



Christopher Chatham

March 27, 1987 - May 9, 2009

Christopher Ronnie Chatham was born March 27, 1987 in Conroe, Texas and passed away May 6, 2009. He grew up in Huntsville, graduating from Huntsville High School. He worked as a ranch hand and enjoyed working cattle with his grandfather. He was an avid bull rider. Chris was an outdoorsman that enjoyed hunting, fishing and riding his motorcycle. Survivors include his father Frank Dean Chatham, step-mother Juanita Chatham, mother Ginger Martin, brother Derrick Chatham and wife Coco along with son Cody, grandparents Ronnie and Maryette Chatham, an uncle and aunt Joe and Ronette Rodriguez, cousins Hayden and Delaney Rodriguez along with numerous other family members and friends, Services will be held Saturday May 9, 2009 at 2 PM at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home with interment to follow at Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 PM on Friday May 8, 2009 at the funeral home. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Christopher Chatham*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I will always remember the fun time we had together chris!you were always the one that i'd get into trouble with, but it was always worth it! You've left it up to me to be the oldest cousin of 12 now! and i promise i will not let you down! I have to say being to 4 funerals in less than 6 months made it a bit hard to see you but i smiled because of all the wonderful memories we have! I know over the years we haven't been as close as we used to be but i will never forget you sweetheart! I'll never forget going to your house and playing hide & seek with you travis & derrick, climbing on the hay bails and again always getting into trouble! it never failed! haha well I LOVE YOU so much cousin!
love,
brittney*

Brittney Ellard - May 19, 2009 at 02:00 PM



“ *Dear Frank,
I am so sad to hear of your loss, I hope that god gives strength to you and your family in this time of need.*

Michael Walston - May 11, 2009 at 07:53 PM

CF

“ Dear Frank, We hope that your heart will mend and that your pain will lessen as the days go by. I am unable to comprehend the hurt and emptiness that you and your family feel. We are here for you at any time for anything. Please let us know what we can do to help you. We will pray for you and your family's strength. May God bless you and keep you close.

Chris and Cristi Kethan & family - May 11, 2009 at 07:37 PM

C.

“ TO MR. FRANK CHATHAM AND FAMILY,
MY CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF YOUR SON. I'M SO SORRY TO HAVE FOUND OUT WHEN I RETURNED TO WORK.

C.GERNALE - May 11, 2009 at 03:07 PM

DW

“ Frank and Family,

Please accept our deepest condolences to you and your family during this time of sorrow. Let God provide you with comfort during this time of great loss and pain.

Derric and Judy Wilson - May 11, 2009 at 11:21 AM

LT

“ Frank:

My deepest condolences to you and your family during this difficult time. I pray that you keep God first and remember that Christopher is in a better place now.

L. Taylor - May 10, 2009 at 07:05 PM

AG

“ Uncle Ronnie, Aunt Maryette, Frank, Ginger, and Derrick, Words cannot express the loss our family is going through. Chris was one of my dearest and most cherished childhood friends. I am only saddend by the fact that we lost touch once we became adults, as it so often happens. I love you all and miss you very much. I am sorry I couldn't attend the service. I love you and my prayers are with you all.

Chris, I miss you and love you. Rest in Peace cousin.

Love always, Amber

Amber Gaddy - May 10, 2009 at 05:01 PM

DR

“ On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff and Supporting Members of the Correctional Peace Officer's Foundation I send our sincere condolences on the loss of your son.
You and your family are in our hearts and prayers during this difficult time.

Debbie Herklotz, Texas Field Representative - May 10, 2009 at 04:05 PM

JF

“ Our deepest sympathy in this time of loss for your family. I would not know how to handle the loss of a child. I hope God gives you all the strength and courage to get through this difficult time. We are praying for your family.

Jason Powell & family - May 10, 2009 at 08:29 AM

OA

“ I'am sorry about your loss, I'll be praying for you and your family. God will see you all through in Jesus name.

