



## David Mark Bacon

June 13, 1959 - April 21, 2007

David Mark Bacon, of Huntsville, passed away on April 15, 2007. Mark was born on June 13, 1959. He was preceded in death by his father, Bobby Bacon and a brother, Jim Bob Bacon. Survivors are: wife, Sally, children Chase, Katy, Taylor and Sam. Mother, Eleanor Browder, sister Candace Peeler, niece Paige Cunningham and husband, nephew Adam Komar, Sallys' parents, Stan and Hilma Cothren, brother-in-law, Morrow Cothren and nephews Trip and Carter Cothren. Also numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. Mark graduated from Huntsville H S in 1978 and Sam Houston State University in 1983. Mark was the Youthful Offender Administrator for Windham School District. He was active in the Junior Baseball program, the First United Methodist Church, a true friend to many, but above all, a devoted husband and a wonderful father. It was Marks' request that the privacy of his wife and children be respected during this trying time. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, April 21st, at 2 PM at the First United Methodist Church in Huntsville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Mark Bacon*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Just found out about Mark's death, I went to school with Mark many years ago. he was a great guy and best of friends, always made me laugh. All my prayers to his family and friends, he will be missed but never forgotten. God bless you all.*

*Scott Shepherd  
Funeral Director  
Memphis, Tennessee*

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**Scott Shepherd** - December 02, 2007 at 11:32 PM

RB

“ Mrs. B., Candy, Sally and family. I only just learned of Mark's passing from Buddy Bailey who also had just learned of his passing. From my own family (The DeLong's and O'Donnell's) I wish to pass on deepest condolences. I knew Mark, not as well as I'd known his brother Jim; and remember him as being a quiet, laid back guy who loved his family and his friends very much. The last time I saw him and the Bacon family was I'm sad to say at his own brother's funeral. I remember walking in and looking for Mrs. B, and seeing Mark and Sally; Candy and Paige and Adam; and noticing how like a ROCK Mark appeared for his family. Sold, Strong; there to hold HIS Family together through such a painful time. I remember how he walked up to me and said , "Hi Risa" and how surprised and happy I was that even after all those years he still remembered the name's of Jim's friends. He was just that kind of guy always remembering people's faces and names.

Sally,

We never really got to know one another but please know you and your family are in my thoughts. Should you need anything (even a shoulder) Just ask and I will be there! Adam and Paige know how to reach me (Sometimes MySpace really DOES come in handy).

Candy,

Stay strong hun, for your mom, your sister in-law and the rest of the family. Again, if you need anything, I'm a phone call or Email away! (Paige found me through MySpace, she's got our # so don't hesitate to call ok?)

Dearest Mrs. B.,

I wish I had known sooner! I wish I could have been there for you too. You have been through so much these past few years. Please know you are now as you have always been in my thoughts and my family's thoughts. You were like a home away from home for me and I love you for that. Please know you are always in my thoughts and prayers. As I said to Sally and Candy, should you NEED me, I'll be there! You were as much a MOM to me as my own mother and grandmother are. I love you!

*Always,  
Risa Ann (O'Donnell) Benedict.*

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**Risa (O'Donnell) Benedict** - May 04, 2007 at 08:05 AM

JF

“ *To the Bacon Family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. I haven't seen Mark since High School, but have many memories of what a warm funny guy he was. A luminaria shone through the night in his memory at the ACS Relay For Life here in Austin. God Bless all of you.*

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**Jetta Felder** - May 03, 2007 at 09:28 AM

SH

“ *Sally,  
My heart goes out to the family during this difficult time. I know words don't ease the pain now, but they will be a comfort as time goes on. Only God can offer the comfort you now seek and give you that peace that surpasses all understanding. Please let myself and the Huntsville Elementary family know if we can be of assistance in any way at any time.  
God Bless  
Sondra Hightower*

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**sondra hightower** - April 26, 2007 at 08:12 PM

JS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If you need anything, let us know.*

*Jeannie, Dave & Mikayla*

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**Jeannie Smith** - April 23, 2007 at 03:34 PM

GN

“ I only knew Mark years ago, as Candy's little brother. I just recently learned of Mark's illness and then, so suddenly, his passing. My prayers are with you all, especially Sally and the "Bacon Bits". May God surround you with love during this difficult time. Guy Nichols, Garland, TX.

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**Guy Nichols** - April 23, 2007 at 09:50 AM

JF

“ Sally, Chase, Katy, Taylor, Sam  
Thank you for sharing Mark with me and my family. Mark is one of the best christian men, husband and father I have ever known. I thank God for allowing him to be apart of our lives. I also want to praise him for his time at Kate Barr Ross Park. He has touched many kids thru Huntsville Boys Baseball and never once did he tell me No! I aked him to coach, work fields, concessions and he was always their to help. God Bless!

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**Jimmy Langley & Family** - April 22, 2007 at 06:09 PM

GD

“ Sally, Chase, Taylor, Katy, Sam  
Mark was a wonderful coworker, husband and father. It was great to witness the abundance of happiness he had when the "Bacon Bits" were born, as well as the enormous pride & joy he exhibited for many hours when you could all come by the Business Office for a visit. His wit and laughter will be missed by so many.  
May you all find comfort and peace as God carries you through this hard time.

