



James Edward "Cricket" Gregory, Jr.

May 7, 1957 - December 18, 2012

James Edward (Cricket) Gregory, Jr.

James Edward "Cricket" Gregory, Jr., of Huntsville, Texas passed away on Tuesday, December 18, 2012, at the age of 55 years old from ALS/Lou Gehrig's disease. He was born on May 7, 1957 in Houston, Texas to James Edward Gregory, Sr., and Shirley June Gregory.

He graduated from Huntsville High School in 1976. While still in High School, James was employed by Guerrant's Lucky Seven grocery store, until the time of its closing, at which time he went to work for Minimax/Piggly Wiggly, until its closing. James has been employed by Sam Houston State University since 1990.

James loved to hunt with his Dad, brother, uncles and friends. He also loved to drive his 4-wheeler, Polaris Ranger and tractor at the Gregory farm in Shiro, Texas.

James is preceded in death by his father, James Edward Gregory, Sr. He is survived by his mother, Shirley June Gregory; his sister, Gerrie Lynn Gregory Scott; his brother and sister-in-law, Johnny and Jeri Jo Gregory; his niece, Jenna Devin Gregory; and his nephew, Jacob Jeremiah Gregory. He is also survived by his aunt, Alice Justice and husband Bill of Houston, Texas; uncles,

Dalton Gregory of Tarkington Prairie, Texas; Clyde Reynolds and wife Barbara of El Campo, Texas; Johnny Reynolds and wife, Kaye of Midway, Texas; and a whole host of other aunts, uncles, cousins and friends, of which there are too many to name.

The family wishes to thank Huntsville Pediatric and Adult Medicine - Nurse Practitioner, Patricia O'Brien. Also, home healthcare providers, Penny Dornbush and Diane Smith.

Funeral services will be Thursday, December 20, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 Normal Park, Huntsville, Texas. Pastor John Gaston will be officiating. Burial will follow service at Ryan Cemetery in Tarkington Prairie, Texas at 2:00 p.m. Visitation will be Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at the funeral home from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Serving as pallbearers are Rick Morris, Will Kennedy, George Badgett, Rob McCaffety, Grady Glass and Jeremy Barnes. Those serving as honorary pallbearers are Clyde Morris, Eugene McCaffety, Pete Smith, Bobby Blair, Lynn Brayshaw and Bill McLeod.

If desired, the family requests donations to the following: Pleasant Hills Children's Home, P. O. Box 1177, Fairfield, Texas 75840, (903) 389-2641, or website www.pleasanthillschildrenshome.org

Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *James Edward "Cricket" Gregory, Jr.*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *June and family,
Rick and I want you to know how thankful
we are to be a part of your family. We know
how much Jimmy will be missed. He is such a
fine person. I know his dad was thrilled to see him.
What a blessing to know they are safely tucked
in the arms of our Lord.*

Christy and Rick Henderson - December 31, 2012 at 12:12 AM



“ *Mrs. Gregory, Gerrie, Johnny, Jeri Jo, Jenna, and Jacob, we were
so saddened to hear of Cricket's illness and then his passing. He
was such a good "kid". He will always be young to us because he
was so young at heart. He truly was one of the best people we
have ever had the privilege to have in our lives. Thank you all for
sharing your son, brother, and uncle with us! He was such an
example of faith, goodness, and love. We know that he is where he
belongs and deserves to be, in Heaven with Jesus and his Dad.
Please call on us if you need us for anything.
Love you all, Sharon, Gary, Justin, Stacey, and Tiffany*

Sharon and Gary Schultz - December 28, 2012 at 10:24 AM

DT

“ June and family, I am so sorry about your loss of Jim. He was such a fine person and such a positive and kind one. I don't think he ever saw anything bad in any person he met. In fact, I don't believe I ever saw anything other than a smile on his face. He did love to go to church, hunting, bowling, to the country, to Sam Houston State and San Marcos. I will miss his phone calls to check on me even when he was sick himself. Such a caring person. You and your family are in my prayers. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you through these tough times. I love you and your family so much and feel so blessed to have your friendship.

Dorothea Tarver - December 20, 2012 at 12:51 AM

JM

“ I am so sorry to hear about James. I can't remember a time when he was not in a good mood. Glad I was able to get to know him. Everyone will miss him, but never forget him.

Jerry McMillian - December 19, 2012 at 09:37 PM

JG

“ Dear June and Gerrie and family our lives are forever changed by Crickets passing:(He was a sweet soul always smiling and talking to people at church! All of the former messages written say it all what a legacy he has left!!!! He really impacted many lives of all ages:) That in itself is quite a testimony of who he was and what he stood for:)I pray for Father God to send His Holy Spirit to bring peace and comfort to each of you in a way that only He can do:)Love in Christ Jesus, Cindy & Jack

Jack & Cindy Goodwin - December 19, 2012 at 11:40 AM

ER

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Cricket meant the world to Tyler and I and we will miss him terribly. Please know that he touched so many lives and will never be forgotten! I have been blessed to have known him since I was a little girl and I am so glad that my daughter was able to have him in her life as well, even if only for a short time. The whole Gregory family has touched our lives in some way and we are truly grateful. I pray that God brings peace to your family in this sad time and that He brings the comfort of knowing that Cricket is in a much better place. We love ya'!!!