Oscar Arvizo - May 09, 2009 at 09:28 PM

RR

“ My friend Frank,
I am praying for you and your family. There are no words that can express the sorrow and pain that I feel for you and your family. We could write all the beautiful words in the world and yet they would not be enough to heal your heart any sooner. I pray that you keep in mind, that these are not “Our Kids”, they belong to the Lord. All of our lives belong to him. Christopher was not taken from you, but simply "Called Home." I pray that you do not harden your heart, but rather humble yourself and allow God to reach your inner spirit. I pray that God allows you to look within yourself so that you may find Peace, Comfort and Understanding. I pray that these few words of encouragement will in some way help you cope with the loss of Christopher. Finally, I pray that you will “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding”. Prov 3:5 God Bless

Randal "Chief" Roland - May 09, 2009 at 07:16 PM

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TB

“ Dear Frank, we are so sorry for your lost and our prayers are with you and your family. I know this is a difficult time, so stay strong and ask God for strength and he shall provide.

Tony & Lanita Bridges - May 09, 2009 at 05:40 PM

MP

“ Frank, My sympathy is with you and your family. Sometimes we do not understand the Lords ways but I believe God needed him back with him to be beside him, to help him do work in Heaven, he had done enough here on earth. He is loved greatly by many. My prays are with you and your family. Anything you need brother, Matt FCC BMT Black Talons SORT

Matt Provazek - May 09, 2009 at 01:45 PM

RA

“ My one and only, i miss you so much you were my best friend and other half you still are. I am just not wanting to believe it. Not Chris not my sweetheart, I just dont know what to do now. half of me is gone and will never be back. I am numb and blank. But I just wanted to tell you that i love you and will always. You will always be my number one and my once in a life time i am lost with out you. Memaw, pop, frank and derrick and Ronette my heart goes out to all of you. And I love you Chris I will never forget you and will always love you.

Rachael - May 09, 2009 at 01:31 PM

JC

“ Frank, our deepest condolence to you and your family. our players are with you. God bless.

John Cantu - May 09, 2009 at 12:55 AM

SH

“ My deepest and sincerest sympathies to Ginger and all the family. My love for Chris was deeper than you'll ever know. He was that special little boy that touched my heart and had me wrapped around his little finger forever. He was the firstborn of all 13 grandchildren on Ginger's side of the family succeeded by: Grandfather Gerald Martin and Grandmother, Janelle Trahan, 3 Aunts and 1 Uncle, Sherri Landry, Terri Nelson, Michelle Martin and Gerald Martin, Jr. Our faith and hope lay in Jesus' ransom and God's promises in the Bible. "And God himself will be with them. And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes and death will be no more, neither will morning nor outcry nor pain be anymore..."Rev. 21:3,4; John 5:28,29; Isa. 25:8; Isa. 65:17,21-25 May "the God of all comfort" be with you.

Sherri - May 08, 2009 at 07:48 PM

DG

“ Frank, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Remember God will give you just enough grace to make it through today, and then tomorrow He will give you just enough to make it through that day. Philipians 1:4 " I thank God upon every memberance of you." If you need anything please don't hesitate to contact me.
your friend and co-worker (FBOP)
Darrell Gibbs

Darrell Gibbs - May 08, 2009 at 05:54 PM

JM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with the entire family during this tragic loss. J. Moesch (BOP-ISM)

James Moesch - May 08, 2009 at 02:38 PM

TD

“ YOU WERE AN AMAZING FRIEND I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU ONE DAY WE WILL BE TOGETHER AGAIN I DONT HAVE ANY REGRETS WE DID ALOT OF CRAZY THINGS TOGETHER LIKE SKIPPIN SCHOOL AND GOIN TO LAKE FALLS AND THAT TIME YOU SNUCK INTO MY HOUSE I WILL NEVER FORGET IT AND I WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH I LOVED YOU BRO RIP COOTER BOB!

TRAVIS DUNN - May 08, 2009 at 02:17 PM

TE

“ My sister Ginger, my heart shares your tremendous pain & what seems like endless tears. For Ginger & all the Chatham/Martin families: May Jehovah God grant us peace & comfort as we cherish our memories of Christopher. And please remember that when we pick up the pieces of our life and put them back together, we are showing "endurance, in turn, an approved condition... in turn, hope, and the hope does not lead to disappointment; because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy spirit, which was given us."- Rom.5:1-5.

