



Robert Eugene Yates

April 22, 1956 - October 18, 2016

Robert Eugene Yates, age 60, died here in his hometown of Huntsville, Texas on Tuesday, October 18, 2016. He was born April 22, 1956 to Robert Augusta Jr. and Mary Etta Yates. Robert is preceded in death by his parents; his grandparents, Robert Augusta Sr. and Jane Alice Yates and Lawrence and Lillie Mae Fletcher; and great-nephew, Blake Newman.

Robert was born and raised here in Huntsville. He was a proud Hornet and was a very talented member of the Hornet Marching Band. He made numerous academic accomplishments throughout his school career. He made lifelong friends whom he kept in touch with up to the time of his passing. In the 1980's, Robert moved to Galveston where he worked as a graphic artist. He used his talent and love for art and even designed the signs for the historic ship, The Elissa in Galveston. When you see these signs, you can think of Robert and his wonderful creativity and flair for the arts. Later, he moved south to Corpus Christi, where he lived for over 20 years. Again, he worked in the graphic industry as a lithographer. He leaves behind countless friends from there as well. Robert, or "Bob" as many knew him, will be remembered for his stunning imagination and artistic abilities, his quirky sense of humor, his creativity with projects, art and building, his green thumb and love of plants and nature, and his beautiful singing voice. He loved to help others and used his talents to help raise money and benefit many people throughout his life. Robert is survived by his sister and husband, Debbie and Mike Skidmore;

brother and wife, Steve and B.J. Yates; niece and husband, Sandy and David Newman; nephew and wife, Joe and Katy Tyler; nephew, Cody Yates; niece, Mandy Yates; nephew, Cliff Yates. Great-nieces and nephews: Tori Yates, Morgan Newman, Gus Newman, Savannah Tyler, Ty Tyler, Gracie Love, Colby Yates and Leighton Yates. Robert is also survived by many beloved aunts, uncles and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial donation to Family Faith Church in Coldsprings, Texas or Cook Springs Baptist Church in Huntsville, Texas.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM, with the family receiving friends at 10:00 AM, on Saturday, October 22, 2016 in the chapel at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow the service at McAdams Cemetery in Huntsville, Texas.

Cemetery Details

McAdams Cemetery

1251 Fm 1696 Rd W
Crabbs Prairie, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
belinda@shmfmh.com

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Robert Eugene Yates

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ Joel Mora lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Joel Mora - October 25, 2016 at 08:10 PM



Fue un plaser conocerte! amigo vaya con Dios! A quote from Rose Kennedy "It has been said, 'time heals all wounds.' I do not agree. The wounds remain. In time, the mind, protecting its sanity, covers them with scar tissue and the pain lessens. But it is never gone." Gone Too Soon!! May you rest in peace. You will be missed. From your friends in Corpus Christi Texas.

Joel Mora - October 25, 2016 at 08:19 PM



“ Marlene J Watkins-Williams lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Marlene J Watkins-Williams - October 25, 2016 at 11:53 AM

DR

“ *Debbie and Steve we are so sad about the loss of Robert. David and I have great memories of all of us growing up together. Keeping the entire family in our prayers. Love y'all and call us if you need us.*
Denise Faulkner Rex & David Rex



Dee Dee Rex - October 24, 2016 at 03:18 PM

LT

“ *I have such fond memories of our fun times in high school. Robert was sweet, funny and giving. I was heartbroken to hear of his passing. May he rest peacefully in the arms of our Lord.*

Lesli Tutt - October 23, 2016 at 12:56 PM

DG

“ *So sorry for your loss Yates Family.*

Diana Guidry - October 22, 2016 at 08:54 AM

MH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you. It seems just like yesterday that our dads worked together at the Gulf States Utilities in Huntsville. Those were such good years.....remember the good times and they will help you thru the bad times....Mary Beth Kaltwasser Van Horn*

Mary Beth Kaltwasser Van Horn - October 22, 2016 at 08:20 AM

GP

“ *Hope you rest in peace Robert. Gay Perry*

Gay Perry - October 22, 2016 at 05:33 AM

DA

“ *DiAnn Donoho Alexander lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



DiAnn Donoho Alexander - October 21, 2016 at 09:11 PM

SN

“ *30 files added to the album New Album Name*



Sandy Newman - October 21, 2016 at 12:16 PM

DR

Thank you so much for posting these photos! I have happy wonderful memories growing up with the Yates'

Dee Dee Rex - October 24, 2016 at 03:11 PM

RW

“ *Randy and Jamie Wilder purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert Eugene Yates.*



Randy and Jamie Wilder - October 21, 2016 at 11:56 AM

EA

“ *Elaine Hyman Allen lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Elaine Hyman Allen - October 20, 2016 at 10:12 PM

EA

Our sympathy to our neighbors. You were a loving family that we are glad to call our friends. Our prayers are with you.

