



## Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean

November 6, 1960 - March 4, 2024

Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean of Lakeland, Florida, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Monday, March 4, 2024, following a private cancer battle over the past year. She was 63.

Stephanie was born in Pensacola, Florida, to the late John H. Schill, Jr., and Gloria Gabriel Schill. She attended Sacred Heart School, where, in first grade, she made 3 of her lifelong best friends. At Catholic High School, she made 5 more, and her commitment to community involvement came to life through swim, softball, soccer, Bleacher Bums Pep Club, yearbook, drama and disco clubs, Volunteen, and peer counseling.

It was in college, at the University of South Alabama, that Stephanie studied Education, joined Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, held multiple leadership positions and planned a million events, but most importantly, met, and later, married Greg McLean. For 42 years the two were inseparable in their love and support for each other and their families and friends, and most especially for their beautiful and brilliant daughter, Mallory Ann.

There may be some that are equal, but none more energetic, passionate, and committed to positivity and community involvement than Stephanie. To her mother, she was “Merry Sunshine,” and her father forever proclaimed: If you want something done wrong, don’t ask Stephanie to do it.

Her choices enacted the Butterfly Effect, creating connections and change, with all of her ideas and efforts, large and small, bringing people together and spinning happiness, energy, and change in every step, every day.

Stephanie did not judge; she solved. She was unwavering and loyal, gracious and kind, exponentially generous, endlessly motivated, and always, always in charge. At the ready with lists and binders so not a detail was ever missed, and no person was overlooked.

Stephanie loved tailgates, parties, celebrations, and turning anything into a celebration, particularly when she could plan and host. In no particular order, she adored porch flags, door wreaths, cocktail napkins, marching bands, fresh flowers, pedicures, college football, Lily Pulitzer, cats, and Jimmy Buffett. Nowhere made her happier than the beach.

Always leading by example, Stephanie was devoted to physical fitness. Meticulous nutrition, 3-mile walks, boot camp were part of her daily routine. She never missed a screening.

Stephanie worked as hard as she played and was an unstoppable force in her work for multiple organizations in the Lakeland area, including Good Shepherd Hospice, Prevent Blindness Florida, the LRH Foundation. Nearest to her heart, though, and for 25 years, was the American Cancer Society. Her passion was greatest and most visionary in creating and leading healthcare partnerships to benefit cancer patients throughout the state of Florida.

And after work, Stephanie worked some more. She belonged to so many organizations and sat on so many boards! Those included Junior Leagues of Pensacola and Greater Lakeland, fulfilling a 2-year term as President, and then in an advisory role as Sustainer; VISTA, Kiwanis of Lakeland, Learning Resource Center, Leadership Lakeland, South Lakeland Rotary, Association of Fundraising Professionals, Tampa Bay Planned Giving Council, Lakeland

Campfire USA, and Lakeland Boys & Girls Club. And, what you read here is a surface-scratch, a mere composite. Stephanie was so much more than the sum of her accomplishments.

Stephanie was preceded in death by her parents, John and Gloria Schill, and is survived by her husband, Greg, their daughter, Mallory Frechette (Dylan), and their special light and love, granddaughter, Margot James; her brother, Lawrence Schill, and sister, Alexandra Bach (Cliff Wilson); nieces, Zoe Bach and Carolyn Schill Sweeney (Andrew) and nephews, Madison Schill, Ethan Schill, and George Bach, and great-nephew, Patterson Sweeney; countless friends including the Lakeland Ladies with whom she relished daughter-raising, lake-walking, summer beach vacations, and a host of other adventures.

And, by leaving us on March fourth, she quietly gave us that final set of instructions: March forth and do all the good things, big and small, to continue to change the world.

The family would like to thank Stephanie's care team at the Hollis Cancer Center, and for her comfort at the end, Good Shepherd Hospice.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, March 15, 10:45 am, at Resurrection Catholic Church in Lakeland. A celebration on Pensacola Beach will be held in December, just the way Stephanie liked it.

In lieu of flowers, please continue Stephanie's ACS legacy with contributions to the Hope Lodge in Tampa.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

MAR 15. 10:45 AM (ET)

Resurrection Catholic Church  
3720 Old Hwy 37  
Lakeland, FL 33813

# Tribute Wall

PD

“ My heart sinks. Stephanie was a bright light, a shining star, a smiling face. She lifted everyone up! My deepest sympathy to Greg and Mallory. Heaven is much brighter now.

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**Paul Dyer** - November 15, 2024 at 09:37 AM

DJ

“ My condolences to Stephanie’s family and her many many friends. I was fortunate to work with her for several years through her ACS work at the Tampa VA. Her positivity and energy was an inspiration to all. I witnessed a number of times when she manage to turn lemons into lemonade, a quote she reminded me all to often. The world will be less bright without her but there is a star up above shining brighter.

*Dr. Dawn Johnson*

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**Dr. Dawn Johnson** - March 18, 2024 at 11:36 AM

WJ

“ Stephanie was one of the first colleagues I met in 2012, and since, has been so much more than a respected partner. Stephanie’s magnetic personality was one that lifted anyone on any day. And her action-oriented approach to life was contagious. I am in constant awe of how she kept a finger on the pulse of so many things, and I cherish our conversations which inevitably sparked “Wendy, I have an idea.” Up for any challenge and a pillar of knowledge, Stephanie shared graciously and taught daily. Leading with kindness, love for her community and others, we are forever better by having Stephanie in our life.