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Terri - May 08, 2009 at 02:07 PM

DD

“ Frank, My deepest sympathies to you and your family, remember only God knows what's best for each of us. I will keep you in my prayers.

Diane Dennis - May 08, 2009 at 12:51 PM

BF

“ THOSE WE LOVE DON'T GO AWAY THEY WALK BESIDE US EVERYDAY. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO CHRISTOPHER'S FAMILY YOUR LIFE WAS PRECIOUS AND YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. YOU WERE AN AMAZING YOUNG MAN JUST IN THE LITTLE TIME THAT WE CAME TO KNOW YOU.

BARNES FAMILY - May 08, 2009 at 12:43 PM

MN

“ *Ronnie and Maryette,*

Mike and I are so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. We hope that you find comfort in Jehovah's promises for the near future.

*Mike & Tammie Nokes
Huntsville*

Mike & Tammie Nokes - May 08, 2009 at 12:17 PM

MB

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this time of great loss. Know that God is with you and you are loved.*

A Bureau Brother

Marcus Bevil - May 08, 2009 at 12:17 PM

RB

“ Frank,Ronnette,Ronnie, Mariette and all the rest of the family, I can't even begin to imagine the pain and grief you all must feel right now.I do know that it never stops hurting,but with Gods help it gets easier with time.

My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow and grief.

GOD bless and keep you now and in the futureRoger

Roger Babb - May 08, 2009 at 12:17 PM

MC

“ *My condolences to you and your family. We will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless you.*

Mike Chataignier - May 08, 2009 at 12:11 PM

SP

“ *Mr. Chatham & Family: May God bless you during this time of loss. It is my prayer that you will find comfort in your memories of Chris.*

S. Pitts - May 08, 2009 at 11:48 AM

R.

“ *Mr. Chatham, you and your family are in our prayers. We are very sorry for your loss. May God bless you and your family during this difficult time in your life.*

R.Rosario - May 08, 2009 at 11:18 AM

GH

“ *Mr. Chatham and family, please accept our sincere condolences, and know you and your family are in our prayers.*

Gilbert and Karla Heritage - May 08, 2009 at 11:16 AM

EP

“ i am sorry My prayer's go to you and your family the Payne Family
Beaumont Tx.

Elvis Payne - May 08, 2009 at 11:09 AM

JF

“ Frank, Ronette, Joe & families... We are so truly sorry for your loss
and cannot imagine the pain you must be experiencing. We will
continue to keep you in our prayers everyday. May God grant you
the peace to get through the many tough days ahead. Please know
that we are here to back you with love and support if you need
anything.

Love to you all,
John, Karin, Tori, Michael & Ryan Benavides

John & Karin Benavides & Family - May 08, 2009 at 10:59 AM

AW

“ Frank, There are never any words that could help the pain of this
magnitude. It is unimaginable and I can't understand how you and
your family must feel. People say that God never gives you more
than you can bare. I beleive that and I hope you and your family
does also. I will keep you in my prayers. My deepest sympathy to
you and your family.

Angel Winkler - May 08, 2009 at 10:54 AM

EC

“ Mr.Chatham and Family, Are thoughts and prayers are with you and
your family. God bless you. E.Cervantez(BOP/ISM)and Family

E. Cervantez - May 08, 2009 at 10:53 AM

MH

“ Frank & Family, I am sorry for the loss to you and your family of your son. My family and I, and friends known and unknown will keep you, your family, and son Christopher, in our prayers for God's gift of love, comfort, and peace, as the days go on. Please accept our heartfelt condolences and prayers.....God Bless you.

Michael Haynie - May 08, 2009 at 10:49 AM

MW

“ Frank & Family: Please accept my condolences to you and your family. The loss of a child and loved one is one of the toughest challenges to endure. I pray that your loving and lasting memories of Christopher will bring you comfort in the years to come. It is also my hope that the words, cards, phone calls and prayers from your Bureau Family will somehow ease the pain during this difficult time. You are in our prayers.