Erica Reeves - December 19, 2012 at 11:09 AM

NG

“ Dear June, I was so saddened to read about Cricket's passing. He was such an inspiration to all who knew him, and I know how much you will miss him. How wonderful to know that he is in your future. My prayers are with you and your family.

Nancy Gatlin - December 19, 2012 at 10:10 AM

NR

“ My love and prayers are with you as you go through this awfully rough time. I pray that God will bless you with comfort and peace!!

As I told my children that Cricket had passed away, each of them were so very saddened. They all began to recount fond memories of Cricket at church and all of them said that church will not be the same without him. May one of your condolences be that Cricket did touch lives and not just those of the people his age. He also touched the lives of the younger generation at church

Love your whole family so much!!

Nancy Reeves

Nancy Reeves - December 19, 2012 at 10:00 AM

RT

“ June, Gerrie, Johnny, Jeri Jo, Jake, and Jenna
I am so sorry to hear of your loss of Jim. All of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Let me know if there is anything I can do.

Ruth Tarver - December 18, 2012 at 10:33 PM

PS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Pat and Sue

Pat Sprott - December 18, 2012 at 09:14 PM

LJ

“ June and family,
We pray for your peace and celebrate Jimmie's home going. I was proud to have him as a friend and he will be sorely missed by all whoe knew him. God's peace
Lynn Jr and family

Lynn M Brayshaw Jr - December 18, 2012 at 08:34 PM

JB

“ So sorry to hear about Jimmy.
Know he will be missed so much but just know
God has him in his loving arms.
Keeping you all in my prayers

James & Joretta Bryan - December 18, 2012 at 08:17 PM

RR

“ Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. I always enjoyed Jimmy, he was such a happy and out going person who lived life to the fullest and enjoyed the outdoors and loved sharing that with others. Heaven has a new member who will bring Joy to those who have gone before.

Ronnie & Liz Reynolds - December 18, 2012 at 05:57 PM

JF

“ June & Gerrie! I was soooooo very sorry to hear about Cricket. He LOVED to push me around in my wheelchair, & he & I would cause SUCH a stir!!
But we sure had fun! I really did ALWAYS look forward to seeing him. One thing for sure he's walking on streets of gold right now, & maybe doing some fishing in the river of life! Oh to be there to. I pray that our Heavenly Father will comfort, strengthen & Bless your hearts. That you will feel His presence now & in the coming days.

Love & Prayers, Andy & Janet Frazier

Janet Frazier - December 18, 2012 at 03:55 PM

GG

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. James was always smiling and always had something uplifting to say. I am glad to have known him. He is missed.

Glenda Griffin - December 18, 2012 at 02:55 PM

JV

“ To the Gregory Family: we are sorry and saddened to hear of James's (Cricket's) passing. He was one of the kindest, most generous, fun, loving human beings we have ever known. He ALWAYS made us smile with his stories, his re-enactments or simply by giving us a smile or a hug. He was always there to lend a helping hand and work for God in the church getting things done. His presence will surely be missed, but his spirit will always be felt. God Bless You and Yours All of Your Days.

James, Nicole, Oma, JR & Skylar Venette - December 18, 2012 at 02:54 PM

LM

“ I'm so sorry to hear of James' passing. James was a wonderful person. His sense of humor was uplifting and his caring was very much appreciated. We miss him.

Linda Meyer - December 18, 2012 at 02:16 PM

KL

“ James is the only person that I can think of that was ALWAYS positive. The world (and my world) was a wonderful place with him in it. He was good to me, my daughter, my niece and my husband. I am going to miss my "King Kong" of the library.

Kathleen Love - December 18, 2012 at 02:11 PM

JS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. James never failed to put a smile on my face. His kindness and gentle soul was truly a gift, I am so thankful to have known him.

Jennifer Skains - December 18, 2012 at 02:01 PM

LI

“ God received a special angel today. Mrs. Gregory you raised a fine young man who saw good in everyone and was full of joy and happiness. James always reminded their were good people left in this world just by seeing his smiling face. I have lost my Bearkat Buddy but James is a peace and not suffering, through that we find peace. I am so glad that I got to visit with James yesterday and tell him how special he was to me. Their are no words to take away your pain, I just pray that in time the wonderful memories James left for everyone replace the pain in your heart at this time. If you need anything please just call me I will do whatever you need.

Lisa - December 18, 2012 at 01:50 PM

TB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. James was a wonderful, loving person. I don't believe I ever saw him without a grin on his face. He enriched our lives with his kindness and generosity, and I will always remember his joyous attitude toward life. He set a fine example for all of us - the world could use more loving souls like James Gregory's. Although our hearts are saddened, we are so thankful to have known him. May you find solace and comfort in your memories of James.

Tanya & David Baum - December 18, 2012 at 01:28 PM

BN

“ So sorry and saddened to see James has passed away. Glad I was able to visit with him this year. June, you and the family are in my prayers. May God put his loving arms around you and comfort you at this time. If I can be of help, please call!

Beverly Niederhofer - December 18, 2012 at 12:58 PM