Memorial Book



In Loving Memory of

Jonathan Dale Pierce

(September 15, 1967 - June 3, 2006)



THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY

This song "Let It Go" was John's favorite.

This memorial web site was created in loving memory of JONATHAN DALE PIERCE who was born in Chicago IL. September 15th 1967 and passed away on June 3rd 2006 at the age of 38. At the time of his death he was living in Jacksboro Tennessee. He had lived in Campbell County most of his life. John was taken from us and we weren't ready to let him go. We carry him with us everywhere we go.

Our love always,

John's wife and sons



UPDATED MARCH 25TH 2008

Travis Gaylor's trial has been postponed. His new attorney is Steve Sams. We don't have a trial date for Travis yet. Krystal Miranda Kirby's trial is now set for July 29th 2008. Her new attorney is Robert Scott.

I just spoke with the D.A.'s office again. Mike Hatmaker has been removed as Samuel Miracles' attorney too. Apparently there is another incident where one of the witnesses shared a cell with one of the accused. The witnesses are Travis McCoy and Michael Vanover who are former clients of said attorneys.

It will be over two years after John's death now before we will even have the chance to go to trial.

Everyday it's hard to believe that John won't be coming home. We have heard and seen stories about cruel, vicious and heartless people such as this, but we never would have thought that our lives would have been undone by the works of such evil hands. We love you John more and more daily and we will never stop. You are still very much alive here in our home and always will be.



Graphics created by: John's oldest son Jerrett (14 yrs old)



A SPECIAL NOTE FROM LINDA: As Jon Dillan was Easter egg hunting, I remembered the last Easter he had with John. Jon Dillan had just gotten out of the hospital. He still didn't feel very good. I've got video of John walking him around the yard to find eggs. He carried him mostly. It was really sweet. John wanted to make sure that he got to hunt eggs. That's the kind of dad he was. Genuine and good.

As we go through this March trial and the other trials to follow, please keep all of us in your prayers.

WHO WAS JOHN...



John was an amazing person. If you knew John or were a part of his life, you were truely blessed. He was quiet, unless you knew him. He was shy, unless you knew him. He was the kind of person that anyone would want to be. He was ambitious and a hard worker. When he was going to school for Tool and Die, there was a lot of times that he would work 12-14 hour days and go to school, all because he wanted a better life for him and his family. When he started working at Eagle Bend Mfg. (employed there for 17yrs.) he was hired in as a temporary. John was not the type of person to settle for something. He was strong and strong willed. He worked hard for his promotions and was still determined to do better. Determination is what got John promoted to the position he was in as Tooling Engineer. If you were John's friend, you were so lucky. There was nothing that he wouldn't do for his friends. But most important to John was his family. He loved his parents so much. He always valued their approval and opinion of decisions he made in his life. They were, and still are very proud of him. He was the kind of son every parent would want and be proud of. He was strong on family traditions. Sundays were for taking the kids to see his mom and dad. Spare time was spent with me and our sons. I was lucky, blessed, and fortunate to have John in my life. And I am sure that anyone who knew him feels the same way. We love you and miss you so much.



Please be advised that I have moved. I received a call from God, the Chief Architect, and He informed me that my new home was complete. You all know that I have been working on my building and sending up my timber. I knew that my mansion needed some finishing touches and the Chief Carpenter, Jesus Christ, had to inspect it and give the final approval. On the morning of June 3, 2006, He let me know that my mansion was complete and that I could move in. He told me to go ahead and change my address!

Well, my new home is finished and what a sight to behold!!! It is located on an exclusive estate behind a beautiful Pearly Gate. It's just over the other side of the serene celestial shore. Of course, you know the streets are paved with Gold and every day is Sabbath, just like you've been told. I can walk and talk with the Master with not a worry or a care.

There is peace here, joy, happiness, no pain or heartache, only sweet serenity. I can dine at the Master's bountiful table and sing with the Heavenly Choir. And best of all, my Heavenly Father is here in all of His Glory! And oh yes, I have my own designer here who has fitted me with my very own white robe. I could go on and on about my new home, but instead, I am going to pray that you get to move here yourself someday...Before I go though, let me give you my new address:

Jonathan D. Pierce

38 Glorious Years Lane

Godstown, Heaven 77777

P.S. I don't have a telephone, pager, email, organizer or cell phone, but you can always call on God. If you don't know His number, read your Bible, it's listed on every page.

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Sending you a hug!

We ask God to hug you a little bit tighter for all you had been through. We are searching every day within ourselves for answers. Hopefully someday soon we will know what happened. But no one can ever explain

why.

We love you,

Your wife and sons



SEPTEMBER 15TH WAS YOUR 40TH BIRTHDAY. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WE LOVE YOU.

My heart still aches for Linda and your boys and your momma and daddy and all your family members. They miss you so much. I really didn't know you very well, but Linda is like a sister to me. All of Johnny's sisters are. They have welcomed me in as one of their own and I love them all so much. I wasn't around you much, although you managed to get into some of my family videos. You were always smiling and quiet around me, a really nice person in my presence.

I was in church one Sunday when Gary Ward requested prayer for you. He knew you needed to be saved and said that he was going to go hunting or something with you. He wanted to be a light to you for Jesus. He wanted us to pray for your salvation. Another day, Linda came to my house to pick up Nikki and she gave me all the details about when you were saved. She was so excited and happy when she was telling me about it, I hope I get this right. She said that you were in the floor crying and she didn't know what was wrong, but you were turning your life and heart over to Jesus and when you got up, you told her that Jesus had saved you. She told me the first thing you did was call your mom and dad. I know this was the best news they could have ever heard from you. And this was the most important decision you could have ever made. God knows the end of our life here on this earth. Our days are numbered like the hairs on our head and none of us know our day or hour.

Since your hour came so unexpectedly that night, I have cried many a tear, but I find comfort in the story of Stephen in Acts. Jesus is sitting at the right hand of the Father, but at the moment they were about to stone Stephen, he looked up. He said that he could see Jesus and Jesus was standing at the right hand of the Father. I believe that Jesus stood up to receive Stephen and Stephen never knew the pain of even one of those stones. I believe that Jesus stood up to receive you too, and that you never felt any pain. Today, you and Stephen are together and someday all of us who have been born again will join you in Heaven. And those left behind hurt so bad. I pray for them. May the Lord comfort your loved ones, my friends and family and brothers and sisters in Christ. May they all feel His arms wrapped around them.

Love,

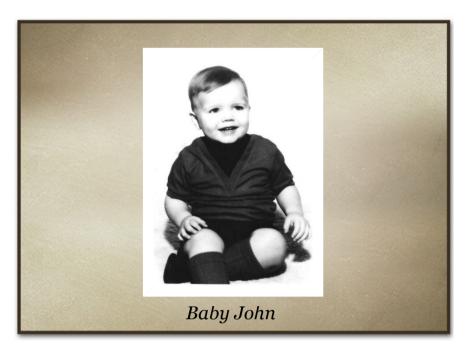
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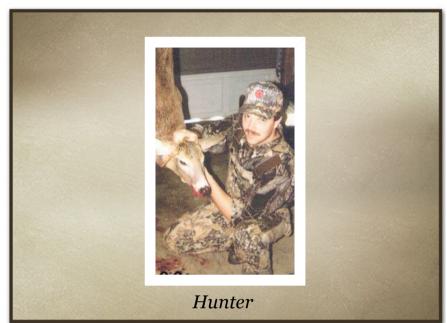
Acts 7:55

But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into Heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.