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**Glenda Daniel** - April 21, 2007 at 09:47 PM

DM

“ *Mark and I were in kindergarten together in the '60s, I double checked the pic of us in halloween costumes. I guess he got put back a year because I graduated in '77.*  
*My condolences in your loss. We have lost quite a few from the high school years '77 plus and minus 2 years.*

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**David McKee** - April 21, 2007 at 02:17 PM

“ Sally, Chase, Sam, Taylor, Katy, Eleanor & Candy, Stan & Hilma, Morrow & family, and so many others who are grieving over the loss of our Mark.....I, too, feel unable to express my thoughts in the sorrowful way I feel in my heart. I have known Mark so many years and sharing special times with him has taught me so many things about his outlook on life. He could find happiness in anything and everything! He could immediately lift spirits by something funny or "one-liners" that were so spontaneous with him! Even when his mischievous nature would cause him to get in trouble, he could find and produce humor in that situation as well! I can fondly recall a more serious moment with him when he and Sally were trying desperately to begin a family and God blessed them with their quads...."The Bacon Bits" as they were often called! Someone commented that they sure would have their hands full and Mark said," I would rather have them full than empty"! Always positive, cheerful, caring and loving! No one was a stranger to them when you were blessed to go to their home! The children were always first in his and Sally's life and their devotion and incredible care and training have shown in the beauty of each of the children's gifts and lives! It was such a joy to drive up to the house and see the children running up to greet you and give hugs and happily tell you of something new they did to their rooms or had found outdoors to play with! I have shared many meals with them since their birth, and loved preparing their "birthday special requests"! Oh, how much we will miss Mark, but God is providing peace and comfort knowing He is okay and He really is not gone from us! He is absent from our vision, perhaps, but not our hearts and memories! As someone else so beautifully expressed, he will continue to live on in the lives of each of his precious children. Sally will continue to be protected, loved and comforted through her wonderful family and friends....We love you all so much. Mi Mi and Pappaw

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**Patsy (Mi Mi) Pierce and Pappaw Heartfield** - April 21, 2007 at 11:40 AM

EK

“ *Sally, Chase, Katy, Sam, and Taylor: We are so sorry for your loss. We pray you find strength in our Lord and comfort in knowing your family will be reunited in His Kingdom one day!*

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**Elizabeth Keith and Lance Keith** - April 20, 2007 at 09:32 PM

RL

“ *I was very close with Mark in junior high and high school, and although I haven't seen him much in recent years, I'll always remember him as a great friend and teammate. Though he was a year ahead of me, we played on numerous baseball teams together growing up as well as high-school football. For an out-of-town game, there was nobody better to sit next to on the bus than Mark. He always had a funny comment and an ongoing, wonderful perspective on life. That's just the official stuff. The real essence I'll remember is the Friday and Saturday nights being high-school kids together. I can still remember his truck pulling up at the end of my driveway on Fish Hatchery Road and me running down there and hopping in. Two kids looking for something to do. I was so sad to hear of Mark's passing but know his spirit will live on in all of us who were lucky enough to have known him. I am so sorry for your loss and please know you're in my thoughts.*

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**Rick Linklater** - April 20, 2007 at 07:17 PM

NF

“ *Dear Eleanor, Please know that my heart goes out to you and your daughter in law. May god console and comfort you! I will keep you both in my prayers. Love, Ninfa Fuente, County Clerk's Office*

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**Ninfa Fuentes** - April 20, 2007 at 02:49 PM

KB

“ *Dear Sally and Family,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers! We haven't visited with you personally since the last class reunion, but we have been kept posted through friends in Huntsville. We will be unable to attend the memorial service tomorrow, but we will be praying for you during that time. God bless you and your family. Love...Kevin, Darlene, Shane and Jared Brown*

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**Kevin and Darlene Brown** - April 20, 2007 at 11:23 AM

JC

“ Eleanor, Sally and children, Candy, and all family members and friends: I am so very sorry for your great loss of Mark. My heart is saddened. He was so young. Most of my memories of Mark are from childhood when we would get together at Grandma Copeland's for the holidays, and all of us cousins would enjoy each other's company. No one can ever take Mark's place. He was unique and special. And now he is in his Heavenly home with the Lord. Our loss is heaven's gain.

Your family has endured a lot of loss, more so than most people have in their lifetimes. Bobby, Jim Bob, Candy's husband, Mark -- all died at such a young age. I cannot even began to fathom, 'Why?' Mark was taken home, leaving behind him a wife and 4 precious children. Only God knows that answer. We must blindly believe that God knows best. That is the only way to make it through the lonely days ahead. I pray that the Lord comforts you and strengthens you all today and in the days to come. May hindsight bring to your hearts answers to some of your questions. May hindsight find you stronger than ever in your Faith.

This is all I know to say. I feel it is not much at all. I feel so helpless and wish I could do or say more to ease your pain. May God bless you all richly.

