



Russell Wayne Rightmire

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Rusty was born on December 18, 1959 in Houston, Texas to Helen and Robert A. Rightmire, Sr. He graduated from St. Pius Catholic High School in 1978 where he excelled at football, basketball, and baseball. He was also voted “class favorite” by his peers. After graduation, he continued his baseball career at Blinn Junior College in Brenham, Texas. He then went on to play for Louisiana Tech where he graduated with his B.S. in Forestry in 1982. After college, Rusty was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays as a pitcher to play professional baseball. In 1990, he met his beloved wife, Beth, of 25 years. The two were married on March 26, 1994, in Conroe, Texas, and have called Montgomery County home ever since. They welcomed their beautiful daughter, Taylor, into the world on January 25, 1999. Rusty recently retired from Federal Express, where he worked as a courier for 27 years. He loved to hunt and fish with family and friends, and was an avid supporter of local sports teams. You could find him on the softball field regularly supporting and coaching Taylor and her fellow teammates. He was a man full of encouragement, positivity and was never seen without his contagious smile.

He is survived by his wife, Beth Rightmire; daughter, Taylor Rightmire; brother, David Callahan and wife, Jean; sister, Melody Rightmire and partner, Frank

Rotecki; sister-in-law, Holly VanHeel and husband, John; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, Robert A. Rightmire, Sr.; mother, Helen Lee Rightmire; brothers, Robert A. Rightmire, Jr. and Eddie Callahan; and sister-in-law, Rogene Gordon.

A Visitation with the family will be on Friday, September 27th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Montgomery, Texas. Funeral Services will be on Saturday, September 28th at 4:00 pm at Lone Star Cowboy Church in Montgomery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Rusty's honor to the Lone Star Cowboy Church in Montgomery, Texas.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery
10129 FM 1097 Rd W
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfm.com
<https://www.shmfm.com>

Celebration Of Life

SEP **28**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Lone Star Cowboy Church
21627 Eva St.,
Montgomery, TX 77356

Tribute Wall



“ *Russell Wayne Rightmire*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Beth & Taylor,*

I was so saddened to hear about Rusty's passing. He was such an amazing man. He always , always greeted me with a smile, a hug and was always a joy to be around. He loved to talk sports but more than that he always expressed so much love when talking about his wife and daughter. My heart is heavy for you both as I know how great your loss is...I have no doubt that he is with our Lord now and what a great day it will be when you see him again.

Love you both!!

Linda Irvine

Linda Irvine - September 29, 2019 at 12:24 AM



“ *Beth & Taylor, no words on the face of this earth can express the suddenness of your loss. Through my brother Johnny y'all have become a part of our family. I just wish we could've done more to help. It's not a matter of if you need something, but when you need either of us even if it's just to talk, please feel free to call me at anytime day or night!! I love y'all!! May the Good Lord above continue to bless you both!! Sincerely Ken Main 706-577-0729*

Ken Main - September 28, 2019 at 12:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.*



September 27, 2019 at 11:55 AM



“ *Mrs. Rightmire, Taylor and all of Rusty's Family, Please accept our sincere condolences for your loss. Rusty always had that great smile on his face EVERY time I saw him. Such a difficult thing. Words are never enough to describe emotions. Please know that we have Prayed for you and your Family, and Rusty. A very kind man to all. I imagine The Lord welcoming him with a huge hug and a great smile, and I can imagine Rusty's smile with an eternal happy heart.*

*Billy, Cayla, Christian and Lane
The Lands*

Billy Land - September 27, 2019 at 09:30 AM



“ *Vick, Roger and Louis. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.*



Vick, Roger and Louis. - September 27, 2019 at 12:23 AM

EG

“ Eugene Gonzalez purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



Eugene Gonzalez - September 26, 2019 at 10:29 PM

AT

“ Sweet Taylor, Mrs Rightmire, I a so very sorry for your loss. Mr Rusty was one in a million. I looked forward to watching you play in high school and even just as much, looked forward to seeing him, hugging his neck and listening to his words of wisdom to you young ladies on the field. All of our Love, Hugs and Prayers are with you. Love, the Traylor Family

Amanda Traylor - September 26, 2019 at 10:04 PM

ST

“ We have many wonderful memories shared with Rusty on the softball field. My daughter Katelyn was blessed to have been coached by Rusty throughout the years. Our hearts are broken for Beth and Taylor and we will continue to pray for strength during this unbearable time.

Sam & Cindy Takacs - September 26, 2019 at 09:54 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



September 26, 2019 at 09:50 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



September 26, 2019 at 09:41 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



September 26, 2019 at 09:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



September 26, 2019 at 04:04 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Wayne Rightmire.



September 25, 2019 at 11:15 PM

DS

“ Through Gods will and my parents sacrifices, my brother Steve and I were blessed to attend St. Pius High School.

At St. Pius we met so many amazing people and made so many close friends. Rusty “Red” Rightmire was one of those amazing people. Rusty was involved in baseball and basketball at Pius with my brother. During my Freshman year, the Seniors looked forward to “Fish Week”. Seniors hazed the Freshman for a week. Rusty was my big brother. He saved me from lots of embarrassing situations during fish week. Nice to have friends in high places! As time passed, our mutual love for sports and the outdoors grew and we became close friends. My family had a place on Trinity river and Rusty loved spending time with us at our river house. Fishing and hunting together at Trinity. He fell in love with the river and later purchased his own place. Our mutual interest placed us in goose spreads in El Campo, deer stands in Menard TX, our seats at Texans games, Aggie and Astros games. We loved to talk coaching, sports and catching up on family events. Rusty could light up a room! He never met a stranger. I am proud to be his friend now and forever. We will see each other again. Until then, I’m sure Rusty is sharing his stories with such enthusiasm in heaven and shining bright once more.

*Love you brother,
Dennis Seberger*

Dennis Seberger - September 25, 2019 at 10:52 PM