



Charles Samuel Hall

February 20, 1948 - January 23, 2017

Charles Samuel Hall, age 68, entered into eternal rest surrounded by loved ones at his home in Willis, Texas on January 23rd 2017 after a short and heroic battle with pancreatic cancer. Sam was preceded in death by his parents, Nelle and Hubert Leon Hall; his wife, Linda Carter Hall; and his younger brother, John Hall.

Sam leaves behind many friends and family who will forever cherish memories of his larger-than-life personality, contagious laugh and pearls of wisdom. Survivors include his wife, Rebecca Hall of Willis, Texas; sons: Mark (Brooke) Hall of Beaumont, Texas; Chance (Kearstin) McClain of Magnolia, Texas; and Taylor (Aurora) McClain of Kingwood, Texas; grandchildren: Ethan, Eli and Elisabeth Hall; Noah and Abbey McClain; and Josh, Ashley and Ryleigh McClain; siblings: Doug (Betsy) Hall of Willis, Texas; Roger (Cindy) Hall of Maysville, Kentucky; and Donna (Mike) Leon of Lake Kiowa, Texas. Sam is also survived by several nieces and nephews who adored him.

Born on February 20th 1968 in Clinton, Tennessee, Sam became a basketball legend for the Clinton High School Dragons. Always an athlete, Sam enjoyed sports of all kinds, particularly Tennessee Vols football, unless of course they were playing the Texas A&M Aggies, in which case his orange blood turned maroon. He attended school at Brewton Parker College in Mount Vernon, Georgia where he met his first wife, Linda. Sam served his country as an Army Ranger in the Vietnam War and received several honors, including a Silver Star and a Bronze Star. He and Linda raised their son, Mark, in Orange,

TX where he worked at Temple-Inland Paper Mill and attended McDonald Baptist Church and First Baptist Church in Mauriceville. After the tragic death of his first wife, Sam was blessed to find love again and was lucky that his second wife, Becky, agreed to marry him. He gained two additional sons, Taylor and Chance McClain and their families, who he dearly loved. Sam and Becky moved to Willis, Texas and had many years together enjoying grandchildren, attending ballgames and traveling to Disney World, Tennessee, Colorado and Canada. Sam spent his days perfecting his golf game, fishing with grandkids and making wonderful friends.

Visitation with family is Thursday, January 26th at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis from 6pm-8pm. The Funeral will be held at Willis United Methodist Church on Friday, January 27th at 10am. A graveside service will follow at 3pm in Orange, Texas at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Willis United Methodist Church. Condolences may be left at www.shmfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfh.com

Funeral Service

JAN 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Willis
200 N. Thomason St.
Willis, TX 77378

Interment

JAN 27. 3:00 PM (CT)

Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery
455 Hwy 87 S.
Orange, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Samuel Hall*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *From: Cousin Tom Hall*

I certainly have fond memories of Sam. We were pretty close during Grade school and High school. I even got to talk old times with Sam a few months ago in Harrogate, Tn., which I am thankful for. Yes, he loved to play basketball. Everyone knows of his contagious laugh, his happy personality and yes, his pearls of wisdom. He has always had it. He was just fun to be around. He reminds me of his father and mother. He enjoyed life. He enjoyed talking about his boys, which have done well. Great memories!

Linda Hall - January 30, 2017 at 06:44 PM



“ *We are so saddened to hear of Sam's death. You have our deepest sympathy. Dan was Sam's cousin and brother to Bill and Tom Hall. Dan and Billie Hall of Marietta, GA*

Dan Hall - January 30, 2017 at 12:39 PM



“ *Sam we had a lot of great conversations, you will be missed. RIP. James Woodrow(woody)*

James Woodrow jameswoodrow - January 29, 2017 at 08:29 PM

SB

“ Praying for Roger, Cindy and the rest of the family at this time of loss.

Steve Braun - January 28, 2017 at 09:59 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.



January 27, 2017 at 09:50 AM

GB

“ My wife and I met Sam several years ago while golfing at West Fork. After that Sam joined us several time for 9 holes. He was always joking around and stirring things up. My wife call him a spoon. We often talked around the course and Sam would stop and visit with us during his round when he was passing our home near the 15th green. He was very proud of his family and shared many stories about them with us. We always enjoying talking with Sam getting to know him better. The only fault I ever saw in him was that he was overly generous on "gimme putts"! We are really going to miss him. God bless Sam and his family.

Gary and Nanete Blackburn - January 26, 2017 at 06:49 PM

DL

Thinking of you and your family during this heartbreaking time. We always looked so forward to your family Christmas carols.. Sam was always bringing up the rear and so proud to say "well, this is just my family's thing! ". What a blessing to have been able to share in this love. Thank you for the gift of your childrens' joyous songs.
Your neighbors on Hawthorne,
Don and Anna Marie Leveridge

Don and Anna Marie Leveridge - January 26, 2017 at 10:07 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.*



January 26, 2017 at 06:03 PM



“ *A great golfer and a wonderful man - AND thank you for your service to our country.*

Dutch Bell, West Fork

Dutch Bell - January 26, 2017 at 06:00 PM



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January 26, 2017 at 12:38 PM



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January 25, 2017 at 07:39 PM

RP

“ I enjoyed talking theology with Sam when he would visit Tennessee. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Roger Pugh

roger pugh - January 25, 2017 at 03:16 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.