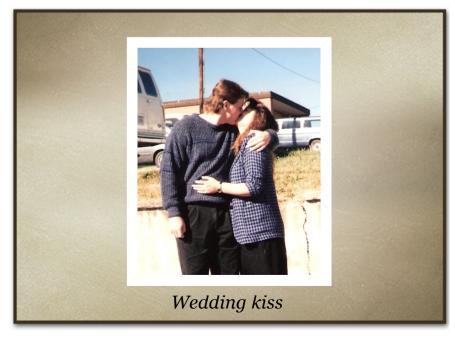
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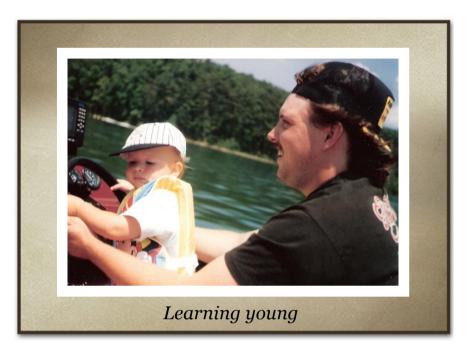
so sweet, so unforgettable...

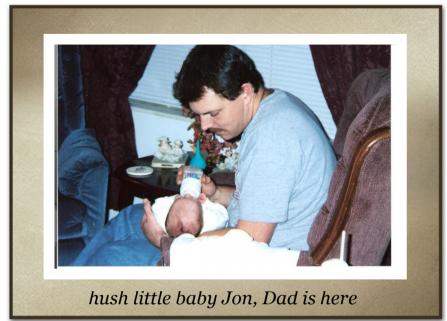


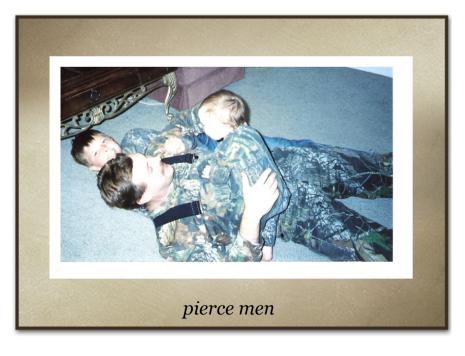


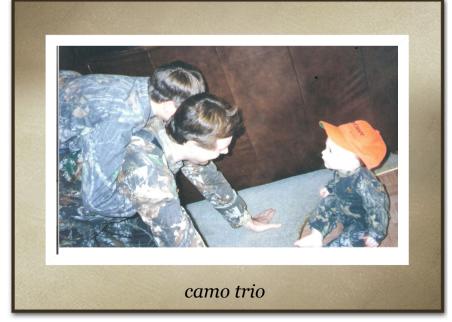




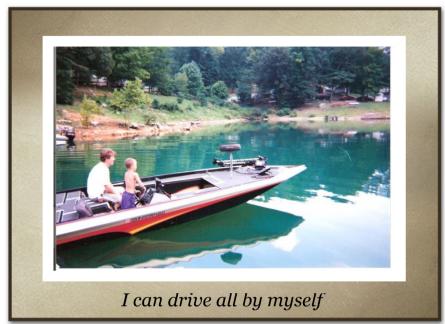


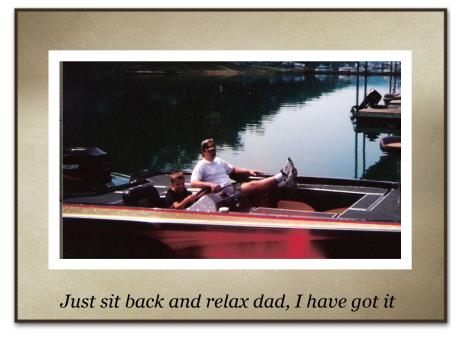


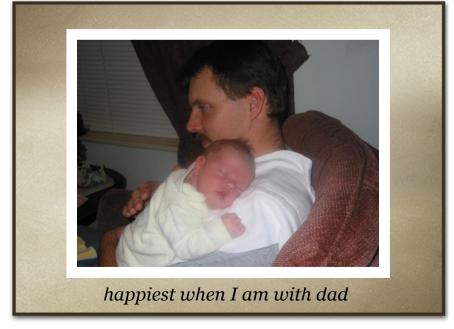


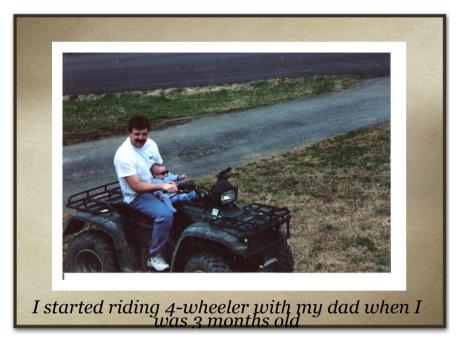


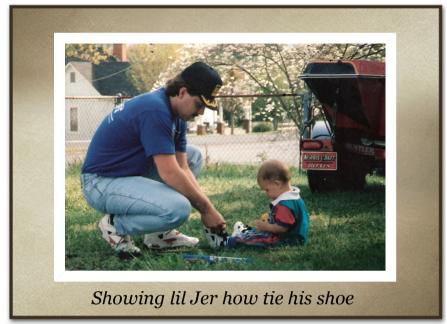


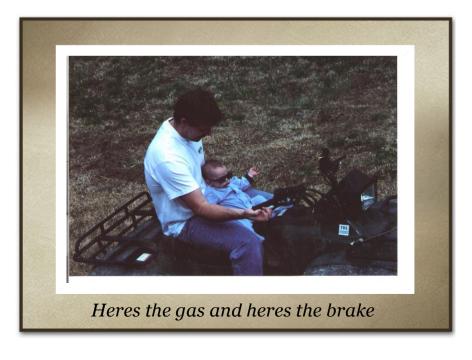






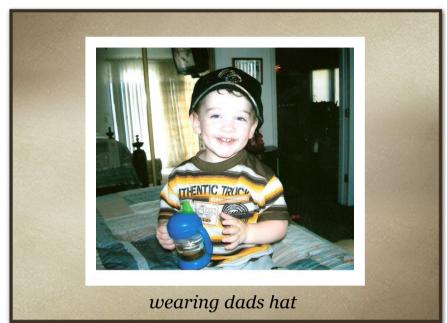




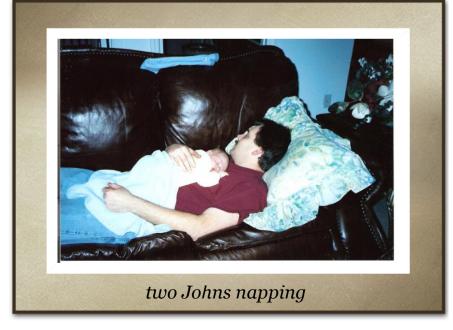




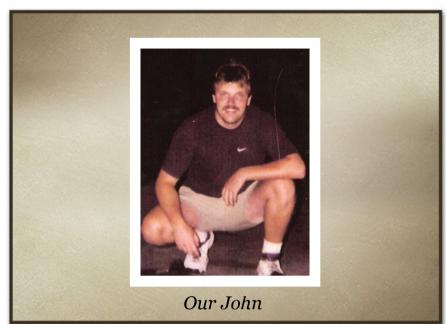


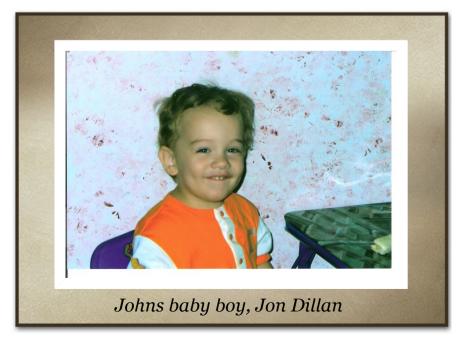








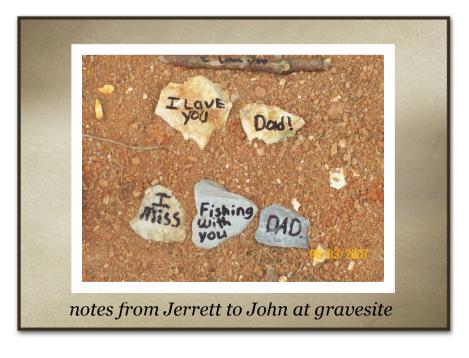


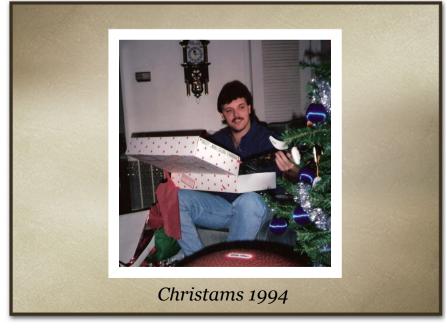


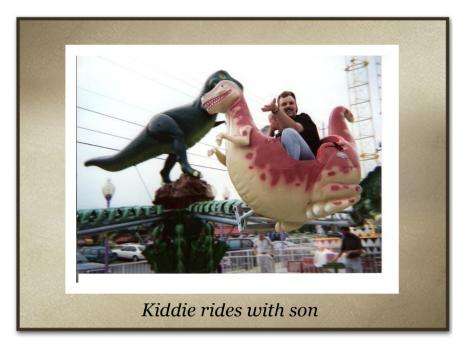


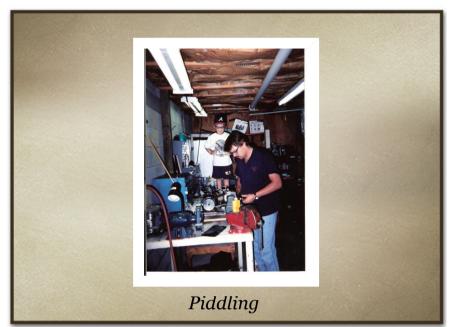




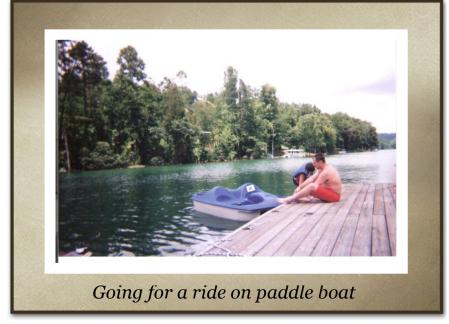




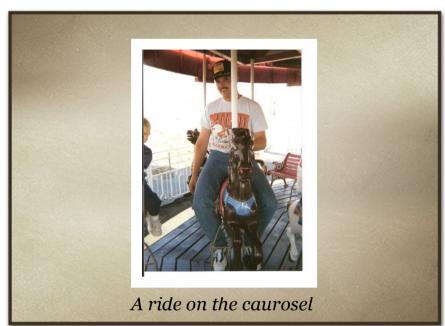


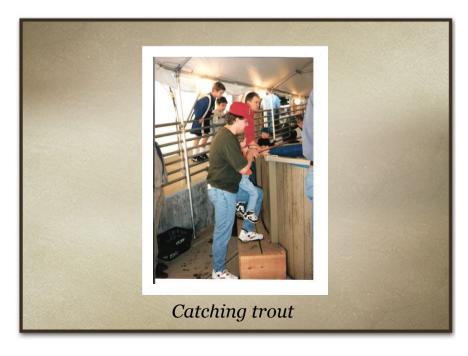


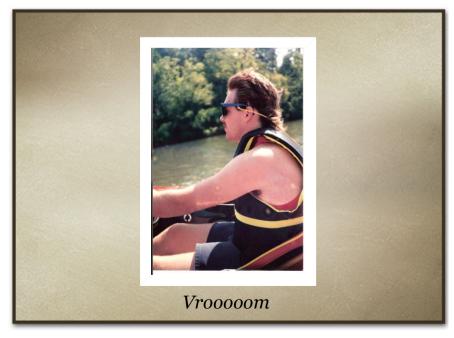