Judy Copeland (cousin of Mark and niece of Eleanor)  
Palestine, Texas

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**Judy Copeland** - April 19, 2007 at 11:21 PM

AW

“ Eleanor and son, Mark's Family: I am so sorry to read about your son, Eleanor. May you all feel God's loving arms about you; that you have courage and strength to meet the days ahead. I pray you can find peace and comfort in HIS Word. I remember Bobby from Church and Eleanor in PHS. In Christian Love, Ann Spruill Walton

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**Ann Spruill Walton** - April 19, 2007 at 11:18 PM

LH

“ Dear Sally, Chase, Katy, Taylor, and Sam,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers. Neill and Linda Hodges

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**Linda Hodges** - April 19, 2007 at 09:26 PM

SS

“ Words can not even begin to describe how much my heart breaks for your family at this time. I know that your family has experienced a lot of pain the last few months. Candy was a dear friend from the class of 1974 and I remember many a bus ride home with Mark. He was an awesome young man. Like our friend Terri said we don't always understand God's plan, but He never makes a mistake. I pray that God will be very near your family for the coming months.

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**Shannon Skains Sims** - April 19, 2007 at 08:26 PM

DC

“ Mark always wanted to make everyone feel special. Even as a child he and his friend Nathan went out of their way to make me feel 'special' when I was visiting. They put grasshoppers down my blouse, a garden snake in my suitcase, and frogs in my shoes.

Mark made us all feel special but he was he 'one in a million' among us. In addition to being a wonderful father, husband, son, brother and uncle, he was one heck of a great cousin and friend.

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**Diane Copeland** - April 19, 2007 at 08:06 PM

AK

“ Dear Bacon family, I am so sorry for your loss. Even tho, I didn't know you personally, I knew Bobby from Palestine High School. Please know that we will be praying for you and your children to get thru this difficult time. May God Bless you and your family. With love and understanding, Adell Miller Kindt

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**Adell Miller Kindt** - April 19, 2007 at 06:57 PM

JL

“ To Mark's family and loved ones -- It was my privilege to work with Mark at the federal agency in Washington DC as he administered a federally funded education program for the Windham School District. Mark took his work very seriously and did a great job. His concern and integrity were always most apparent. It was my privileged to work with such a dedicated public servant and nice person. Thanks for sharing him with us. I'm very sorry for your loss.

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**John Linton** - April 19, 2007 at 05:51 PM

BD

“ Dearest Eleanor,  
Bob and I are greatly saddened at the death of Mark. We send our love and pray God's comfort for all the family. We cannot be with you Saturday but we will keep you in our prayers.  
May God bless you all.  
Lerla and Bob DuPree

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**Bob and Lerla DuPree** - April 19, 2007 at 05:44 PM

BB

“ Dear Eleanor, Sally and children,

*I was so saddened when I read your note about Mark's passing. I did not know your children, but having known you and Bobby, I know that Mark was a very special person - as all have written on this site. God Bless each of you and know that you are in my heart and prayers.*

*I love you,*

*Bobbie Lou  
Glen Rose, TX*

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**Bobbie Lou Gibson Bridges** - April 19, 2007 at 04:01 PM

GC

“ You and your family are in our prayers.

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**Glenda Clary** - April 19, 2007 at 02:17 PM

SB

“ Dear Bacon Family: I just wanted you to know that Mark and your family has touched my heart, and has left a imprint there forever. How much he made me smile and laugh. Thank you for letting me be apart of his life and your family's life.

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**Sarah Benavides** - April 19, 2007 at 02:16 PM

NN

“ *Eleanor, Candy, Sally, and Children,  
I am so sad to hear about Mark. It was my prayer that a miracle of healing would be your gift from God. We can rest in knowing, as God assured me, when my son had a bad accident, that God has the Power, He has a Purpose, and He has a Plan. We don't understand, but those words to me, brought me comfort and peace in knowing He was in control.*

*May God bless you with His love and comfort. May He wrap His arms around you and give you strength and courage to face the loneliness and emptiness of the days ahead.*

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**Nancy Gibson Neal** - April 19, 2007 at 01:32 PM

JS

“ *Mark was an extremely awesome man. What a wonderful gift he was to our world. We know that his spirit, humor and kindness will live on through his children. We are thinking of you all.*

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**Jennifer, Joe, & Riley Skains** - April 19, 2007 at 01:13 PM

CC

“ *Our heartfelt sympathy to all of you, and please know you are being kept in constant prayer. Mark was undoubtedly a special soul who demonstrated the best a husband, father, and friend could hope to be.*

*Clare & John Pierce, Steve & Lisaann Crixell*

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**Clare & John Pierce, Steve & Lisaann Crixell** - April 19, 2007 at 12:36 PM

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“ My thoughts, love and prayers go out to everyone. I only knew Mark as a young person and Candy's little brother. I spent many wonder days and nights in the Bacon's home growing up. I can not begin to know the pain and loss you all are feeling. We can not understand sometimes God's devine plans for us, may He be with you all as you travel through life on earth with out Mark.

My love and prayers are with you.