*Sending much love and prayers for healing strength,  
Wendy Johnson*

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**Wendy Johnson** - March 15, 2024 at 07:44 AM

MN

“ Mike Nichols planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.

Mike Nichols - March 14, 2024 at 03:56 PM

MN

“ Mike Nichols purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.



Mike Nichols - March 14, 2024 at 03:56 PM

EM

“ Emma McBride-Taylor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.

Emma McBride-Taylor - March 14, 2024 at 03:11 PM

EM

“ Emma McBride-Taylor purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.



Emma McBride-Taylor - March 14, 2024 at 03:11 PM

SJ

“ St. Jude purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.



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**St. Jude** - March 14, 2024 at 10:38 AM

RC

“ Rich Corcoran planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.

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**Rich Corcoran** - March 14, 2024 at 07:43 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.



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March 14, 2024 at 07:43 AM

RC

“ Dear cousin, I'm sorry you left us so soon. I have many a great memories spending time with you, Lawrence, and Sandy in Pensacola in the summer time. I always looked forward to those trips with our family. You were such a ray of sunshine and always laughing and smiling. Godspeed and God Bless your family. Most of us will see you soon. Rest in Peace Stephanie.  
Rich Corcoran

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**Rich Corcoran** - March 14, 2024 at 07:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*



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March 13, 2024 at 06:59 PM



“ *Love, the Laritz and Cobb families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*

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**Love, the Laritz and Cobb families** - March 13, 2024 at 06:59 PM



“ *Cousin Bonnie and Randy Rhodebeck planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*

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**Cousin Bonnie and Randy Rhodebeck** - March 13, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ *Cousin Bonnie and Randy Rhodebeck purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*



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**Cousin Bonnie and Randy Rhodebeck** - March 13, 2024 at 01:38 PM

TF

“ *The French Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*

**The French Family** - March 12, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*



March 12, 2024 at 08:09 PM

SM

“ *Greg, Mallory, Matt, Nancy, Rick and family. We are so sorry to hear of the home going of Stephanie and pray that God will give you His peace, strength and comfort during this time of loss. We love your family and will continue to pray for you. The Butler girls (Susan, Lee Ann, Betty)*

**Susan McConnell** - March 11, 2024 at 03:08 PM

MM

“ *To know Stephanie was to love her. As her colleague at ACS, her light from within brought strength to my own from the second I met her. I will March fourth in her honor.*

**Morgan Marietti** - March 11, 2024 at 01:27 PM

KO

“*March forth and do all the good things, big and small, to continue to change the world.*” No quote could be more appropriate to the love, dedication, and passion with which Stephanie sought her goals, strived to make an impact, and lived her life. I enjoyed working by her side on CBB. She will be celebrated at each and every CBB, having left her indelible mark on the event and Hope Lodge. Thank you, Stephanie, for being you!

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**Ken Park and the Team at Oktane** - March 11, 2024 at 10:52 AM

HP

“*I’m devastated I won’t be able to attend Stephanie’s service. I’m heartbroken to hear this and have spent the day thinking about so many memorable moments of my life that included Stephanie. The fact that she was the reason I was hired at LRMC, our Carnival Cruise trip where we stayed in the Presidential suite, and so many events and projects. I never hear a “Woohooo” without thinking of Stephanie and I laugh every time I think of her sage wisdom...fat always looks better tan! I’ll never forget the love and care Stephanie and Greg gave me in one of the lowest points of my life. Welcoming me into your home for days and watching reruns of friends. I’m forever grateful and so sad to see this.*”

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**Holly Parrish** - March 08, 2024 at 07:54 PM

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“*Terry and Doyle Music Madison GA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*”

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**Terry and Doyle Music Madison GA** - March 08, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephanie Ann (Schill) McLean.*



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March 08, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Mallory and Family, I'm so terribly sorry for your loss. Stephanie was always so kind and friendly to work with. She was definitely the work mom for a lot of us and she was always there to help. She loved being a mom and a grandma. Taken too soon <3 Sending love. - Liz Evans*

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**Liz Evans** - March 08, 2024 at 10:32 AM



*My sincere condolences to her family & all of her friends. She was a sweet person & I know she will be missed by all who knew her. RIP Stephanie*❤️

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**Linda Yoder** - March 08, 2024 at 01:48 PM



*Shocked and saddened don't come close describing my emotions having just read about Stephanie. I share my friend Holly's sincere sentiments posted yesterday. Stephanie was simply a true friend, one you knew you could always turn to, one that cared about you as much as you cared about her, one of those whose path crosses yours and you go through life knowing how fortunate you were for that chance encounter. My sincere condolences to Greg and Mallory and the rest of her family. Stephanie was a lovely lady and friend.*

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**Hollis Hooks** - March 09, 2024 at 11:03 PM

BH

*I have known Stephanie for many years and worked closely with her at Lakeland Regional Cancer Center, now the Hollis Cancer Center. I will always cherish fond memories of those years, especially her welcoming personality, radiant smile, and her compassionate and generous spirit. Her optimism made even the darkest days seem full of promise and light. Despite her illness, Stephanie gave a beautiful speech at a breast cancer seminar last October. I was so grateful to her for sharing her knowledge and expertise at the event. To her family, I wish you comfort, peace, and strength during this difficult time.*

*Barbara Harrison*

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**Barbara Harrison** - March 13, 2024 at 11:13 AM