



## David Arthur

November 8, 2014

David Michael Arthur was born in Columbia, Maryland to Catherine and Vaughn Arthur and was the younger brother to Brian. David unexpectedly took his own life one month ago at age 18 in Houston, Texas. David was an avid and accomplished trumpet player, and participated in the symphonic, jazz and marching bands at Atholton High School in Columbia, and in the pep band and marching band at Towson University in Maryland. He spent hours teaching himself to play challenging classical pieces on the piano, and particularly loved Debussy's compositions. David loved music, playing and marching with the band, studying Scripture, being out in nature, summer camp, bike rides, working out, swimming and ice skating. David took Jesus' commands to "love God" and "love others as much as you love yourself" to heart. His recent years were marked by his love for God, his outgoing friendly demeanor, and his genuine compassion for others. When David saw someone alone or hurting, he reached out to try to encourage and make them feel included. For David, "How ya doin?" wasn't just a greeting, it was a genuine question. He was a loving son and brother, and often spoke of wanting to eventually be a missionary. His suicide is an inexplicable contradiction to the way he lived his life and the things he held dear, and it has stunned and devastated his family and friends. David is survived by his mother, father and brother, paternal grandparents and maternal grandmother, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and countless friends. His family will receive friends on Saturday, November 8th from 5-6pm at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home

in Montgomery, Texas and a memorial service will begin at 6pm in the Chapel of the funeral home. You may post tributes on our website at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Arthur*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family, especially during this holiday season. I know it will be difficult to get through. Please know that we, as well as many other people, think of David often. My daughter knew David for a short time, but he left a lasting legacy. She loved his beliefs, kindness and sunny personality. We hope to walk in the out of darkness walks to raise money for education. God Bless your Family.*

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**ann** - November 27, 2014 at 10:35 PM



“ *What a tragic loss your family is experiencing! We lost my beloved wife only a few months ago who was less than 50. While different circumstances, still a severe loss. I struggle every day.*

*If I might impart one thought... In the Gospel of John, Jesus is quoted stating that there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and unrighteous (John 5:28,29) and God promises to do away with death (Rev 21:3,4). What this means to us is that we have a hope of being reunited with our departed love ones and living a life of eternity with them. While this won't fix your loss, perhaps it will be a help for you to cope with the loss.*

*From my family to yours... please accept our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences. May our God bring you peace!*

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**J Sonnenfeld** - November 17, 2014 at 07:30 PM

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“ We just learned of David's death. Our hearts ache for your loss. We pray for your family. God Bless and comfort you all.

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**Gara cannon** - November 16, 2014 at 09:41 AM

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“ My heart goes out to the family of David and to all those who loved him. My thoughts and prayers go out especially to his parents and to his brother Brian. I lost my 18 year old son to suicide so I understand some of what you are going through. He also left behind a brother. He suffered with depression but could hide it well. Please know you are not alone and you will survive this unimaginable tragedy. Here is a website you may find helpful. <http://www.afsp.org/coping-with-suicide-loss> May peace and healing be with you all in the days ahead.

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**Stephanie Thrift** - November 08, 2014 at 08:22 PM