Terri Bebo Fountain HHS class of 1974

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**Terri (Bebo)Fountain** - April 19, 2007 at 12:26 PM

SD

“ Sally, Eleanor and kids, I only had the priviledge of meeting Mark briefly a few times at Eleanor's home, but each time he was always so very upbeat. As I have read above, that seems to have been his demeanor all the time. He touched many people and will be greatly missed in this community. My heartfelt love, support and prayers go to each of you during this difficult and sad time.

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**Sally Dowis** - April 19, 2007 at 12:16 PM

PF

“ Dear Bacon Family...what wonderful memories you have to cherish forever of such an incredible Father, husband, and friend. Mark touched the lives of so many during his lifetime and I was one of them. I had the pleasure of Mark's friendship back in the glory days of HHS. His dry sense of humor was infectuous and everyone loved having Mark around. The most memorable moment of Mark that makes me laugh every time I think about it was a Senior party at Riverside. A group was coming back from water skiing and there was Mark standing at the front of the boat wearing an arrow hat yelling "Go back, go back...Indian's are coming!" What a guy!! May God bless you all during this difficult time. Sincerely, Penny Childers Fuller & Family.

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**Penny Childers Fuller** - April 19, 2007 at 11:02 AM

TW

“ Too sad for words. Hoisting one for the B Man here in DC. "To Mark and men like him -- too few of them left!"

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**Teresa Wagamon** - April 19, 2007 at 08:58 AM

SH

“ Sally, Katy, Taylor, Chase, Sam and other Family members. We want you to know our Love, Thoughts and Prayers are with you during this time of your loss. May God Bless you all and help you during these difficult times.  
Smoky and Britney Holland

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**Smoky & Britney Holland** - April 18, 2007 at 11:35 PM

SP

“ We are sorrowful for your loss. May the thoughts and prayers of the many, many friends who are thinking of you and praying for you be felt and give you strength in the coming days.

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**Stan and Kay Provus** - April 18, 2007 at 09:22 PM

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“ TO MARK BACON'S FAMILY: OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME. WE SEND A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR STAN AND HILMA, OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS. DR. TROY AND NORMA OXNER, HOT SPRINGS, AR.

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**troy and norma oxner** - April 18, 2007 at 08:34 PM

TF

“ *The Bacon Family,  
May God give you strength and courage during this difficult time.  
We want you to know that we are here for you in any way that we  
can help. Keep your faith in God strong, our thoughts and prayers  
are with all of you.*

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**The Thornton Family** - April 18, 2007 at 07:34 PM

SR

“ *Sally, Chase, Sam, Taylor and Katy- My thought and prayers are  
with you in this time of sorrow. Mark was a great man and a  
wonderful daddy he will be missed. I am here for you and the kids,  
and my god be with you every step of the way.*

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**Sabrina (Thornton) Rowley** - April 18, 2007 at 07:30 PM

GG

“ *I just don't think the words have been created that could possibly  
express the sorrow we all feel for the loss of such a special person,  
and for the grief his family is facing. Mark always had that big  
beautiful wide smile pasted on his face, and found people smiling  
right back at him. He was a wonderful example of what a husband,  
father and friend should be - his wonderful family and multitude of  
friends prove it.*

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**Gary and Kathy Gibbs** - April 18, 2007 at 07:26 PM

KF

“ *To the Bacon Family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this  
difficult time. We pray that you will be able to draw strength from  
God in this time of pain and sorrow.*

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**Kennedy Chandonnet and Family** - April 18, 2007 at 07:21 PM

NJ

“ To the Bacon Family: We are thinking about you during this trying time of your life. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. I was the SHSU Alumni Director while David was there. Norma Dell Jones of Lovelady, TX

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**Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones** - April 18, 2007 at 07:15 PM

TZ

“ To the Bacon Bits: Your dad was a great coach and he always made me laugh. I'll miss him.  
Thomas Zaiontz, Hornets 11u

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**Thomas Zaiontz** - April 18, 2007 at 06:51 PM

AA

“ To the Bacon family:  
May God be with you and your family. You are in our prayers.  
Alan and Debby Atchley  
Hot Springs Shrine Club

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**Alan Atchley** - April 18, 2007 at 06:24 PM

SS

“ To Sally and the Bacon Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss of Mark. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Mark was such a funny, entertaining and pleasant person to be around. I have so many wonderful memories of growing up with Mark. You have my deepest sympathy. Remember that this community is filled with people who care about you and are thinking about in this difficult time.  
We share in your grief and send you our love,  
Sue and Danny Slater

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**Sue (Mize) Slater** - April 18, 2007 at 05:24 PM

BJ

“ Barry and I wanted you and the kids to know how very sorry we are for your loss. Mark was such a great guy. He could tell a tale like no one else with that wonderful smile and that infectious laugh. I know that he is one of Barry's most cherished childhood memories. It is a blessing to have known him and to know that his spirit will live on each day through Sam, Taylor, Chase and Katy. Please know that our prayers and thoughts are with you and the kids each day.  
Sherry and Barry Johnson

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**Barry and Sherry Johnson** - April 18, 2007 at 04:59 PM

RT

“ i knew mr.bacon ,through his buetiful duaghter Katy.when the bacon family went to second baptist church ,katy and i grew up together.through awanas and fall 56. we have had such a great sisterhood through christ.i give my heart to Katy and the bacon family ,always in my thoughts and prays.  
Katy if you every need anything call me @936-355-0136.your dad was an amazing dad and you kids and your mom were and always will be his sunshine on a cloudy day.