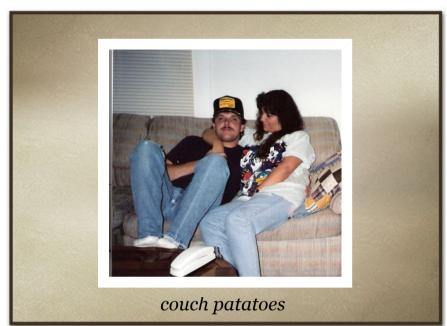


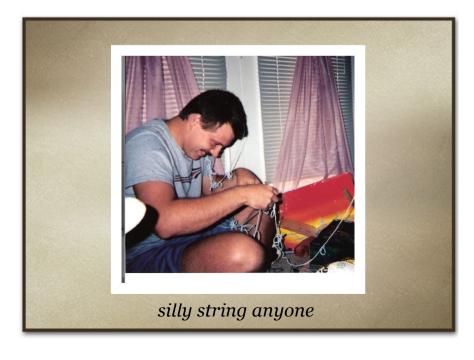


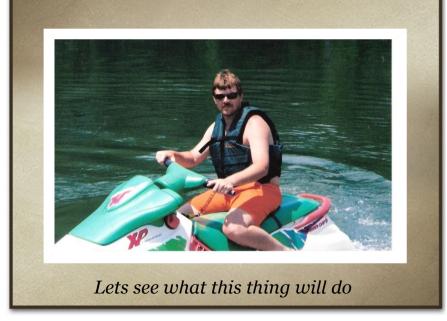


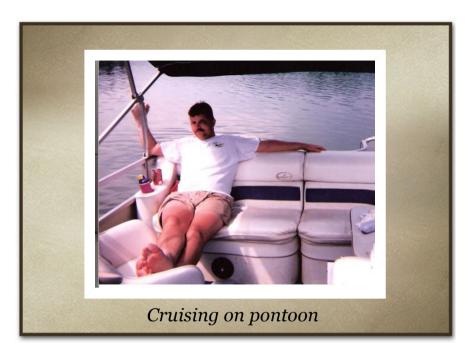


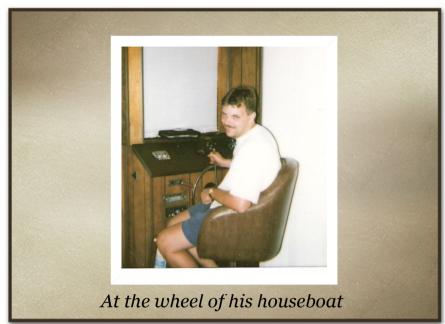


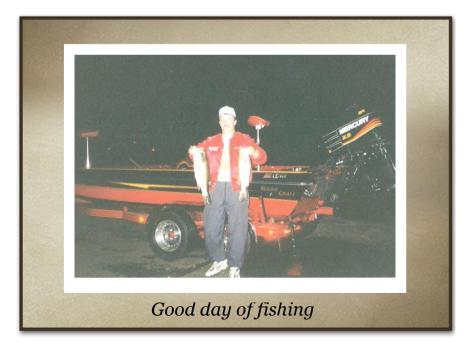


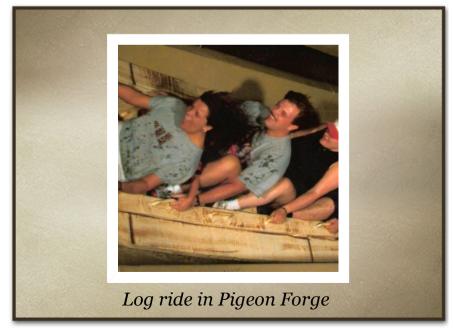


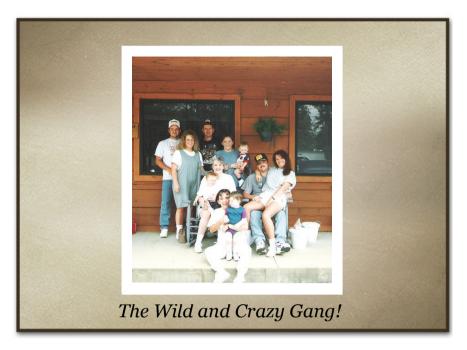


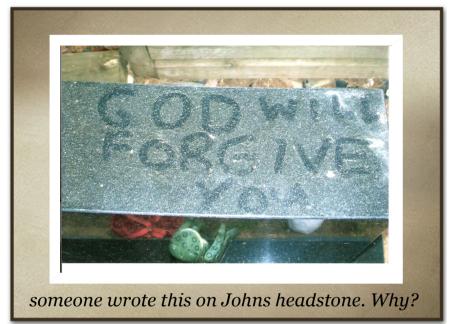








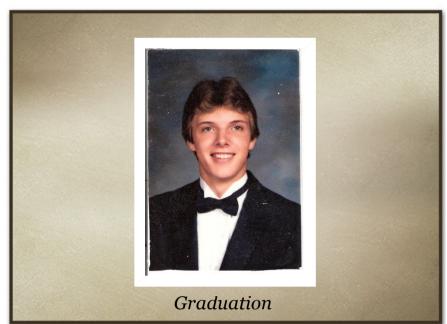


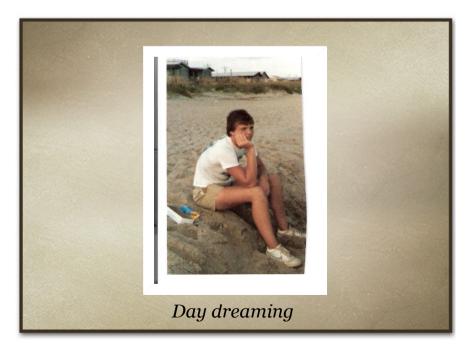


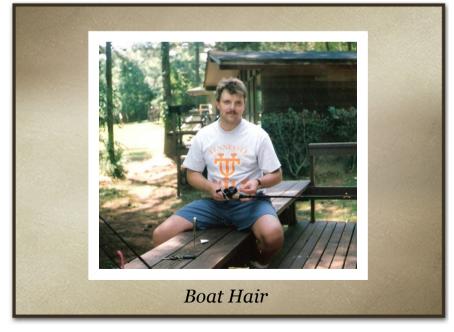


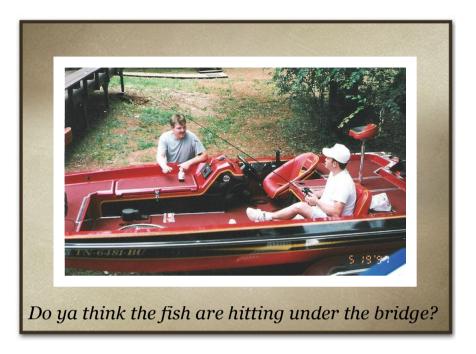




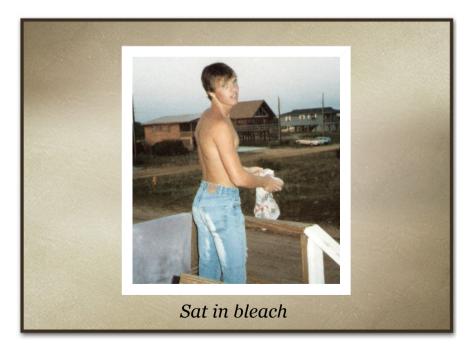


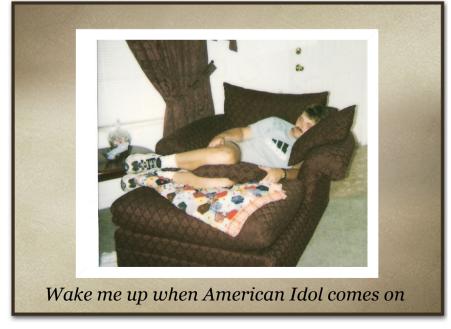


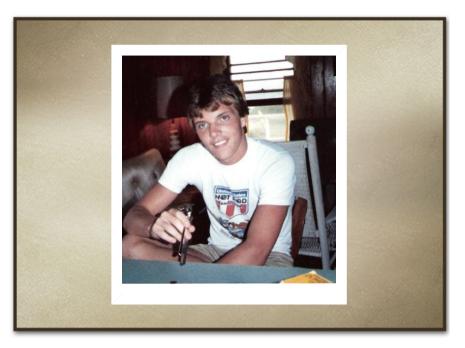


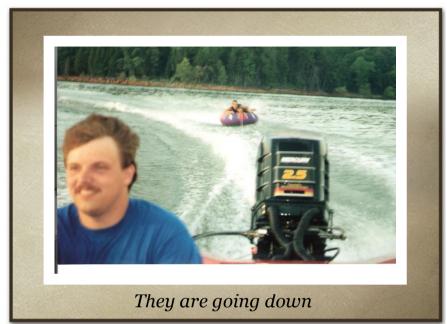


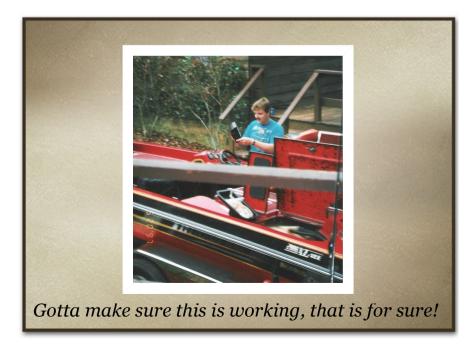


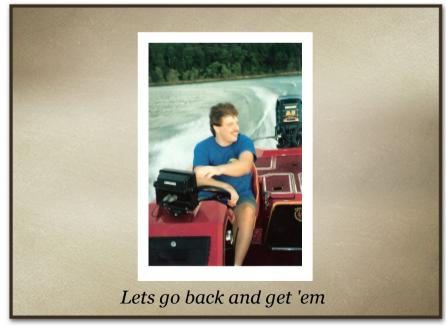




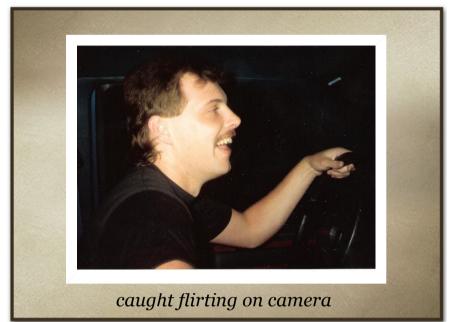


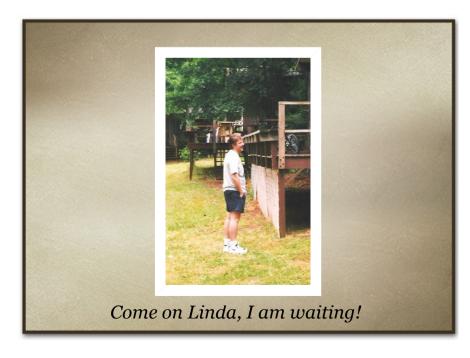


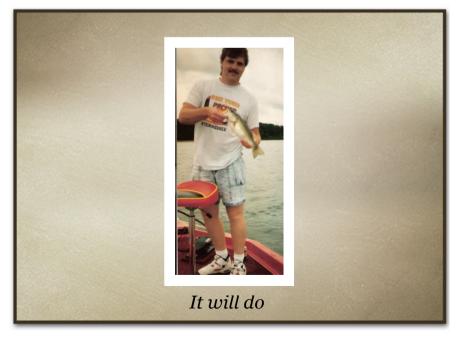






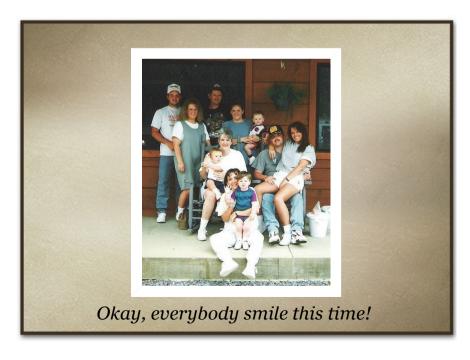




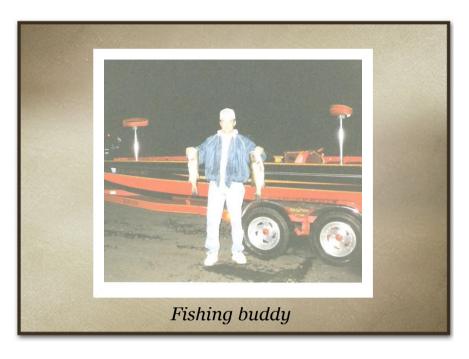