M. Martin, Warden - May 08, 2009 at 10:38 AM

RD

“ RODNEY AND I ARE ARE TRULLY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS OF CHRISTOPHER. TRUST IN GOD TO SEE YOU THROUGH THIS TIME IN YOUR LIFE. REMEMBER WE ALL HAVE A BIRTHDATE AND AN GOING HOME DATE BUT ITS THAT SMALL DASH IN BETWEEN THAT WE REALLY CELEBRATE KNOWING, LOVING, AND CHARISHING SOMEONE! GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AND YOU WILL BE IN OUR PRAYERS.

RODNEY AND DESHAWN DAVIS - May 08, 2009 at 10:37 AM

AM

“ Uncle Frank and Aunt Nita,
May you keep God close in your heart in this difficult time. Be strong and know that we are all praying for you and the family.

Amanda Magdaleno - May 08, 2009 at 10:34 AM

WJ

“ Frank, you are in my prayers. May God continue to bless you and your family.

Wanda Jones - May 08, 2009 at 10:27 AM

VB

“ My deepest sympathy to you Frank and your family. I pray that God will wrap his arms around you and hold you close to his heart during this time.

Victoria Buzzanga - May 08, 2009 at 10:15 AM

LL

“ We are praying for you and your family for the loss of your son. May God continue to watch over you and your family.

L. Louis - May 08, 2009 at 10:12 AM

LB

“ Ronette and Joe, We are truly sorry for your loss. Just know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Linda Bourque - May 08, 2009 at 09:33 AM

TP

“ Frank, my heart goes out to you and your family. I will keep you all in my prayers. God Bless you!!!!

Tanya Prejean - May 08, 2009 at 09:27 AM

SM

“ Frank, My prayers go out to you and your family. Grasp to the memories and times that you shared with your son and remember one day you will meet again and be able to share many more memories. The Lord will bless you and your family and give you the strength that is needed. Remember, he will always be with you and your family.

Steven Merendino - May 08, 2009 at 09:13 AM

SH

“ Frank, when we spoke the other night and I mentioned that you are, and always will be in my prayers. During the times you can't stand grab a hold of God and hang on. This is going to be the hardest time in you life, but remember your family and friends are just a call away praying for your strength. I Love you and will stand with you in your time of need. Keep this scripture close; Phil 4:13...we can do all things through Christ which strengthens us. Be Blessed...

Sincera Hutchings - May 08, 2009 at 09:07 AM

CB

“ Frank, I am at a loss for words during this time of unimaginable loss for you, your family and friends. Cherish and embrace the good memories that you shared together and know that this separation is temporary. You, your family and friends will remain lifted up in my prayers and please accept my deepest condolences. May God comfort your hearts as He gives you the strength to carry on during these difficult times to come as only He can.

Chris Barton - May 08, 2009 at 08:30 AM

CO

“Ginger, I wanted to send my condolences to you and your family. Sorry I can't be there with the family but want you all to know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Corey - May 08, 2009 at 08:25 AM

AJ

“Sweet Ginger.....oh how I hurt for you all...you, your family and my brother Jerry and wife, Carmen, Cris' maternal grandfather. We are so sorry for the loss of your precious son, Chris.

May our Lord bless you and keep you all with all of the good memories to sustain you.

Our love to all, Aunt Juanita and Uncle Hal and your cousins, Jan, Judy and Jimmy.

Aunt Juanita - May 07, 2009 at 06:55 PM

MO

“My son,
The last time I talked to you, I wanted you to come see me in Florida. I couldn't wait to move back to Texas so we can become closer and make up for all the lost time. Now it's too late for our chance here on earth, but some day I will see you again and hold you and tell you how much I loved you. Thank you for calling me when I sent you your birthday card, just hearing your voice made my day. You are in a better place my son and you will feel no pain, not be sick or hurt anymore. Get some rest, my son, for we have alot of catching up to do.

Love you always and forever,

Mom (I will celebrate your life forever)

Mom - May 07, 2009 at 06:25 PM