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**Renee Taylor** - April 18, 2007 at 04:11 PM

BM

“ Eleanor, I am so sorry for the loss of your son. I have not seen you in many years, but I just wanted you to know I am praying for you and your family at this sorrowful time. I miss seeing you. Billye

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**Billye Muecke** - April 18, 2007 at 04:00 PM

BK

“ Sally, Taylor, Sam, Chase and Katy,

*Please know that our thoughts, prayers, and love are with you now and always. It's our prayer that God will give you comfort and strength in dealing with the loss of such an exceptional man. You are all very special to us!*

*We've enjoyed a lifetime of blessings, laughter, unique memories and happy times as a result of having Mark Bacon as our friend. It was a delight to know him in high school and a gift to renew that friendship during the last 10 years or so. Mark David Bacon didn't just leave us with just laughs, he left us with countless happy memories!! Our world is a much better place thanks to Mark, and he will be missed greatly by many people – for a long, long time.*

*Mark's gifts of humor, positive outlook and irrepressible attitude were contagious, and they are apparent in his children. His family was always the brightest light in his life, and he showed us every day what it means to be a devoted husband, father, and friend. He treasured the gifts God gave him in each of you. Thank you for sharing him with us!*

*With much love,  
Philip, Bambi, Ren and Brittany Kiser*

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**Bambi (Irby) Kiser** - April 18, 2007 at 03:04 PM

JB

“ To Sally & the Bacon family, I don't think that there are words to convey one's sorrow over the loss of such a good husband/son/father/friend. He was truly one of the most fun people I'll ever remember while growing up. I know that during the 1st or 2nd day of school every year, when we went to those classes we hated...the smile it would bring to our faces when we walked in & saw that Mark Bacon was in that class! We knew then that that teacher had no idea what he/she were in for, but we all had a pretty good idea! :) I remember one teacher that REFUSED to call him by his middle name & when she called roll, it was always DAVID Bacon. It took a while, but she FINALLY gave in after his refusal to answer several times when she called him David. You just had to be there to see the smile on his face! I think he must have loved sitting at the front of the class, because it always seemed to be where he ended up being assigned! Even while the rest of us would be laughing, Mark was always respectful & never showed any sign of temper or rudeness. I just don't think it was in him. I am sure there are thousands more stories of Mark out there & of how he has touched everyone's lives. Just try to remember all the wonderful memories you have & not of his final days. Take care & you're in our prayers!

Jamie & family

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Jamie Ellisor Brinegar - April 18, 2007 at 02:33 PM

DR

“ Dearest Bacon Family,  
Our heartfelt sympathy goes to all of you. Mark was an Awesome Man who touched the lives of so many. You all were his pride and joy. We will miss him and keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless you!! Roy & Deanie Rose

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Deanie Rose - April 18, 2007 at 02:09 PM

CF

“ *Sally, please know that I may be miles away but I am here for you during this time and beyond. You have been blessed with a wonderful husband and four great kids to carry on his memory. Don't hesitate to call at any hour, any day. I love you, girl.*

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**Carla (Berry) Fajardo** - April 18, 2007 at 01:40 PM

TC

“ *I just wanted to let the Mark Bacon family know that they are in our prayers. You only had to walk into Mark's office to see what was most important to him in life. The many pictures of his family. He would always let me know how the children were doing in sports and what animals they were showing in the livestock show. It was a pleasure to know him and he was a great example for all.*  
*Sincerely tommy crane*

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**Tommy Crane** - April 18, 2007 at 12:08 PM

JW

“ Mark was a childhood friend, and the one that this younger kid looked up to for many years. I remember countless days wasted playing baseball on the Johnson's field, running through the woods with Mark's dog Little Joe, and laughing with glee everytime a bottle rocket exploded underneath the Bacon's Pond surface and made a "whoomp" noise. Of course, time spent with Mark was never truly wasted, for even at that young age, one recognized the humor and the values that he would so wonderfully exhibit in later life. During High School, Mark's humor was legendary and often the talk of the school--you just found yourself wanting to be around him because you never knew when he would say or do something that would send you into hysterics. After High School, I lost touch with Mark, but anytime his name came up, I always heard three things: "He loves those kids!" "He's a great husband!" "He's still Bacon." The latter meant he still had his sense of humor and still brought joy to others--as if there were any other course possible for Mark. I regret not looking him up during one of my infrequent Huntsville visits, but I always knew he was doing a little bit everyday to make the world a better place. My condolences to Sally and the kids and all who valued Mark.

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**Jim Whittington** - April 18, 2007 at 11:53 AM

SB

“ Sally, Katie, Sam, Taylor & Chase, I am so, so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you now and always. May God Bless you All and keep each of you close to him. We pray for God to give you the strength and courage to get through this difficult time. Our deepest sympathy.