January 25, 2017 at 02:53 PM

LT

“ Sam was a great man and role model. I knew him through his son Mark. Mark and I are business partners/friends and have been for 15 years. On many occasions, Sam would come visit us at the office. I always loved when he would come in. We had many deep conversations about life and our love of family and Christ. He gave me much advice that I will cherish the rest of my life. He was a funny guy too, always smiling. Every time I saw Sam, he would poke fun at me for my role in the Beaumont Passion Play that I participated in years ago. I portrayed Jesus in the play for several years, and Sam would say to me, "Turley, I know Jesus and you ain't him." We always got a laugh out of that. He and Mark had a special relationship that I always admired. Mark was a blessed man to have a father like Sam. I will miss Sam and his fatherly advice. Thank you for being a great friend and father figure to me through the years. We will ALL miss you.

Lee Turley

Lee Turley - January 25, 2017 at 11:12 AM

RG

“ Roger & Todd Gay purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.



Roger & Todd Gay - January 25, 2017 at 10:54 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.



January 25, 2017 at 09:27 AM

LG

“ Words don't seem enough to explore the great times I enjoyed with Sam. Playing basketball together and moving through school were great times not appreciated until far too late. We talked often on his returns to Clinton and reminded ourselves of some of these experiences. Every interaction with Sam was a joy and a learning experience. He was a big part of my high school years and I will miss our conversations and times together, but I know things are now much better for him. Gone far too soon, miss you my friend #DFL

Larry Gann
Clinton, Tn.

Larry Gann - January 25, 2017 at 09:20 AM

PG

“ Praying for Sam's family and friends who will miss him. So thankful I was able to talk with him at our 50th reunion. I went to every home and away game to watch them play basketball! Special memories!



Patsy Carver Griffing - January 25, 2017 at 06:15 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.



January 25, 2017 at 02:48 AM

DA

“ Sam was indeed one of the great ones. I bet he never got in trouble in high school. He was a respected athlete and classmate. Sam moved on to Texas where he became a respected man in the community, wonderful dad, husband and granddad! He was incredible! I am blessed to have spent time with him at the reunion. Today he is reunited with his parents. It was an honor to call Sam a friend!

donna sharp aiken - January 24, 2017 at 11:28 PM

ME

“ Praying for Sam's family. Praying for Roger. -Micah Evans.

Micah Evans - January 24, 2017 at 09:14 PM

SG

“ I have always been proud to call Sam my brother-in-law. He has been a part of our family for 47 years. We have shared fun times and not so fun times but I will always have those memories tucked away in a safe place. Love and prayers to the Hall, Leon, and McClain families.

Sherrie Carter Gonzalez

Sherrie Gonzalez - January 24, 2017 at 08:33 PM

PS

“ I went to every one of Sam's basketball games from our sophomore through senior years in high school. I kept all his stats and cheered for his every rebound and point scored. After the games, he'd always ask with a grin, "how many? " He was humble in many ways, but he always loved to hear me say, "24 points, 12 rebounds," or something similar. He had a really big game once--41 or 42 points--I can't remember exactly. Teams tried to shut him down, but he was too good. He always found a way to score, make pinpoint passes, grab rebounds. His defense was always energetic, in-your-face tough. I never saw him quit in all those games--even when being double-teamed or losing to Oak Ridge. So, I just know that when Sam was faced with his diagnosis he didn't quit living and loving until God took him home. That's the kind of man he was. Sam, we lost touch for many years, but I've always loved you and your darling parents, brothers and sister. Now may you rest in peace with your precious loved ones in your new heavenly home.

Patsy Foster Stair - January 24, 2017 at 08:11 PM

PV

“ Went to CHS with Sam. Always a great gentleman. Funny & so like able . Glad we got to see him when we had our 50 yr. reunion. He was so happy to be there. So sorry for your loss. May God bless & keep you in this trying time. Praying for strength for each one of his family members. We lost one great family member. Clinton High School, class of 1966.
Pat Russell Vann

Pat Russell Vann - January 24, 2017 at 07:16 PM

BH

“ *Becky and family,*
There are no words that can truly be expressed in the loss of Sam. We know all our hearts feel great sadness. We know Sam is with our Heavenly Father, which we hope gives you comfort in your loss. Ours prayers are with your family.

