

# Mattie Stepanek

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Sunset is still my favorite color, and rainbow is second.

~Mattie Stepanek

Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.

~Mattie Stepanek

Sad things happen. They do. But we don't need to live sad forever.

~Mattie Stepanek

While we are living in the present, we must celebrate life every day, knowing that we are becoming history with every work, every action, every deed.

~Mattie Stepanek

Keep all special thoughts and memories for lifetimes to come. Share these keepsakes with others to inspire hope and build from the past, which can bridge to the future.

~Mattie Stepanek

I choose to live until death, not spend the time dying until death occurs.

~Mattie Stepanek

If you have enough breath to complain about anything, you have more than enough reason to give thanks about something.

~Mattie Stepanek

Remember to play after every storm.

~Mattie Stepanek

Even though the future seems far away, it is actually beginning right now.

~Mattie Stepanek

People are fighting over how our heartsongs are different. But they don't need to be the same. That's the beauty. We are a mosaic of gifts. Each of us has our inner beauty no matter how we look.

~Mattie Stepanek

We always have to choose to live our lives to the fullest. No one is better or worse than anyone else. We are different and beautiful.

~Mattie Stepanek

Remember to look at your glass half full and not half empty. A lot of my strength comes from God. God has given me a gift - the gift of life - and it's amazing that I live each day.

~Mattie Stepanek

Do not breathe simply to exist.

~Mattie Stepanek

There can be many different views of what Heaven is like, because Heaven is whatever makes each person eternally and fully happy.

~Mattie Stepanek

I think that someone is watching out for me, God, my guardian angel, I'm not sure who that is, but they really work hard.

~Mattie Stepanek

I feel that God has given me a very special opportunity that I should not let go to waste. I use the gift he has given me.

~Mattie Stepanek

I want to be remembered as a poet, a peacemaker, and a philosopher who played.

~Mattie Stepanek

I never question God. Sometimes I say, 'Why me? Why do I have such

a hard life? Why do I have this disease? Why do I have siblings who died?' But then I think and say, 'Why not me?'

~Mattie Stepanek

Poetry is a beautiful way of expressing feelings - happy, sad, angry, caring. It's also a way that we share with other people, to help them with those feelings.

~Mattie Stepanek

I want to keep publishing books, and writing and spreading my heartsong through the world.

~Mattie Stepanek

You know, it's kind of hard because I really - I see kids on their Rollerblades and their bikes, and just running around, climbing trees, and I used to do that. And I loved doing that.

~Mattie Stepanek

You can't lie down in the ashes of another person's life.

~Mattie Stepanek

Wars should be fought with words, not bombs, not weapons. And calm words. I think that wars should be fought over a chessboard and a cup of something to drink.

~Mattie Stepanek

I've gotten books published. I've met famous people that are very nice. I look back and I say, 'Wow. Thank you, God, for giving me this gift. And thank you for helping me to keep going.'

~Mattie Stepanek

My life mission is to spread peace to the world.

~Mattie Stepanek

We're divorced from my father because he did some mean and scary things to us.

~Mattie Stepanek

God gives me hope that there is something greater than us, something better and bigger than the here and now, that can help us live.

~Mattie Stepanek

It's the song in your heart that wants you to help make yourself a better person, and to help other people do the same. Everybody has one.

~Mattie Stepanek

I do fear death. But what I actually fear is not dying. I mean, true, it will be sad. But I know that there is a better place waiting for me.

~Mattie Stepanek

Expressing my feelings and then the opportunity to share it with others is just such a gift.

~Mattie Stepanek

...if you live feeling like Your glass is half empty, well, It may as well be empty all the way.

~Mattie Stepanek

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