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**Sandy & Serra Bauer** - April 18, 2007 at 11:07 AM

KG

“ I only knew Mark as Candy's little brother. I was/still am a friend of Candy's and I have such fond memories of her family to this day. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal." ..and it is clear to see he was very loved and he loved deeply.

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**Karen Grisham** - April 18, 2007 at 11:05 AM

BM

“ Sally, Chase, Taylor, Katy, and Sam: I am so blessed to have shared a short time with Mark at WSD Administration. He walked by my desk everyday for over a year and he always smiled and said something that always made me laugh. He always took the time to make sure everything was o.k. I know the love that he had for you Sally and for each of you children, you were definitely the loves of his life. Mark touched my heart with his humor and love and joy for all of you. My love, prayers and thoughts are with each of you. Mark will be sure to keep God laughing as you did all of us!!

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**B.J. McGuire** - April 18, 2007 at 10:27 AM

MB

“ To Mark's Family:

*Truly, Mark was the funniest guy in our high school. Our family is so sorry to hear of his passing. We will keep you in our thoughts.*

*Molly and Family*

*<http://mollylou.tripod.com>*

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**Molly Berke** - April 18, 2007 at 10:18 AM

RC

“ Mark, you will be missed. I laugh as I think of all the good times we had together in high school and college. You were a loyal and trusted friend. Those are far and few. Though we moved on with our lives and our responsibilities aligned more with our new families, each time we would cross paths it was like we never parted. Thank you Mark for being my friend. My prayers have been with you and remain at this time.

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**Russell Coleman** - April 18, 2007 at 09:26 AM

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“ Sally,  
You and the family are in my prayers. May God give you the strength that you need to carry on. Mark and I didn't get to know each other that well but I can tell you that he was very sweet and kind to me. Please remember that God still loves you and he knows what's best. You are a very strong person and I know you will get through this storm.

Love,  
Doris

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**Doris** - April 18, 2007 at 09:04 AM

BS

“ Sally,  
Our love and prayers are with you and the children at this difficult time. Our happy memories of Mark when he visited us at Christmas time in Colorado will always be remembered and treasured. Mark was a good person and will be remembered for his wonderful nature and big smile. We are thankful to have known Mark and may he rest in peace. Love, Betty and Jim Stevens

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**Betty & Jim Stevens** - April 18, 2007 at 08:50 AM

KM

“ I was so saddened to hear of Mark's passing. My prayers go out to his family. One of my fondest high school memories is about Mark and his old blue pickup that had a lawn chair for the driver and a bean bag chair for the passenger. I think it went all of 20 or 30 mph and we attempted to go water ballooning in it. We were not very successful, but had a great time any way.

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**Kari Jones Mitchell** - April 18, 2007 at 08:41 AM

HW

“ I was very sorry to hear this news. I didn't know Mark well in my adult years, but I remember Mark well from our youth, playing football in the seventh and eighth grade. What I remember most about Mark is that he was always a jolly and friendly person to everyone. I will keep Mark in my memory forever. I believe Mark was a person who affected many lives. In Heaven, Mark will be one of God's favorites. Howell W

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**Howell Williams** - April 18, 2007 at 08:23 AM

KG

“ Sally, Chase, Sam, Taylor and Katy-I can't begin to express how sorry I am for your loss. Mark was a good friend and co-worker. Sally, may God Bless You and the Kids. Mark will truly be missed.

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**Kendell Guthrie** - April 18, 2007 at 08:16 AM

TN

“ To the Bacon Family:

*I'm so saddened to hear of your loss. I worked with Mark while at Windham School District and it was always a pleasure. My heart goes out to you and your family during this difficult time.*

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**Tammie Nokes** - April 18, 2007 at 08:07 AM

SF

“ Sally, Chase, Sam, Katy, and Taylor: Our hearts and prayers go out to you in your time of sorrow. Mark was such a fine man, I know he made a lasting impression on everyone he touched. Mark will truly be missed by all. If we can do anything for you, just call. My God Bless you and your family, Steve and Norma O'Bannon

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**Steve & Norma O'Bannon & family** - April 18, 2007 at 08:04 AM

GM

“ Sally, Our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family. There's no words to express how sad it was to get this news of Mark. May God comfort and be with you and your family during this very trying time.

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**Gina, Taylor and Mason Morrison** - April 17, 2007 at 10:46 PM

PK

“ Eleanor, Sally and all the Bacon family, We were so sadden by the passing of Mark. He was such a happy person and such a good friend. May God bless all of you and we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Peggy and Milton Kroesche

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**Peggy Kroesche** - April 17, 2007 at 09:34 PM

SY

“ Sally, Katy and Sam, Chase and Taylor,  
I am so sorrow about the loss of your husband and dad and a friend to many. Your first day of kindergarten will forever be a part of my memory as Mom and Dad Bacom brought the Quads to HES. I was blessed to teach Katy and Sam and to learn about Mark through them. Your dad touched our world at work, at home, and in our community in so many ways and through all of you. He has guided you and been a role model to you so that you to will touch your school, your family and your community in ways he will be so proud of. Sally, you are a pillar of strength and the children are so blessed to have such a wonderful, fun, and loving mom. Trey, Jake, Porky and I will keep you in our prayers. God bless and hold all of you. Have strength in him.