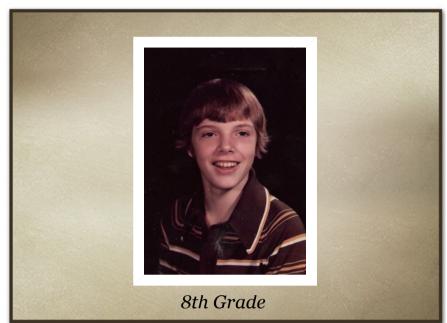


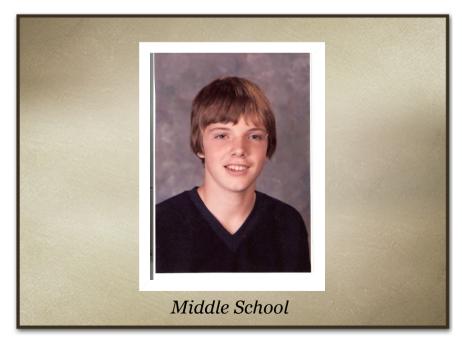






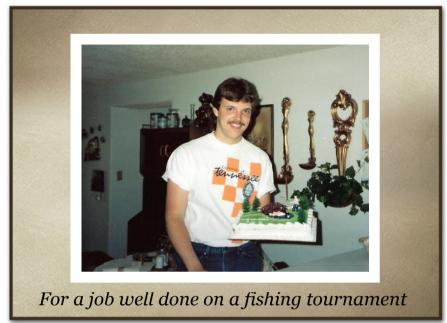


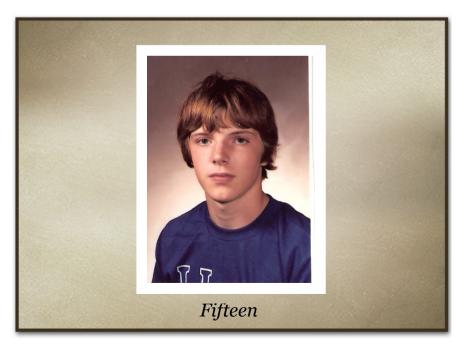


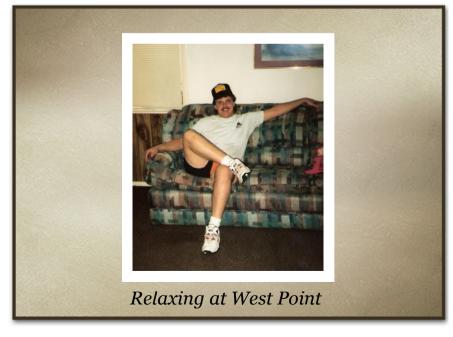






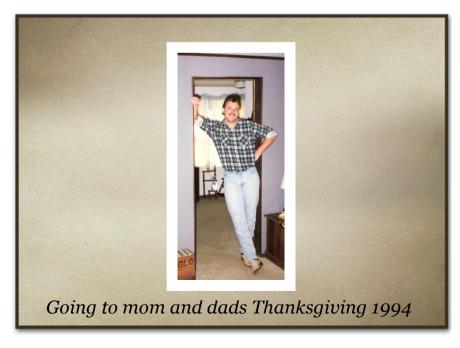


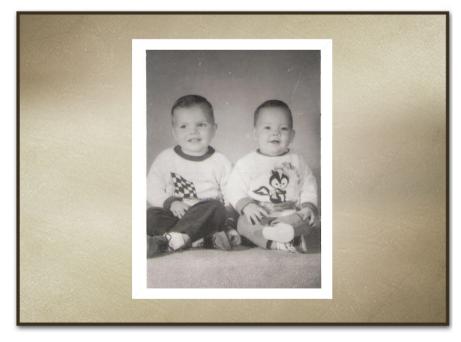




























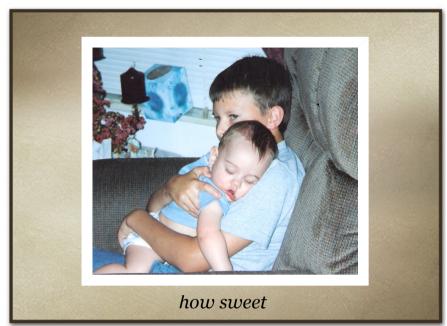










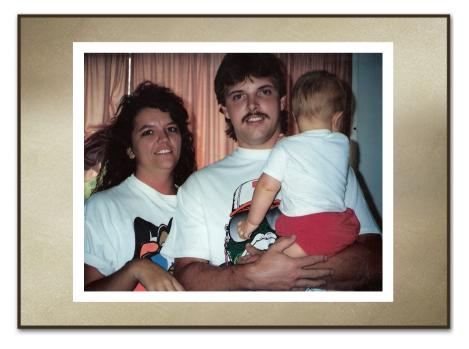






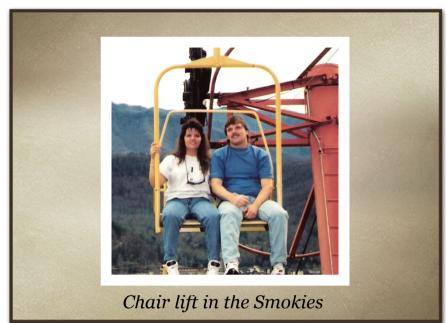


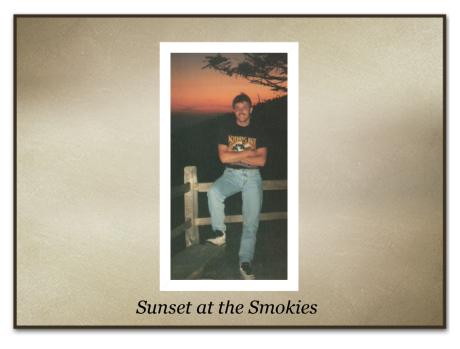




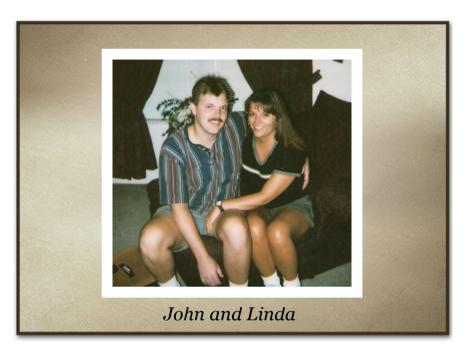


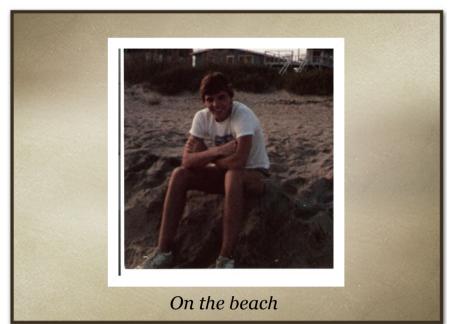


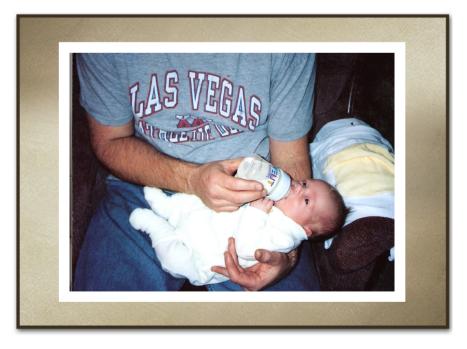


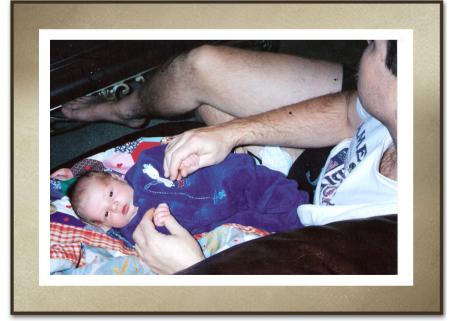










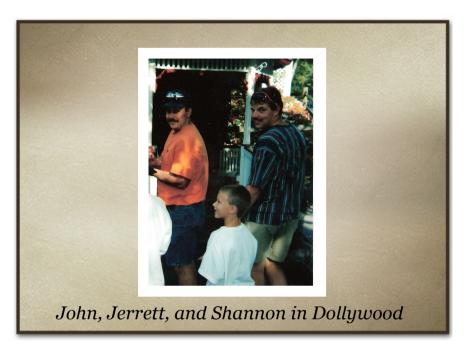


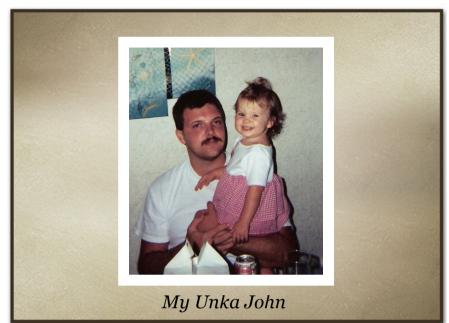


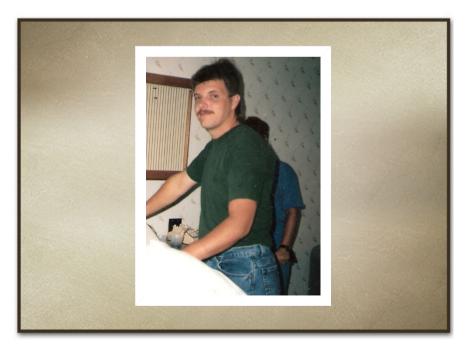


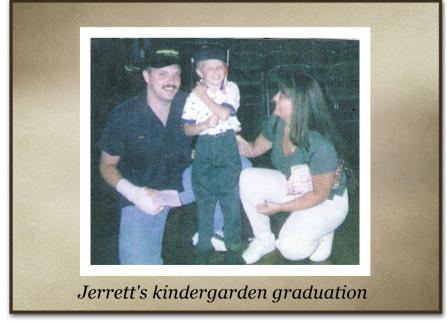


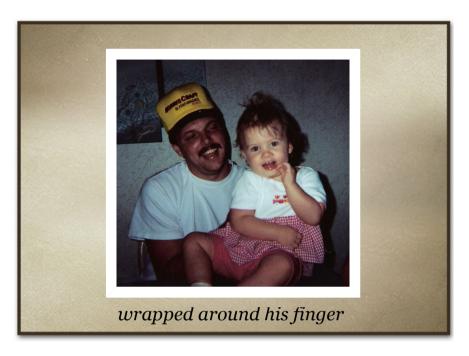


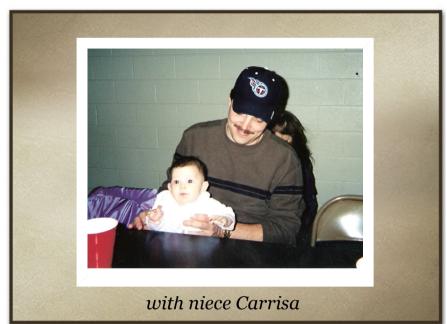




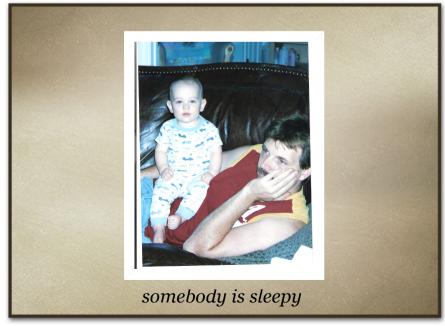














Memorial Candles

our words, your light...

03/07/2008

