



## Blake Ryan Newman

February 23, 1994 - April 19, 2016

Blake Ryan Newman, at the age of 22, was taken home suddenly to our Lord and Savior Tuesday, April 19, 2016 due to a tragic vehicle accident. He is survived by his mother Vanessa Widner LeBlanc and husband David LeBlanc of Round Rock, TX; father David Ryan Newman and wife Sandy Newman of Huntsville, TX. Blake is also survived by his siblings: One sister, Morgan Taylor Newman; Brothers: Gus Newman, Kale LeBlanc and Zane LeBlanc. Grandparents: David and Gloria Newman of Huntsville, TX; Martin Jr and Bobbie Widner of Huntsville, TX; Theresa and Ray Welsh of Splendora, TX; Great-Grandmother Lou Cude of Splendora, TX; Lloyd LeBlanc of Austin, TX; Lisa LeBlanc of Louisiana; Ray and Charlene Mulvaney of Austin, TX; Mike and Debbie Skidmore of Huntsville, TX; Great-Grandma Mary Jo Pool of Huntsville, TX; Wayne and Debbie Pool of Richards, TX. Uncles and Aunts include Josh and Morgan Newman of Willis, TX; Sarah and Sam Hardin of Humble, TX; Samantha Heil of The Woodlands, TX; Adina and Shaun Ogden of Conroe, TX; Brandie Coleman of Splendora, TX; Allison and Joshua Wilson of Bryan, TX; Kim LeBlanc of Austin, TX; Lawrence LeBlanc of Colorado; Nathan LeBlanc of California; Christopher LeBlanc of Louisiana; Sharon and Michael Sheppard of New York; Misty and James Henry of Huntsville, TX; Joe and Katy Tyler of Huntsville, TX; Suzy and Gary Riley of Richards, TX; Wayne Jr and Crystal Pool of Huntsville, TX. Blake also leaves behind many cousins and countless friends that were all very special to him.

Blake is preceded in death by his great-grandparents David and Thelma Newman of Huntsville, TX; Bernice and Pauline Thompson of Indiana, Martin Sr. and Ethel Widner of Huntsville, TX; Ed Cude of Splendora, TX and Mary Etta Yates of Huntsville, TX.

Blake was born in Conroe, Texas to his parents Vanessa Widner LeBlanc and David Ryan Newman on February 23, 1994. He was loved and adored by all who knew him. He loved life and adored his family and friends. Blake grew up in Cedar Park, Texas where he attended Summit Christian Academy and played football at Cedar Park High School. Blake had such a brilliant mind and was knowledgeable about many things. He had excellent grades. He also loved Roller Hockey, played with the Round Rock Knights, and got a chance to take part in the Junior Olympics. The summer before his sophomore year

of high school, Blake moved to Huntsville. He loved Huntsville and the simple things. He attended Huntsville High School and worked for Huntsville Farm Supply part-time. After graduating in 2012, he decided to pursue a career in the oilfield. He hated to be gone from home, from his family, but he was very self-motivated and driven. After 3 years in the oilfield, he decided to make a change, and he took a job at Ball Canning in Conroe where he had worked nearly a year. He liked his job, and he especially loved the fact that he did not have to spend any more nights away from home.

Blake also loved his friends. Their time spent together was centered around working on their trucks. Many of the diesel trucks in this community have been touched and worked on by Blake at some point. It was what he loved to do. Make them loud and make them fast... and they definitely had to leave behind a trail of thick black smoke. He was so loved and respected amongst his peers. Blake enjoyed his 4 wheelers, ATVs, and pretty much anything with a motor. He and his Dad spent many long nights in the barn turning wrenches and getting greasy. Blake also loved to be outdoors. He especially loved hunting and fishing with his Dad and Uncle Josh. Many memories were made at the deer lease and their other hunting expeditions.

Blake was an ambitious, upstanding young man. He loved his life, family, his dogs Bugs and Bella, his trucks, friends and so much more. He made us laugh, and he made us all very proud.

Blake's pallbearers are special friends Corey Schaubert, Cally Nicks, Austin Bates, Randal Prehoda, Nick Heiger, Brandon Simpson, Tyler Dartez, and Dalton Ramon.

Words cannot express the sorrow and the brokenness he leaves to all of us who loved him. He is forever in our hearts, forever in our thoughts, forever with us in all we do and all we have yet to do.

