



# Ben Talley

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**A** memorial service for Ben Talley will be held at the Rader Funeral Home in Longview, Texas, April 9, 2016 at 4pm. Visitation with the family begins at 3pm.

After a long and valiant fight against colon cancer, Ben Talley, 46, of Hickory, devoted husband, father and son, passed away on April 4, 2016. He was born in Houston, Texas to James and Laura Talley on March 26, 1970. He was a graduate of Jasper High School and went on to the honors college at the University of Houston. He obtained his Masters degree from the University of Texas-Brownsville. After trying out a variety of professions, he landed in IT where he was able to continue his quest for knowledge and 'something new and different'. From organizing and developing IT at Longview High School to working at the Region 7 Service Center and Kilgore College, Ben found an avenue to spark his intellect. As the CIO at Lenoir Rhyne University, he was able to lead by example and earned the respect of many in the profession. He valued his co-workers not only as colleagues but as friends.

He loved the outdoors; especially hiking and climbing mountains. After his illness prohibited much of that, he began to enjoy marksmanship. His wit and humor was unmatched and will be missed.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 16 years, Cyndy, his daughter Grace, parents James and Laura Talley of Gladewater, Texas, his brother and sister-in-law, David and Rebecca Talley of The Woodlands, Texas, many other nieces and nephews, colleagues and dear friends and loving family members.


In lieu of flowers, donations should be made in Ben's name to either MD Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston, Texas, Duke University Cancer Center in Durham, NC or to the Hock Family Pavilion (Hospice Care) in Durham.



## Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, April 9, 2016

 4:00 PM CT

 **Rader Funeral Home of Longview**  
1617 Judson Road, Longview TX 75601





# Tribute Wall

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**Jessica Williford Merritt** posted:

I remember Ben and David. We all went to First Baptist Church in Jasper. I just found out that Ben has passed. My condolences to the family. Jessica Williford Merritt

September 27 at 11:40 AM



**Cynthia Young** posted:

I have been out of town and just learned of your loss. I ask God to give you strength as you and Grace search for a "new normal." I remember how much joy Ben brought into your life and how valiantly he battled his illness. I grieve with you. You will continue to be in my prayers. Cynthia Young

April 9 at 4:35 PM



**Annette Johnson** posted:

I am so sorry Cyndy and Grace. I remember Ben coming to school to have lunch with you when you were teaching at the Jr. Hi. My prayers for you both. Annette Johnson

April 9 at 7:22 AM



**Don And Rita Hubbard** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Talley family.



April 8 at 9:49 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Talley family.



April 8 at 7:40 AM



**Texarkana College Office Of Information Technology** sent a Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray to the Talley family.



April 7 at 11:22 AM



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**Mark Lasater** posted:

Cyndy, Jim and Laura, our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time. Our heart aches for Ben's homegoing. It was our privilege to know him and love him. Mark and Brenda Lasater

April 7 at 6:08 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Talley family.



April 6 at 4:47 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the Talley family.



April 6 at 4:35 PM



**Lorie And Jill** sent a Basket of Memories to the Talley family.



April 6 at 6:41 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ben by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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