



About Sharing “Mattie Reflections” & Statements

A cause for sainthood in the Catholic Church rests on the idea that the individual has lived a life of heroic virtue, namely pursuing or choosing the good in difficult circumstances.

The Mattie J.T. Stepanek Guild welcomes “Mattie Reflections” and Statements of Support from people of all ages, abilities, nationalities, and faiths.

Those who directly knew Mattie J.T. Stepanek are asked to share their specific remembrances of how he lived a holy life.

Those who knew or know of Mattie through his media appearances, writings, or public ministry are invited to share their experience of his holiness.

Simply follow the three steps below and share how knowing Mattie, or knowing *about* him, has inspired you to live as a better person, and/or led you to a closer relationship with God.



Reflect

- **How did/do you know or know of Mattie?**
Is there a quote or a conversation, an experience or appearance that is memorable and meaningful?
- **Prayerfully and carefully reflect** on your remembrance and share the most important facts.

Respond

- **A statement does not need to be long, but it does need to be specific.**
Statements may be hand-written or typed, but they must be signed by person sharing information.
- **A reflection or statement** is most effective when specific dates, locations, conversations, realizations, and other details are shared.
- **Offering specific information about something Mattie said or did – and how that has inspired or impacted or changed you – is most helpful to the Guild.**
- It is suggested that you number each paragraph or line so that it is more easily cited by the Guild.

Reach Out

- **IMPORTANT:** Please end/close your statement with this phrase:
'I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.'
- **IMPORTANT:** Sign your name AND write your name AND date the document, AND please give us a way to contact you (address / phone / email).
- **Please mail paper/print copies of reflections and statements to**
Mattie J.T. Stepanek Guild
PO Box 674, Kensington, MD 20895
- **Please send signed/scanned/electronic copies to** INFO@MattieMatters.org.

Thank you for lifting up Mattie's Cause for Sainthood with your reflection and testimony statement.

