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Joseph Stevens Dozier III of Panama City Beach Florida, died suddenly at his home on Sunday, November 20, 2016. Previously he was from Fort Myers, Florida. Joe was born in Montgomery, Alabama on June 7, 1972 and lived there until he moved to Ft. Myers, Florida with his family in 1989. He graduated from Fort Myers High School and later graduated from Culinary Art Institute in Panama City Florida as a chef with a degree in Restaurant Management. He was employed at the Red Bar and Grill in Sea Grove Beach, Florida. Joe loved life and lived it to the fullest. Joe never met a stranger and gave freely of himself and his worth to help those in need. As a friend, he was always there for you. Joe loved beautiful scenery especially sunsets. Joe was a devoted son, brother, uncle, husband, nephew, cousin and a friend to many. Joe is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Skinner and his paternal grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Dozier. Joe is survived by his parents Mr. & Mrs. Joseph S. Dozier Jr., his sister Jeanne Dozier Bartlett (Tyler), his nephew Dozier Bruce Bartlett, and his wife Paulina Dozier. (Ft. Myers FL) Other survivors include aunts, uncles, cousins and a multitude of friends. Pallbearers will be Mr. Tyler Bartlett, Mr. Brent Brookhyser, Mr. Richard Bourland, Mr. Grady Dozier, Mr. Woody Dozier and Mr. Chris Rakos with Mr. George Mitchell Dozier as honorary pallbearer. The family will receive visitors on Friday, December 2, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:00 PM in the chapel at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Ft. Myers, FL 33907, (239) 936-0555. A memorial service will be held at St. Hillary's Episcopal Church at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday December 3, 2016 at 5011 McGregor Blvd. Ft. Myers FL. with a reception following in the Parish Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made in Joseph Stevens Dozier III's name to St. Hillary's Episcopal Church; 5011 McGregor Blvd. Ft. Myers FL. 33901 or the Boxer Rescue Angels of Florida. <https://www.facebook.com/boxerrescueangelsflorida> To share a



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story, leave a tribute or to offer condolences to the family, please visit Joseph's memorial webpage at www.fortmyersmemorial.com and sign his guestbook.



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NK

Nick Kellen posted:

Jeannie, Just logged into my Facebook and read of your sons passing. Your right, a parent should never loose a child. But God, must have another plan for him. His earthly work is done, he now is God's angel working for him. So, as I always say to people, you never say good bye, you say, until we meet again. May God give you and your family the strength to over come this by sustaining the memories you hold near and dear to your heart. Where as your son will always be in that special place in your heart. Never lost or forgotten but with you until you both reunite in heaven, God Bless you and your family, Always, Nick Kellen

December 4 at 2:30 PM

LD

Lisa Desmond posted:

I've known J.D. for about 15 years. Back when MySpace was relevant he came to me one day and said he "needs" a friend on MySpace called superstar! I told him that I don't need a MySpace account at all, however in true J.D. fashion, he insisted and before I knew it I had a profile as Lisa superstar! So from that day forward he called me superstar and I called him Fabulous! He loved it! We had a true friendship! moved to London for a few years and my last night in the states I spent with him. While I was gone he would regularly check in on my parents without me even asking. When I was homesick he sent me care packages filled with things I missed from home. When my son Lucas was born he shopped like a madman and sent a huge box of things for him. When my family returned to the states with only our suitcases in tow, he was there once again collecting furniture and helping us set up our home! He was there for my entire family when my dad passed away and when my little sister was going through a divorce he would check in with her just to see if she needed someone to talk to. As we sat in church today saying our last goodbyes, I realized just how lucky I was to have had him in my life. He was the epitome of a true friend and for this I thank the Dozier' s for raising such an amazing man! He touched many of us in a profound way and he will be sorely missed! My love and condolences to the entire Dozier family! I will always love you Joe Dozier! Xo

December 3 at 11:41 AM

RM

Rick Mangold posted:

Little Joe You're an amazing person. I'll never forget our bond and friendship. I'll always remember you. The stories I tell, are of memories of our times together. Thanks for the Smiles you brought me and my family.

December 2 at 5:25 PM



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BK

Barbara Curley Nutt Koeplinger posted:

We extend our sincere sympathy to you Joe and Jeanne. We are sure you are in shock and we are also sure your great faith and beliefs will care you through until you meet again! We will pray for you to both heal with time and celebrate Joe's life! Keep the faith and if you need to ever talk, I am here to listen. You have been there for me and I will always be there for you. Warm regards, Barbara and Lee Koeplinger

December 2 at 12:29 PM

MI

Mike posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Joseph Stevens Dozier

December 2 at 4:12 AM

KM

Keith Martin posted:

I only met Little Joe a few times. He was warm and friendly on each occasion. Joe and Jeanne, the loss of a child is a very hard experience. I am comforted by God's words in Isaiah 40:11. "He gathers his lambs in his arms and carries them close to His heart." We will remember you in our prayers to our almighty creator God, who loves us enough to hold us close to His heart. Keith and Judy Martin

November 30 at 8:28 AM

PS

Pat Sabatino posted:

To the Dozier Family Through Paulina we had the pleasure to become acquainted with Joe. What a remarkable young man. Joe came to our home on Fort Myers Beach several times. He always was a great help in the kitchen. To Paulina and the Dozier Family our deepest sympathy on his passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Pat Sabatino and Norma Crawford Summerville, SC

November 30 at 5:37 AM



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OP

Oliver Petit posted:

My name is Oliver Petit, I am of of the owner of the Redbar restaurant. Joe worked with us for the last 5 years , at first during the lunch service, he would clock out and rush to Cafe 30A for the night shift, often pulling 14 hour days. Two years ago he left Cafe30 A and came on full time at The Redbar, to my delight. What can I say about Joe's work ethic besides impeccable and professional.... Joe was one of the very best server I have ever worked with, his fine dining training always aparant, the well traveled , sophisticated, charming men he was. He will forever be mist . The impact he had on all of us at work will live on through each one of us he touched and there are many. Joe Dozier you were an original and a great leader to all of us at the Redbar. So long pal . Sincerely Oliver Petit.

November 29 at 4:29 PM

DM

Dixie Lee Mccollaum posted:

I am so sorry.

November 29 at 3:11 PM

SC

Susan Costello posted:

Joe was more than a friend to me and my sons. I thought of Joe as a son and my boys also loved him like a brother. He was by our side when my husband passed away. I will always remember Joe for all the delicious meals, especially his famous smoked ribs. Joe, we will miss you, life will not be the same. See you on the other side. Love you always Susan Costello

November 28 at 1:44 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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