The following is a passage that Blake sent to his mother and she wanted to share:

### Mom and Son

One of the most beautiful bonds you'll ever see. She protects her Prince, teaching him how to love, watching him grow into something promising. He holds on to her every word, because to him, no one else is more important than mommy. He wants for nothing, because she melts when he calls her name, cries when he's hurt, or simply just says, "I love you". No matter how old he gets, he is her baby, and he will always have mom on his mind. Love you mom !

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Second Baptist Church, Huntsville, Texas in memory of Blake. (Second Baptist Church, 2517 Sam Houston Avenue, Huntsville, Texas 77340.)

Family will receive friends from 6:00 PM till 8:00 PM on Friday, April 22, 2016 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. A funeral service will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 23, 2016 in the chapel at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas.

Full obituary may be viewed and memorial condolences made to the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## McAdams Cemetery

1251 Fm 1696 Rd W  
Crabbs Prairie, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
(936) 291-7300  
belinda@shmfh.com

## Service

APR 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
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belinda@shmfh.com

# Tribute Wall



“ *Blake Ryan Newman*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Dear Vanessa, David, Kale, Zane and family,  
I feel a great pain in my heart for your loss. I saw these  
words and it is how I feel from my heart, these words are:  
May love surround you. May faith sustain you. May hope  
encourage you day by day.*

*Tam Clark ( Cedar Park)*



**Tam Clark** - April 28, 2016 at 09:57 PM



“ *Bridget McGinty Carr lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan  
Newman*



**Bridget McGinty Carr** - April 24, 2016 at 07:08 PM



“ *Edith Dixon lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



**Edith Dixon** - April 23, 2016 at 07:43 PM



“ Vanessa, Samantha, Martin Joe & Bobbie,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. I never got to meet Blake,  
but I know he must have been an awesome young man. He  
had his whole life ahead of him, but I guess that God  
needed another angel. The Widners & Ellisors had so much  
fun growing up at the family reunions and as they came to an end, so did all of us  
cousins not getting to really know all the others. Please know that we are thinking  
of your pain & hoping God will pull you into his arms & help relieve some of it.  
Sending you hugs and lots of love....God Bless...  
Jamie & Don Brinegar



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**Jamie Sue Brinegar** - April 23, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake  
Ryan Newman.



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April 22, 2016 at 11:44 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Blake  
Ryan Newman.



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April 22, 2016 at 04:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan  
Newman.



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April 22, 2016 at 03:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 03:30 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 02:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 12:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 12:14 PM

PM

“ *My condolences for Blake's family.  
Paul Markham (Ball Metal Container)*



**Paul Markham** - April 22, 2016 at 11:40 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 11:30 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 11:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 22, 2016 at 09:19 AM

RF

“ *Rick Rios & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



**Rick Rios & Family** - April 22, 2016 at 08:51 AM

LW

“ *Lisa Wright purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



**Lisa Wright** - April 22, 2016 at 01:13 AM

SM

“ God bless y'all! My thoughts and prayers are with you Martin Joe and Josh and each of Blake's family members and friends 🙏💕

Sheila McNeel-Flournoy - April 21, 2016 at 11:43 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 10:05 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 08:58 PM

TF

“ The Reeder Family purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



The Reeder Family - April 21, 2016 at 08:18 PM

SB

“ We have loved Blake since we first baby sat him when he was only days old...we still do!  
He has always had a special place in our hearts! We pray that God will help heal the hearts of his families!  
Sonny and Glynda Baker

Sonny & Glynda Baker - April 21, 2016 at 07:53 PM

HJ

“ David, Sandy, Morgan, And Gus, I did not know Blake but my heart is crushed for you. No words can be said that will help you now. God will help you get thru this. Love Aunt Helen.

helen Jones - April 21, 2016 at 06:30 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 05:52 PM

GN

“ Blake Newman, in spite of wanting to whip you more than once, I want you to know that I love you. I'm gonna miss you and that loud dang truck. Behave up there. I owe you a head and shoulder rub. See ya.

PS - Every once in a while let "your girl" know you are thinking about her because she will be thinking about you.