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**Sharla Young** - April 17, 2007 at 09:29 PM

LZ

“ To the Bacon family: Mark touched so many lives so we find comfort knowing a part of him lives on through Chase, Katy, Sam, and Taylor. I hope the memories that help us smile and laugh during this time will be ones that sustain you in the future. I miss my friend, but thank God for bringing him into our lives.  
Lavonne and Pat Zaiontz, WSD/Hornets 11u

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**Lavonne Zaiontz** - April 17, 2007 at 09:05 PM

RH

“ Sally, Sam, Chase, Katy, and Taylor,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Austin was so lucky to have Mark as his baseball coach and he will be greatly missed. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Ruth Lynne Hutchison** - April 17, 2007 at 08:37 PM

SR

“ To the Bacon Family, My heart and my prayers are with your family at this difficult time. I pray for God to strengthen you. Mark was so kind to me when I first came to work for Windham, and such a help to me. I am so sorry for your loss.

*Sharon Reynolds, WSD, Michael Unit*

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**Sharon Reynolds** - April 17, 2007 at 07:51 PM

DB

“ To Sally and the Bacon Family: I was saddened to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time.

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**Donna Boone** - April 17, 2007 at 07:13 PM

DM

“ It has truly been an honor, and I have been blessed to have shared time with Mark in this life. His spirit lives in each one of us that knew him. He drew people to him through his humor, wit, honesty and loyalty. These things will never be forgotten because it shapes people's lives and they are moved by them. I am richer and a better human being having known Mark. God Bless. Derek Matthys

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**Derek Matthys** - April 17, 2007 at 07:03 PM

MP

“ Sally, Chase, Katy, Taylor, Sam: We are so sorry to hear about Mark. Your husband & Dad was a wonderful person. He will be missed by many people. We will keep you in our prayers. Our most sincere condolences are with you & your whole family. Michele, Shawn, & Chris Patrick

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**Michele Patrick** - April 17, 2007 at 05:36 PM

AB

“ John and I send our thoughts and prayers to the Bacon family at their time of loss.

Amy Bradley - April 17, 2007 at 05:05 PM

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“ Sally, Sam, Taylor, Chase and Katie: Mark was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. May God comfort you during this time.

Lisa (Slott)Townsend - April 17, 2007 at 05:00 PM

TF

“ Sally and kids, we cannot express our feelings in words at this time... know that we are praying for you. Our heart is with you... what a legacy your husband and father was to this community! we were honored to know him!

The Metz family - April 17, 2007 at 04:11 PM

CM

“ I feel so honored to have known Mark! He will always be remembered as a wonderful family man! His memories include being a great role model for all husbands, and fathers! Sally--the children are greatly blessed to have such a strong and supportive mother! We are here for you anytime you need anything!!!!  
All of our love,  
Chris & Bryan

Christina & Bryan Matthys - April 17, 2007 at 03:58 PM

DT

“ To Sally, Katy, Chase, Taylor, Sam, Eleanor, Candy, Paige and Adam. We are so sorry to hear about your loss of Mark. He was a very special person and we will never forget all of his humor and terrific friendship. We will miss him. Y'all are in our thoughts and prayers. If there is anything we can do, please let us know. May God hold you and comfort you in his arms. Dorothea, James and Ruth Tarver, Rachel and Randy Tucker

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**Dorothea and James Tarver** - April 17, 2007 at 03:48 PM

NB

“ To the Bacon Family:  
Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.  
Our sincere condolences,  
Norma & Felix Buxkemper

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**Norma & Felix Buxkemper** - April 17, 2007 at 03:18 PM

CW

“ My heartfelt condolences to Mark's family. I was Mark's counselor at Huntsville High School. He was a great student and a great guy. We were blessed to have known him and the example, as a human, that he set.

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**Clayton Waits** - April 17, 2007 at 03:00 PM

SJ

“ I'm deeply saddened that the world has lost such a terrific guy. It's been my pleasure to have known Mark for the last seven years through the Youthful Offender Program here at Alvin Community College. By skillfully directing the Youthful Offender grant, he has enhanced the lives of hundreds of incarcerated young men and helped them open doors to responsible, productive lives beyond the walls. He will truly be missed! May God bless his family -- the loves of his life -- in this time of sorrow...

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**Suzanne Jerabeck** - April 17, 2007 at 02:40 PM

SB

“ Our heart go out to your whole family. I had the pleasure of working with Mark through the Youthful Offender Grant Program. We always enjoyed talking about the kids and the joy his family brought him. His efforts within Windham and the YOP program had a profound impact on the lives of many young men. This world has been a better place having had Mark Bacon in it. May God hold you and keep you close.