Elaine Hyman Allen - October 20, 2016 at 10:14 PM

GK

“ *Gayle Spears Kelly lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Gayle Spears Kelly - October 20, 2016 at 07:50 PM

DG

“ *Don Holder, Lucy & Gwendolyn purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert Eugene Yates.*



Don Holder, Lucy & Gwendolyn - October 20, 2016 at 06:45 PM

RD

“ Hank and I remember you all the way back to band days at HHS, Robert -- so much fun! You've always been such a sweet, kind, generous and handsome friend, and no matter how long time has passed, you've remained the same. We will miss you so very much. Love, Henry and Rachel Brown (Davis)

Rachel Davis - October 20, 2016 at 06:01 PM

MF

“ Debbie and Steve, I am so sorry for your loss. I always thought so much of Robert. He was kind, funny and just a great person. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Monetta Mooney Frenza

Monetta Frenza - October 20, 2016 at 02:59 PM

SE

“ Robert leaves behind many fond memories of carefree childhood days. Handsome and sweet, he was my first crush. Was so good catching up w/him these last few years. He had such creativity and talent. Sharp and witty, he would always bring a smile to your face. Deepest condolences to the Yates family.

Susan Eastman - October 20, 2016 at 02:16 PM

CW

“ Cathy Hayman Warren lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Cathy Hayman Warren - October 20, 2016 at 01:46 PM

CW

Debbie, Steve and Family, So sorry to hear of your loss. I have many good memories of growing up on Old Houston Rd. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Cathy Hayman Warren - October 20, 2016 at 01:49 PM

SF

“ *Susan Eastman & family~ purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Robert Eugene Yates.*



Susan Eastman & family~ - October 20, 2016 at 12:59 PM

LG

“ *Debbie, Steve and family, we are so sorry for the loss of your brother. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.*



Larry Martha Grisham - October 20, 2016 at 10:42 AM

DS

“ *Deborah Dodd Stearns lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Deborah Dodd Stearns - October 20, 2016 at 09:54 AM

DS

I remember Robert so well growing up. Debbie and Steve I am so very sorry for your loss. I will be praying for you and your family.

Deborah Dodd Stearns - October 20, 2016 at 09:58 AM

AR

“ I remember Bob mischievous smile, he helped paint outside of MCC church in Corpus Christi, Texas, helped around church in whatever was needed to be done. I will miss you and your mischievous smile

Anna Reyes-Clute - October 20, 2016 at 06:14 AM

JT

“ JOE TYLER lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



JOE TYLER - October 20, 2016 at 04:11 AM

JT

“ You were definitely one cool uncle!! Im blessed we became good friends... You will be missed...

Lil Joe

JOE TYLER - October 20, 2016 at 04:09 AM

EW

“ Esther Williams lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Esther Williams - October 20, 2016 at 03:50 AM

EW

“ *Esther Williams lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Esther Williams - October 20, 2016 at 03:48 AM

A7

“ *Annette Massie Hunnicutt HHS Class Of 76 lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Annette Massie Hunnicutt HHS Class of 76 - October 20, 2016 at 03:43 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Eugene Yates.*



October 19, 2016 at 11:08 PM

 Geffen Okin

“ *Geffen Okin lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Geffen Okin - October 19, 2016 at 10:13 PM

JC

“ Jean-Marie Clark sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Jean-Marie Clark - October 19, 2016 at 09:58 PM

BZ

We used to sneak out of HHS at lunchtime and eat at Mr.Hamburger! We were band friends. You played a mean saxophone. You were a good friend. You were kind and you protected me. We caught up again at our gatherings at the Stardust. We caught up again on Facebook. I'm sorry I couldn't see you when you needed your friends and family the most. I will hold you in my heart forever my friend. We will meet again and catch up one of these days. Peace be with your beloved family and peace be with you.

Becky Garcia Zuniga - October 20, 2016 at 08:27 PM

LH

“ Linda Hull lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Linda Hull - October 19, 2016 at 07:34 PM

LH

Bob I will always remember you and your smile, your talents and you beautiful voice. I love you and miss you.

Linda Hull - October 19, 2016 at 07:35 PM

SN

“ 11 files added to the album New Album Name



Sandy Newman - October 19, 2016 at 05:36 PM

CS

“ Charlotte Snyder lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Charlotte Snyder - October 19, 2016 at 01:40 PM

CS

Praying for Robert's family and friends during this very difficult time. Remembering him with much fondness.


Charlotte Snyder - October 19, 2016 at 01:41 PM

CG

“ Carolyn Wynn Gideon lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Carolyn Wynn Gideon - October 19, 2016 at 10:31 AM


Beverly
Pegoda

“ *Prayers for the family.*



Beverly Pegoda - October 19, 2016 at 07:17 AM

TP

“ *Terry Mccullar Perry lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Terry Mccullar Perry - October 18, 2016 at 10:14 PM

CB

“ *Carolyn Goodrow Baker lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Carolyn Goodrow Baker - October 18, 2016 at 09:12 PM

SS

“ *Sue Sprott lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates*



Sue Sprott - October 18, 2016 at 08:41 PM

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Sue Sprott - October 18, 2016 at 08:40 PM

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Sue Sprott - October 18, 2016 at 08:39 PM

DP

“ Donna Robinson Paschall lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Yates



Donna Robinson Paschall - October 18, 2016 at 08:29 PM