Granny (Sandy Nichols) - April 21, 2016 at 05:19 PM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 04:34 PM



“ *Christal Watson lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



Christal Watson - April 21, 2016 at 03:34 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 21, 2016 at 03:14 PM



“ *Cally Nicks and the Nicks family purchased the Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



Cally Nicks and the Nicks family - April 21, 2016 at 02:52 PM



“ *Billy Don and Kerri Avritt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



Billy Don and Kerri Avritt - April 21, 2016 at 02:24 PM



“ *Even though I did not know Blake very well, I did enjoy seeing him every year around the holidays when he would come for a visit. I remember him as a cute little kid and enjoyed watching him grow into such a nice young man. My heart just breaks for his family. David, Sandy, Morgan, Gus and all other family members, I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers will continue to be with you all. Love ya'll  
Christy Garza*

christy garza - April 21, 2016 at 01:54 PM

KF

“ Kelly & Chandler Robinson, Nichols & Brown Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



Kelly & Chandler Robinson, Nichols & Brown Family - April 21, 2016 at 12:59 PM

BP

“ Beverly Pegoda lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman



beverly pegoda - April 21, 2016 at 12:35 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 12:35 PM

DA

“ I am so very saddened by the loss of such a wonderful young man! Blake spent time with our family at our ranch along with Julie and Jana Yates. He was always polite, friendly and just enjoyable to be with. My prayers go out to all of his family, peace be with you in this unbearable time. Bill, Diana and Logan Allen

Diana Allen - April 21, 2016 at 12:33 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



April 21, 2016 at 12:26 PM

RW

“ The families of Blake are all still in shock-mode. Pictures are being laid out all over to choose favorites. Songs & music are being reviewed & flower choices & colors are being decided upon. The little guy who came to us all & went from us just as fast was a son, bubba, brother, grandson, greatgrandson, fellow rider, fellow student, cousin, nephew & much much more in this short time he was here. There is so much to say about Blake...he always loved horses, boots, sports, cars or rather- trucks & a little drinking. He was a hard worker & would work to fix up his trucks. He had obtained his own house at his young age which made him just that more admirable to his families. If he wasn't working - he was hunting, riding & tearing up the roads - living in the fast lane! We don't always know what God's plan is when something this tragic happens to someone we love so much & especially so young, but He does have one. Thank you to all for food, flowers, cards, tributes, calls etc. In advance from his families because as I said in the beginning- we are all still in shock- mode at this time - the parents especially, will gradually be able to thank you all for your hugs, tears, help & love that has been poured out in this awful time . As for us, Blake Ryan (you usually had to use his middle name - lol) we will miss all the humor & that big smile that you brought into our family - ❤️❤️Mammaw & PawPaw

Ray&Theresa Welsh - April 21, 2016 at 11:54 AM

KM

“ David and I are praying for you guys, and we are just so sorry to hear about this. Your church loves you and everybody is praying for you.

With our prayers and sympathy,  
David and Kathy Markham

Kathy Markham - April 21, 2016 at 10:20 AM

KM

“ Sandy, David, and Family  
Please know y'all are in our thoughts and prayers. Blake was a great person, and he will be missed.

Ray and Katie Metcalf and Family  
Tallan, Nena, Russell, Tara and Josh Pierce

Katie Metcalf - April 21, 2016 at 10:08 AM

DB

Our heart goes out to all of you, our prayers are with you. May our Lord hold you up with his great love, & strength. David & I are so sorry for your great loss. Love you,  
David & Georgia Broseh

David & Georgia Broseh - April 21, 2016 at 11:46 AM

RF

“ Robinson Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



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**Robinson Family** - April 21, 2016 at 09:46 AM

TF

“ The Owen, Wetta, Kousky and Arnold Families purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.



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**The Owen, Wetta, Kousky and Arnold Families** - April 21, 2016 at 09:27 AM

BA

“ David and Vanessa, My heart goes out to you, Know that my thoughts and prayers will continue for you both and the whole family.

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**Bruce Arrington** - April 21, 2016 at 08:50 AM

AR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Amy Robinson** - April 21, 2016 at 08:50 AM

LY

“ David Ryan & Sandy,  
*I am so very sorry for the loss of your son. It is hard to find the right words to say at a time like this, I am not sure there are any right words. I have been praying for you and your family that you will find peace and comfort in our Lord, Jesus Christ and know that he was with Blake every step of the way and delivered him to Heaven to live with Him. I hope you can take some comfort in that and know that mamaw & papaw Thompson as well as your mamaw & papaw Newman were waiting for him. They will take care of him until you all meet again one day. What a celebration that will be!*



*This Bible verse has been a comfort to me when I have been having hard times:*

*Isaiah 41:10 - So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

*I hope it gives you strength to know that He will give you strength and when you feel like you can't go on, He will hold you close.*

*Right now, hold each other close and never forget to tell each other how much you love one another.*

*Love You,  
Lori Young*

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**Lori Young** - April 21, 2016 at 07:55 AM

PF

“ Phil Thompson and Family and Victor Thompson and Family  
*purchased the Wings of a Dove Tribute Blanket for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