Darrin

Hey man wanted u to no i miss u lots an love u wish u was stil here cnt wait to see u again love ya 02/20/2008

Cheryl Hatmaker

It's a warm, beautiful day here in Alabama. Makes me think of Heaven and all those who are there, Jesus,you,Dennis, Dorothy etc 02/14/2008

Linda

Happy Valentine's Day. I love you 02/10/2008

Friend (co-worker)

Always thinking of you and your family.

01/25/2008

Anita (Nino)

Just had you in my thoughts, and wanted to say I love and miss you very much. God Bless 01/03/2008

Barb (niece)

Thinking of you today. Know that we all are praying for your family. We love you and miss you.

01/03/2008

Cheryl Hatmaker

Hoping the new year brings joy and great peace to all of us. It won't be long before we see you again 01/01/2008

Linda

I hope you caught all the prayers me and Jon Dillan sent up to you last night. We miss you so much.

12/25/2007

Linda

Merry Christmas baby. Wishing you were here. 12/17/2007

Linda

I dreamed about you last night.I heard your voice as though you were really talking to me.It was so comforting.I miss you so much. 10/12/2007

Jerrett (son)

I miss fishing with you.
Everyone tells me how much
I am like you. It makes me
proud. No one could ever
replace you. I luv u dad.

10/12/2007

Jon Dillan (son)

I wish I couldve spent more time with you.Mom tells me how fun you were and the patience you had with me.Ill always luv u. 09/15/2007

Linda

Today we remember you for your 40th birthday. Any party we couldve given you here cant compare to the one you have every day there.

09/15/2007

Tammy~Mom Of Angelica Hatchell

Happy Heavenly Birthday
Jonathan. I am holding your
memory in my heart and
your family in my thoughts
and prayers.

09/12/2007

Mark B.

Didn't really know you that well. From what I hear it was my lose. Your wife and family are in my prayers.

09/11/2007

Steven R.

You were one of the best people I ever came in contact with. Love you man

09/10/2007

Linda

This month would be ur 40th birthday.U are still very much alive here in our home.We talk about you daily.Miss u so much.Ling Ling

09/07/2007

Niki

Hey I love you and miss you.

