Stephen David Turner



In Loving Memory of Stephen David Turner – July 27, 1982 – April 17, 2010

Stephen was born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, to David and Gloria (Godfrey) Turner.

Stephen lived in Charlottetown for the first 3 years of his life then moved with his family to Sackville, N.B. Where he lived until he finished high school. He attended elementary and junior high school in Sackville and graduated from Tantramar Regional High School. He played hockey, curled, attended Sunday School and was involved in Boy Scouts as he grew up. He also had a great love for politics and attended his first political meeting when he was approximately 12 years old.

Following high school he returned back to Prince Edward Island where his heart wanted him to be. He attended Holland College for 2 years studying Hotel Restaurant Management. His internship saw him working at the Digby Pines in Nova Scotia for 2 summers. He enjoyed this a lot. Upon graduation from Holland College he went to China with Holland College staff to promote college programs in that country. This was a wonderful experience for him. He later went to work at the Kananaskis Resort in Alberta. He did like to travel! Following this he attended the University of Prince Edward Island for 2 years. He received a bachelor's degree of Business in Tourism and Hospitality. Sadly he passed away a month before graduation but the University presented the degree to his family.

Stephen was loved by many. He passed away at 27 years of age but had accomplished a lot in his short years.

At the time of Stephen's passing, he was the Executive Assistant to the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development, Hon. Doug Currie.

The following statement was delivered in the PEI Legislative Assembly by Honourable Doug Currie on Tuesday, April 20, 2010:

Madame Speaker, I rise today to offer my sincere condolences to the family of Stephen Turner, who died suddenly over the weekend.

As you know, Stephen very capably attended to the needs of my constituents in District 11over the past few years.

Stephen was a kind, compassionate and dependable young man with a very bright future.

His consistent, good-natured ability to see the best in people and circumstances won him tremendous personal and professional respect.

His strength of character was clearly defined by his solid work ethic and by his genuine desire to do what was and good and right for others.

Madame Speaker, Stephen Turner was a generous, caring gift to all of us.

He was passionately committed to his family, his friends and his community. His cheerful, positive, larger-than-life personality will be missed by all who were fortunate to have known him. My heart goes out to his grandmother, Audrey; to his parents David and Gloria; and to his sister, Kathy Ann.

I want them to know, that they can be very proud of the person Stephen had become.

I hope they will find strength in knowing this in the days ahead.

Thank you Madame Speaker