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**Phil Thompson and Family and Victor Thompson and Family** - April 21, 2016  
at 07:54 AM

BW

“ *I remember when you lived behind papa and granny you would ride your little four wheeler over to the house and your mother would call me in a panic saying she could not find you and I would tell her nessa he's over here you were two years old so papa mowed you a trail so you wouldn't get lost. We love you so much. God bless you*

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**Bobbie widner** - April 21, 2016 at 07:54 AM

GP

“ David I am so sorry for you loss of your son, Blake. My heart goes out to you and your family and I know you will miss him dearly. May God be with you each day to help ease your hurt. Rest in peace Blake.  
Gay Kelley Perry



Gay Perry - April 21, 2016 at 07:43 AM

PT

“ We love you Blake Ryan! Oh how sad we are for you and your family. May the Angels of Heaven wrap their arms around you and forever hold you. Papaw and Mamaw Thompson will now take care of you! May your family find the peace in knowing they are there with you. We will see you again!

Phil Debbie Jason Kaylee Thompson - April 21, 2016 at 06:47 AM

TR

“ The Bamburg Family, Round Rock purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.




The Bamburg Family, Round Rock - April 21, 2016 at 02:06 AM

DS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



David & Sandy - April 21, 2016 at 01:19 AM

 Chesney Gunnels

“ Chesney Gunnels lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman



Chesney Gunnels - April 21, 2016 at 12:18 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 21, 2016 at 12:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 20, 2016 at 10:59 PM

CB

“ *Cody Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



**Cody Brown** - April 20, 2016 at 10:28 PM



“ *So very very sorry Vanessa. We want to be there for you.*  
*Ken and Ericka Wetta*

**Ken Wetta** - April 20, 2016 at 10:26 PM

LB

“ *Laura Brown lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



**Laura Brown** - April 20, 2016 at 10:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 20, 2016 at 10:11 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



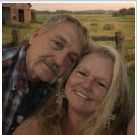
April 20, 2016 at 09:43 PM

DH

“ *Debbie, Brent & Taylor Horton*



**Debbie Horton** - April 20, 2016 at 09:17 PM



“ *Rebecca Bell Ward lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



**Rebecca Bell Ward** - April 20, 2016 at 08:54 PM

CR

“ *Charlie and Wendy Reeder purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



**Charlie and Wendy Reeder** - April 20, 2016 at 08:42 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Blake Ryan Newman.*



April 20, 2016 at 08:16 PM

EC

“ *Our deepest sympathies. May the Lord comfort you now and in days to come*




**Earl & Sherry Carter** - April 20, 2016 at 07:55 PM

JM

“ *Jordan Matthews lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



**jordan matthews** - April 20, 2016 at 07:26 PM

 Jamie Skaggs

“ *Praise be to the God and father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all of our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we our selves receive from God. 2 corinthians 1:3-4 Come to me all who are weary and burdened and I shall give you rest. Mathew 11:28*



**Jamie Skaggs** - April 20, 2016 at 07:19 PM

GP

*David Jason and Jamie are truly sadden by this and want to help you. Take care of yourself.*

**Gay Perry** - April 21, 2016 at 07:46 AM

CW

“ *Clint Widner sent a virtual gift in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



Clint Widner - April 20, 2016 at 06:46 PM

SW

“ *STACEY WIDNER lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



STACEY WIDNER - April 20, 2016 at 06:31 PM

SF

“ *Blake Ryan you will live in our hearts forever. Our family loved him very much and will miss him dearly. Prayers for all the people he touched in his much too short time with us.*



Shelia Smith and family - April 20, 2016 at 04:39 PM

IB

“ *Iris & Leon Brown lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



Iris & Leon Brown - April 20, 2016 at 04:30 PM

SN

“ *Sandy Nichols lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*




Sandy Nichols - April 20, 2016 at 04:27 PM

CG

*Even though I didn't know Blake that well, I always enjoyed seeing him when he would come around for the holidays and visit. I remember how young he was when he joined the family and watching him every year growing into such a nice young man. My heart hurts for you Sandy, David, Morgan, Gus and all the rest of his family as well. What a tragic loss. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. I love y'all.*  
*Christy Garza*

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**Christy garza** - April 21, 2016 at 01:16 PM

  
Kaitlynn  
Bell

“ *Kaitlynn Bell lit a candle in memory of Blake Ryan Newman*



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**Kaitlynn Bell** - April 20, 2016 at 04:02 PM