09/07/2007

Robin Stanford

"Love and Prayers to the family from the Stanford family in Clinton Tn" 09/06/2007

Leinna Slone

"My love and prayers are with Linda and family, so thankful to have known John, miss you very much."

09/06/2007

David Hatmaker

" I know God heard John's prayers."

09/05/2007

Violet

"miss you. miss teaching your wife how to cook things I know you will love. see you in Heaven soon." 09/05/2007

Brenda (Linda's sister)

I luv u and miss u. We have a promise of meeting again.
I'm taking care of Linda the best I can.

08/27/2007

Linda

You have a relative that is praying a"torment prayer"on me.I know that where you are, OUR GOD does not hear such a prayer.

08/14/2007

Cheryl Hatmaker

My prayers never cease for your family, John. For they need the strength and peace that only Jesus gives. See you and Jesus soon. 08/14/2007

Barbara Collier

Thinking of you today. Never forgotten and always loved.

08/13/2007

Tonya (niece-n-law)

We sure miss you here! But what an awesome reunion it will be on that day when we lay this body to rest & come home! Miss ya! 08/13/2007

Hyle-Britches

I had to get braces! Yep you would get a good laugh! I love you and miss you so much! Can't wait to see you again!

08/05/2007

Wife

The time is here.The GUILTY r being brought to justice.We will never give up baby.We are using the tool you taught us...patience.

07/28/2007

Wife

You would be so proud of your boys. Jerrett spends a lot of time with us, every minute he can. Jon Dillan is Heaven sent. Luv you 07/21/2007

Niki (niece)

I miss you so much! your baby boy is getting so big hes so adorable, and jarrett reminds me of you more each day.i love and miss u

06/17/2007

JoAnn (Niece)

John, Happy Fathers Day. I will be thinking of your sons who will miss their dad again this year on this special day.

06/12/2007

annette

"GOD BLESS" this family and fill their hearts with knowing that one day they will be together again..i love u jon,linda! 06/11/2007

JoAnn

John, You are greatly missed down here and we are really looking forward to seeing you again. I know it will not be long. 06/10/2007

Brenda (sister-in-law)

I love you and miss you very much. I'm trying my best to look after Linda & the boys. 06/01/2007

Tina

I went to CCHS w/John. He was a really nice guy. I pray for your family often. Your family will be complete again. Hold to that!

04/25/2007

Keith Albright

It was a pleasure knowing you.It was easy to see the love you and Linda had for each other.Love and prayers to the Pierce family.

04/22/2007

Rose (Jason's Wife)

I honestly feel your pain. My prayers are going up for you & your children. May God give us all a little Peace in our hearts!! 04/20/2007

Linda

I miss you more than words can say. I love you more.

04/19/2007

Luke 3:14

And he said unto them, do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be content with your wages.

04/19/2007

Betty Lou (Nanny)

That's what your baby calls me now. He is such a joy! All of us miss you so much. Can't wait to see you hold your sons. 04/18/2007

Sher Byrd

Words cannot express the feelings of sympathy that emerge as I look upon this memorial. You're in my prayers.

04/03/2007

Rose (Jason Murray's wife)

Linda, I feel your pain. My husband moved to Heaven 1/31/07. Sending up big prayers for your family. God Bless!! 03/23/2007

Leinna Slone

You will Always and forever be in our hearts, you will never be forgotten.

03/17/2007

Barbara Collier

You could light up a room with your smile. You will be missed, but never forgotten. We love you, John. 03/04/2007

Anita Cochran (sister-inlaw)

We all love and miss you very much. But, we will see you again, dear Brother.

03/03/2007

Jordan (passer-by)

I am so sorry for your loss.
Our prayers are with your family. May God always walk with the two children who lost their father.

02/20/2007

Rhonda

You were a great person, friend and co-worker. I am glad the good Lord placed you and Linda in my life. 02/16/2007

Jim Massengill -Brotherin-Law

I miss your big smile and the kindness you showed to others. Thanks for the memories of 4-wheeling. 02/16/2007

Hyle-Britches

Thanks for asking me to go fishing with you! I miss you very much! See ya soon! I Love you! Hyle 02/15/2007

Todd & Beverly

John, It was truly a blessing to have you in our family.
Looking forward to our family reunion in Heaven.
Titus 2:13

02/15/2007

Tonya Ward

Sure hope you had a lovely Valentine 's Day w/ Jesus! Love ya & miss ya bunches! See ya soon!

02/15/2007

Wease

You were always there for me. Thank you, I Love and miss you. 02/14/2007

Cheryl Hall

You were one of the best people I knew. I will never forget you. 02/12/2007

Tabitha Romero

Sorry for your loss.Our prayers are with you and your family.

02/10/2007

Tonya Ward-Niece-in-Law

You may be gone physically, but you live 4-ever in my heart! Love & Miss ya! Can't wait to see ya again!

02/09/2007

Linda Pierce (wife)

You will never be replaced or forgotten. I love you so much.

Condolences

from the deepest of our hearts...

John,

It's been over a year and a half since you left, but the pain is still there. When I go to spend the night with Linda, it's not the same. I know she has moved, but you are still there. Your pictures, your mementos, mounted fish, is all there. Your sons will never forget their daddy. Jon Dillan is only 3 years old, but he points at your picture and says, "Daddy's gone home." He knows who daddy is, and he knows where he is. He is so precious. I know you are looking down on them. I know you have to be proud of Linda, and the great job she is doing with the boys. We are all still taking care of Linda and helping her thru as much as we can. But no matter what we all do for her, it can never replace the love you two shared. You, Linda, and the 2 boys will always be in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless you and may God Bless Linda and your 2 sons. Give Mom a hug and Kiss for me, and I will meet you both at Heaven's Gate some day.

Love, Anita

niki

niece

January 23, 2008

John,

I go and visit linda quite often now. She seems to be holding up pretty strong but it makes me so sad to see her and you not be there too. You were always so nice to me even when I broke some of your stuff. You would be so proud of Jon Dillan and Jerrett they are good kids! I miss you so muich but I will see you again one day! I love you!

Niki

I remember when you came home and I told you about the baby. You were so pleased. You had no doubt about being a dad again. You loved Jon Dillan before he was ever born. Even though you had a very short time with Jerrett and Jon Dillan, I will do all I can to keep your memory alive for them. You will always be their dad. Even in your absence, you are still the best dad and husband anyone could ever hope for. We miss you so much.

Johnny Byrge (brotherin-law)

Miss Ya Bubba

September 7, 2007

Yo Bubba, Whassup,

I sure have missed yor friendship. You were one of the best friends I ever had. If I ever needed andythiing, you were just a phone call away, and vise-versa. You were a hard worker, good man, good husband, good father and a good brother-in-law. Jon Dillan was so used to YOU taking him for rided on the four wheeler that a few days after the funeral, I took him for a ride, he was laughing and having a good time, then he turned and looked up at me, he had a strange look on his face. He was expecting it to be you. I could tell that he was very disappointed that it was not you. It broke my heart. I know that Jon Dillan and Jerrett both miss you very much. It tears me up knowing that they have to grow up without their dad. I thank God that they have arrested three people involved in your death, and pray that if anyone else is involved, they will get them too. ONLY GOD KNOWS WHAT REALLY HAPPENED THAT NIGHT. The truth WILL come out. You were like a BROTHER to me, and I miss you and love you very much, and I WILL SEE YOU IN HEAVEN SOMEDAY.