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**Sara Bouse** - April 17, 2007 at 02:24 PM

SG

“ Dear Bacon family, Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Susan Kiser Gordon*

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**Susan Kiser Gordon** - April 17, 2007 at 02:02 PM

TF

“ As part of your church family, know that we are here for you during this difficult time for whatever needs you may have. Our prayers and thoughts are with you, and know that God's arms are wrapped tightly around you this very moment.

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**The Deveney Family** - April 17, 2007 at 01:43 PM

SH

“ *Sally and Children: Words can't express the sorrow that our family feels for your loss. Mark was a wonderful man who has left footprints on many hearts. I will continue to pray that the Lord continue to surround you with Angels so that you will feel a comfort during this trying time.*

*The Hayes Family*

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**Susan Hayes** - April 17, 2007 at 01:35 PM

DS

“ *To the Bacon Family:  
On behalf of the WSD South Texas Regional Staff,  
our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

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**David Chagoya and South Texas Region Staff** - April 17, 2007 at 01:30 PM

HW

“ To Sally, Chase, Kathy, Sam and Bacon Family,  
Words can not express the great sorrow I feel today after getting the bad news about Mark. Mark and I worked together for many years and shared many, many fun and crazy times together. He was indeed a special person and was loved by all who knew him. There is a saying that says" No one will ever remember the things that we were given, but we will never forget the way a person made us feel", well, he always made me feel special and laugh and that is something I will always remember. My only regret is that we somehow drifted apart and I could not be there for him in his final days, I will truly miss him. God bless you Sally and your family.  
Howard & Jennifer White  
WSD 1984 - 1995

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**Howard White** - April 17, 2007 at 01:29 PM

DF

“ Sally, Chase, Katy, Taylor, Sam & Lucy: Words cannot express the sorrow we feel for your loss. You are our extended family and we love all of you very much. We just want you to know that we are here anytime, day or night to help in any way we can. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Dorothy Davis & Family** - April 17, 2007 at 01:02 PM

BG

“ Sally, Chase, Katie, Sam and Taylor- We are honored to have known Mark as a co-worker and friend but greater still to witness him as a husband and father. He will be missed but always remembered. While we cannot fathom your loss, we grieve with you and pray for each one of you by name and ask God to take you into his hands and ease your pain. John 14:1-4

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**Brent, Jill, Taylor and Rachel Gunn** - April 17, 2007 at 12:56 PM

RR

“ Sally, Chase, Katy, Taylor and Sam-Words can't begin to express the sorrow that I feel for your family. Mark was a wonderful person with a great personality and will truly be missed by all. His jokes and stories along with his friendship will always be cherished. I will continue to pray for you all during this difficult time. May God bless you all.

*Rhonda Reddoch*

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**Rhonda Reddoch** - April 17, 2007 at 12:31 PM

BM

“ Sally, Chase, Sam, Katy and Taylor,

*ChristaBryn, Christina and I and our whole family love all of you and will always be here for you along with our church family. May God give you strength and carry you through this time of need. Mark will be sincerely missed.*

*Bryan and Christina Matthys' Family*

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**Bryan Matthys** - April 17, 2007 at 12:20 PM

SK

“ Sally, I am so sorry for your loss. We will all miss Mark but will cherish all the fond memories we have of the times we got to spend with him over the past several years. Please let us know if there is ever anything we can do. I would be glad to keep the kids anytime you need someone to watch them and my girls would absolutely love it. We love you guys and will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. God bless you!

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**Suzette Kohers** - April 17, 2007 at 11:43 AM

MC

“ To Mark's family: I will forever cherish the memories that I have of Mark. Since he worked down the hall from me, I enjoyed our conversations daily of the Houston Astros. Sally, may Jehovah bless you and the children with many fond memories of Mark as he has blessed me. I will truly miss him. You and your family have my deepest regrets.

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**Mario Cotton** - April 17, 2007 at 11:27 AM

JK

“ No words can really express what I'm feeling right now. Please know that you're in my thoughts and prayers. With sincere sympathy, Jason Komar

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**Jason Komar** - April 17, 2007 at 11:19 AM

RF

“ To Sally, Chase, Kathy, Taylor and Sam: Mike and I send our prayers and condolences to each of you. Mark will always be remembered as a special friend, and co-worker. I cherish the many memories of pranks, jokes, laughs, conversations and much more that he shared with me. He will be missed! Just know that we are there for you in any way that we can help during this difficult time and in the future.

*With Heartfelt Sympathy,*

*Mike and Rhonda Flanagin*

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**Rhonda Flanagin** - April 17, 2007 at 11:12 AM

LC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. May God continue to keep you and comfort you.*

*LaTreace Craig, WSD HR*

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**Latreace Craig** - April 17, 2007 at 11:04 AM

CS

“ *My heart and prayers go out to your family. I will continue to pray for you and yours.*

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**Cathy Sturrock** - April 17, 2007 at 11:03 AM

VH

“ *To the Bacon Family :*

*No words to express the sorrow. My heart and prayers are with your family. May god be with you to give you strenght during this difficult time.*

*My deepest condolences,*

*Violet Hayden  
WSD/Business Office*

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**Violet Hayden** - April 17, 2007 at 11:00 AM