



Clayton Ashford Smith

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Clayton A. Smith

Clayton Ashford Smith passed away May 9, 2017, at Good Shepherd Hospital after a brief illness.

Clayton was born February 21, 1969, in Longview. He was a 1987 graduate of Longview High School and a proud member of the Big Green Marching Machine Lobo Band. Clayton played the tuba in the band. His nephew is following his footsteps, playing the tuba also. Clayton attended Baylor University.

Clayton's passion was fishing and deer hunting. He grew up fishing on Lake Cherokee with his grandfather Curtis G. Howard. Clayton learned to shoot a gun at an early age and loved the family's deer lease in the Texas Hill Country founded by his great grandfather Fred Ashford. He loved the out of doors and all of nature. His favorite pastime was teaching his nephew Johnathan all the aspects of hunting and fishing.

Survivors include his mother, Fredna Howard Harris and John T. Harris of Longview; his sister, Shelley L. Couch; his niece, Katherine E. Couch; and his nephew Johnathan R. Couch all of Forney. Clayton's uncle and aunt are Raymond and Donna Howard of Dallas.

A memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church Chapel in Longview on Saturday, May 13 at 11am. The family will receive friends and loved ones beginning at 10am at the church.

Memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Medical Center foundation.



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CM

Courtney Mcaninch posted:

Clayton and I were such good friends at Foster Middle School and LHS. I lost track of him after high school, but i thought of him often when i was reliving a few high school memories. Clayton was always such a fun guy. I will treasure our memories. RIP, ClaytonLove,Courtney McAninch

May 16 at 6:48 AM

MM

Margaret Fanning Musslewhite posted:

Love and Prayers

May 13 at 10:47 AM

SS

Sandra George(Travishoward'sdaughter posted:

Clayton was a remarkable man, very family oriented, caring and giving of his talents. I had the privilege of knowing him several years. He blessed many lives, during his short stay here.

May 13 at 9:11 AM

YF

Yvonne Eckert And Jimmie Jill Pilcher And Families sent an A New Sunrise Spray to the Smith family.

May 12 at 12:38 PM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Smith family.

May 12 at 8:00 AM



LM

Linda And John Mcdermon sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Smith family.

May 12 at 4:34 AM





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RG

Richard Gustine posted:

He could take a mundane thing (like my cutting a hole in a cabinet) and somehow spin it into story gold. Time and time again he made me crack up. I have missed him for many years with the anticipation of getting to see him again. I'll miss you Clayton.

May 11 at 11:39 AM

BS

Becky Stewart posted:

Fredna and family, So sorry to hear of Clayton's passing! Prayers that God will comfort all of you at this difficult time. Becky and Larry Stewart

May 11 at 6:12 AM

JG

Jacqueline Richards Glover May 19 at 4:30 PM

Fredna, we are so, so sorry and shocked to hear this. Love, prays, and heartfelt hugs to you, my lifelong friend. Jackie Glover



Memories only last if you share them

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



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