gene and I are thinking of all of you. We thought so much of him and really enjoyed his singing.
Joni Joyner

**Brenda David/Reveal**
**Wed, 07/01/2020 - 08:25pm**
We are still in shock that this has happened. Stephen was a beautiful soul and was called home way too early. He is going to be missed by us. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Words cannot express how sorry we are for yours and our loss of a great friend and family member.
Brenda David/Reveal
I will remember Stephen for his wonderful voice. I always loved hearing him sing!

Sharon Patterson

We are truly sadden to hear of this. God needed another strong voice to sing in his home.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Take Care of each other during this sad time.

Phyllis, Nancy & Family

Words cant describe how a feel about Stephen’s passing. He is in a much better place now.

Holly LaBelle

Australia to investigate online dating sites

Australia’s consumer watchdog will investigate major online dating websites as part of a major international initiative, Media seen on Monday.

The Australian opponents and Consumer Commission will look at confusing pricing, Misleading product recognition campaigns, And contracts with unfair problems, The Sydney afternoon Herald said.

The agency has brought nearly 1,770 issues about dating and romance scams that have led to losses https://www.bestbrides.net/asiame-reviews/ of about 16 million Australian dollars (somewhere around 14.5 million US cash) this realisation year, It being said. in the 2013, The figure was 25 million australian dollars.

"we think that's just the tip of the iceberg, fees Deputy Chairwoman Delia Rickard was quoted as saying.

some people have lost 100,000 Australian dollars in online dating scams, She documented. Those include extortion by people prowling dating websites to obtain "passionate videos" From naive members.

The wider research was initiated by the International Consumer Protection and Enforcement Network and involves more than 50 consumer protection agencies worldwide, The publication said.

He was always such a good singer in high school. I'll never forget his performance in The Wiz. I'm sorry to hear of his passing.

Julie