*God bless all of you,
Bob and Juanita Hall*

Bob & Juanita Hall - January 24, 2017 at 06:40 PM



“ *So sorry to hear this. I worked with Sam at Temple Inland, he was a Great man to be around always having a good time and cutting up even when we were having a bad day on the paper machine. Prayers to all his family during this time. He will surely be missed.*



Bradley Revere - January 24, 2017 at 05:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.*



January 24, 2017 at 04:56 PM



“ *Blushing Lilies was purchased for the family of Charles Samuel Hall.*



January 24, 2017 at 04:48 PM



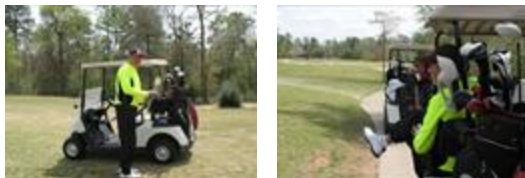
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Jeff Wallace - January 24, 2017 at 03:53 PM

LB

“ Remembering Sam from our south clinton days many prayers for the family sincerely, Linda Conner Brown

Linda Conner Brown - January 24, 2017 at 03:30 PM

BD

“ Billie Sue Farmer Dilworth sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles Samuel Hall



Billie Sue Farmer Dilworth - January 24, 2017 at 01:20 PM

BD

I hardly know where to start writing a memorial of Sam. The whole group of us kids from South Clinton, Tennessee were so blessed to grow up where material things were so insignificant that we were not even aware that we had very little. What we really had was enormous. We had each other to play with and wonderful parents such as the Halls to watch over us and keep us out of trouble. Once we reached high school, one of our greatest prides was how fantastic Sam did in basketball. He never lost the humble personality from South Clinton. It was a joy to reconnect with him a few years ago when his mom was being cared for in Oak Ridge. I am so sad he has gone home too, but will forever treasure him, Doug, and Donna. Thanks to God for allowing me to belong to these friends. Love to the Hall family, one and all. Keep up the guidelines Sam gave you.

Billie Sue Farmer Dilworth - January 24, 2017 at 01:32 PM

ES

“ Rest in Peace Sam. Anyone who never knew Sam, saw him play ball or knew his family is a little poorer today. I'm so happy that he got to see the tribute on TV that was put together for him. He had a lot of people who held him in high esteem. Prayers to his entire family. He will not be forgotten.

Eddie Stair - January 24, 2017 at 12:16 PM

KH

“ So very sorry to hear about Sam's passing away, my thoughts and prayers are with the entire Hall family. Even in sorrow, it is great to know Sam was a believer in Jesus, and is now free from the pain of cancer, and rejoicing in Heaven with his parents and brother, and has seen his Savior face to face. Praying God's peace will comfort you in the days ahead. Karen Holmes

karen holmes - January 24, 2017 at 10:23 AM



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DB

“ Sam played center field on our little league team, the Cubs, My brother Willis played left. They made the allstars that year. Our parents were at every game, as was Doug, Sam's brother. During each game, Doug would comment about how he taught Sam everything he knew about baseball. In the middle of one particular game, an opposing batter hit a high pop fly to deep center field. Sam told everyone in the stands, "Watch this, I taught him this." Sam drifted back, the ball fell right into the center of his well worn glove. However it came out and fell to the ground. Just then Doug yelled so loudly it could be heard in South Clinton: "Stuuuupppppiiidd!!". We found out after the inning, the webbing in Sam's glove broke. My brother and I both loved and admired Sam.

Dwight Bailey - January 24, 2017 at 08:07 AM

LA

“ Sam leaves behind a wonderful legacy through his Son Mark and the other members of his family. He was a kind man that lived his family, friends, and his country. God Bless you Sam.

Louis Acosta - January 23, 2017 at 09:24 PM

PW

“ Sam Hall was one of the nicest men that I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. I first met Sam when he came over to my dorm room one day out of the blue at McNeese State in Lake Charles, LA. Sam had heard my name on the radio during a game one evening and heard that I was from Clinton, TN as he was. Sam was living in Orange, TX at the time which was only about 30 minutes from me. Sam being Sam, he just got in the car and came over and met me the next day. We struck up a friendship immediately. During the next few years he would come and watch a lot of my games in Louisiana and in Texas and took me to play golf and out to eat more times than I can remember.

Sam's love of basketball was evident whenever you spoke with him. He was a great player in his day at Clinton High School in Clinton, TN. He used to tell me stories all the time of games that he played in and how many points and rebounds he would have. He had true joy in his voice every time he talked about basketball.

Sam will be missed greatly by all of his family and friends....he touched my life in a profound way as a young man!

Paul Wallace

Paul Wallace - January 23, 2017 at 03:07 PM

LD

I will miss Sam. Even though we lived far apart, you were and will forever be my friend. When we were children at South Clinton Elementary, I was on crutches for awhile and you always looked out for me. That meant the world to me then and now. You were a tall man, not only in stature, but in your acts of generosity and kindness. Thank you my friend. May you rest in peace.

Linda Hylton Delaney - January 24, 2017 at 11:59 PM

BE

*Best neighbor anyone could ever have.
Betty McCall
Greenway II, Orange TX*

Betty - January 26, 2017 at 03:58 PM