Bubba

Hey uncle John, I miss you so much, its so different going to your house and your not sitting there on the couch. I walk into the house and I still wanna look for you and say hi. We all miss you so much but one day we will see you again. I like to think you are one of my guardian angels now! Love and Miss you. Niki

Leinna Slone (Friend)

So glad to have known him

September 6, 2007

I just wanted to say, that I think of John and Linda very often, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I want you to know I love you guys very much. John was a beautiful sweet spirit, he was the kind of man that would help anyone with anything any time, and be glad to help, he is missed greatly by all those that truly knew him. God bless and know I am here for you.

Love you all,

Linda

Wife

July 22, 2007

Hey baby,

Leinna

I was unpacking some things and found some pictures of you. Some was by yourself, some with me and the boys. I miss you so much. I would give anything for a hug. You haven't had a lot of visitors lately, but I will always be here. I will never leave you. I love you so much. We said "until death do us part", and I will love you, miss you and carry your memories with me every where I go until I take my last breathe.

All my love

Linda

John,

You are truly missed by your wife, boys, and the rest of the family. We know that we will see you again, soon. But sometimes it is so hard to look at Linda and the boys and not just loose it. Just wondering how they are surviving, but then you look around and you are still there. Your pictures, your things are still there and you are there in your boys, always will be, in our hearts, thoughts and prayers. I love you John, and miss seeing your beautiful smile.

Linda wife May 7, 2007

John,

As I listen to this song, I have come to realize why this was your favorite song. We have got to let go and let God take control. He is the only one that can fix this. I love you so much that its hard to deal with the pain sometimes. But I find comfort in knowing that one day we will be together again. God love your heart baby. What a wonderful person you were. You had so much love. All anyone would have to do is listen to this song to know how much love you had in you, because out of all the songs you could pick, you picked this song to be your favorite. I love you baby. I can still see you singing along with this song in the pick-up as I had seen you do so many times before. Words can't describe the hole that is left in me. I have faith that God will fill that hole. The no's are hard to accept. No hugs, no laughter, no blue eyes, no voice, no hands. I miss you so much. I thought we would grow old together, but you won't age another day. I am happy for you baby because you are in a place now that no one could ever describe the beauty, but I need you so much right here. Love seems like such an insignificant word to describe how I feel about you, because it is so much more than that. So much more. Save a place for me and the boys.

Anita Linda's sister May 2, 2007

Hey John,

Just wanted to let you know that you are loved and missed very much. The pain gets a little easier each day. But everytime I look at Jon Dillan the pain is re-newed. It breaks my heart to see what Linda and the two boys are going thru. But it really hurts to the core of my body to see how people you loved and trusted have turned their backs on your small family. But don't worry John, Linda has a big family, and we are all doing our part to look out for her and your two boys. I pray that God will erase the jealousy and hatred that lives in these people's hearts. Until we meet again at Heaven's Gate.

Love,

Anita



Dad,

I missed you on Easter. Last year, even though I had just got out of the hospital, you carried me around the yard to find eggs. My mom will never let me forget these things about you that I won't be able to remember on my own. No matter what happens dad, I will always be J.D.P. and nothing or nobody will ever change that. I love you so much. I am sleeping with mom now. I didn't want to but she insisted. Don't worry about her dad, I'm taking care of her. When I think that she can't take no more, I drop my toys and go give her a big hug or do something to make her laugh. Mom will do all she can to keep your memory alive for me and I will do all I can to see her through this.

I miss you more than I know,

Jon Dillan



I thought of you:

I thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new.
I thought about you yesterday, and the day before that, too.
I think of you in silence, I often say your name,
But all I have is memories and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is my keepsake, with which I'll never part.

God has you in his keeping, I have you in my heart.

I shed tears for what might of been, a million times I cried.

If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died.

In life I loved you dearly, in death I love you still,
In my heart you hold a place no one could ever fill.
It broke my heart to lose you,but you didn't go alone,
For part of me went with you,the day God took you home.

Wease

Linda's sister

February 15, 2007

John,

You were one of a kind. You were so good to me-even when I drank your last glass of milk. Things are not the same without you. Thank You for all of the memories, until we meet again...

Friends from Anderson Co.

Friends

February 14, 2007

May you watch over your family as much now as you did when you were here with them for we know that you are with Jesus now. Even though you are going to be missed by so many you will still be with them for ever.

Memories

all the gray you turned into colors...

annette smith

I'll never 4/get when linda told me u had got saved,she was so excited and happy i thought she was going to start shouting lol..the first time i met u was at ur house downstairs u had the warmest smile and i thought then what a great family u guys were so perfect for one another..jon u would be so proud of linda she is the best mother ever u can see the love she has for ur boys in her eyes,she is giving them the love and comfort they need,i pray when GOD takes us home he lets me see the reuniting of u and ur family what a wonderful day that will be!!!until then watch over linda and the boys and keep them safe.....GOD BLESS..annette

Linda Pierce (wife)



I remember one night when we were playing Monopoly with Jerrett. He had been bragging on how good he was at the game and that nobody could beat him (he was only nine at the time). You were ribbing each other on who was the best and who was going to beat who. I was the banker. I was the first to go out and you were getting really low on money. I nudged you with my foot under the table and you looked at me with those big beautiful eyes and you started laughing because you knew what

I was going to do. Jerrett was wanting to know what was so funny and you told him he needed to pay attention to the game or he might lose. The little guy really was good, because I don't know how many thousands I gave you under the table and you still almost lost. I guess what I remember the most about that night is that every time I handed you money, you held on to my hand for just a split second and your laughter. You laughed so hard that night. Jerrett never knew about us cheating that night until he read this. He laughed and said he knew he could whoop your butt. I miss you so much. I am thankful I have so

many good memories of you. I mean really good memories that make you laugh out loud. All my love, Linda

Life Story

every hour, every thought, every smile...

September 15, 1967

Born in United States Chicago on September 15, 1967.

June 3, 2006

Passed away on **June 3, 2006** at the age of **38**.

February 9, 2007

John was born in Chicago IL. in 1967. He lived different places throughout the United States while growing up. Out of all the places he had seen, he said there was nothing like the Tennessee mountains, so this is where he stayed. He graduated from Campbell County High School in 1985. His wife and two sons still reside in Campbell County.

In 1987, John married his first wife. After almost seven years of marriage they divorced. John received the most precious gift of his life from this marriage, his first son. He was estatic. You would have thought he was the first dad ever. Everything he did, his son was right under his elbow watching every move his dad made. He was wonderful with children. So patient. This son was 12 years old when his dad was so ruthlessly taken away.

John went to work at Eagle Bend Mfg. in 1989. During the time he was working there, he also went to school and studied Tool & Die. Through the years as he worked at Eagle Bend, he continued to learn everything possible about the place where he worked and their purpose for being there. He was promoted many times and done each job very well. Many of John's co-workers were very close friends who he talked about often. Tooling Engineer was the last job title he held there. John had been at Eagle Bend seventeen years when he was so ruthlessly taken away.

John married his wife Linda in 1994. He was the kind of man that would come home from work, eat supper with family, and then go piddle with something. He was always doing something, working on something, or trying something new. Any spare moment he could come up with, he was

hunting, fishing, or four-wheeling with family and friends. John and his wife had twelve wonderful years together before he was so ruthlessly taken away.

Sundays were set aside for going out to eat and then taking the kids to see mamaw and papaw. His parents had 38 glorious years with John before he was so ruthlessly taken away.

In 2004, he received another precious gift. His second son. And as with the first, he done everything with that baby, from four wheeling, mowing the yard, or wrestling in the floor. He was a wonderful dad. John's youngest son had eighteen months with his dad before he was so ruthlessly taken away.

Everyone I know has been afffected by John's absence. His presence was so strong. He can never be replaced nor will he ever be forgotten. They took you from us and that was not their decision to make, but there is one thing that they can't take away and that is our love for you. Our love for you is eternal.

February 9, 2007

May 24, 2007



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