



## James Batson

May 28, 1957 - September 8, 2008

James Luther Batson, 51, of Corsicana, passed away September 8, 2008. He was born May 28, 1957 in Refugio Texas to Luther D. and Barbara Morriss Batson. He work for Corsicana Fire Department for 24 years and was a Captain. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was an avid deer hunter, loved coaching boys soccer, riding horses and motorcycles. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and was close to his Fire Fighter friends. He was a certified master machinist and worked for Electrico (Noblett) for 24 years. He is survived by wife Tommie Batson of Corsicana, sons Justin D. Batson of Lubbock, Mark Hayden Batson of Huntsville, mother Barbara Batson of Corsicana, grandmother Valero Floyd of Corsicana, sisters Debbie Parten of Corsicana, Lynda Sanches of Corsicana, brother Mark Batson of Corsicana, mother in law Gertrude Greer of Corsicana, sisters in law and brothers in law Wanda and Don Henthorn of Purdon, Deborah Baker of Corsicana, Beverly Moran and Gary of Corsicana, Sherry and Randy Sargent of Pittsburgh Texas. Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends. Visitation will be 6-8pm Wednesday September 10, 2008 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Services will be 2:00 pm Thursday September 11, 2008 at the First Baptist Church with B.F. Risinger officiating. Burial will follow at Hamilton-Beeman Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Ken Parten, Brad Roughton, Gerald Whitehead, Mark Pratt, Kevin Farmer, Joey McClure. Honorary pallbearers will be Corsicana Fire and Rescue.



# Tribute Wall



“ *James Batson*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Tommie,*

*My heart goes out to you. I am so very, very sorry for you and your sons.*

*May God bless you during this very difficult time and please know that you are loved.*

*Carol Jo*

**carol jo sloan** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tommie and Family,*

*So sorry to hear of your loss. I pray the wonderful memories you have will comfort you during these times. My God hold you in his arms and give you peace.*

**Tom and Beverly Herrin** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although I never had the privilege of meeting James, I have met his son, Justin. Justin is a man of character and kindness. My heart goes out to all of you. May God comfort you in the times to come.*

**Conni Kitten** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family*

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**Karen Boleman Gilster** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Tommie and family,  
I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I pray God will be with you  
and your family and carry you through this.  
My prayers are with you.*

*Connie Little*

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**Connie Little** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Debbie Parten,  
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Words cannot express the  
sympathy I feel for you and your family. I pray God will be with you  
and your family and help you through this.  
God Bless You,  
Connie Little*

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**Connie Little** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. In  
remembering your father, I hope that those memories bring you joy  
and laughter and peace of mind.*

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**Esther De Leon** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Tommie, Justin and Hayden,

*Mark and I are so sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories of James. From the first time I met you when Mark and I were dating, James in our wedding, the times we would meet at the lake, the soccer games, going dancing, going to concerts, Mark and James meeting up to go motorcycle riding. Wonderful times! You guys are very special to us. May the loving memories of James get you through this difficult time. We love you and let us know if there is anything we can do. Love, Susan and Mark Reynolds*

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**Susan and Mark Reynolds** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Hayden, Everything I have thought to write here just doesn't seem enough. I know there aren't any words that are going to make you feel better right now. Just know that we love you and will be here for you with anything you need.

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**Lucrecia Chandler** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. James has been our friend for many years and we will miss you. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Terry Golden** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ I am sorry for your loss, we will be praying for your family. James will be missed by many. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Wade & Nicole Gillen** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *Tommie and family,*

*Wanted to let you know that you are in my Prayers and thoughts now and in the days to come.*

*Love, Cindy*

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**Cindy Smith** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. I hope you know our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.*

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**Sandra Boleman Sanderson** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Tommie, Justin, Hayden, Debbie, Lynda, Jon, Haley, Cody and family,*

*My deepest sympathy goes out to each of you. Words are not enough during this difficult time. I pray that God has wrapped each of you up in his loving arms and brings you comfort.*

*Katie*

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**Katie Hodge Smith** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during your time of loss. Haley & Matt, Debbie, Cody, John & Amanda, Lynda - we love you very much and are deeply sorry for what you are all having to go through. Please let us know if you need anything.*

*Love,  
Michael, Amber & Kambry*

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**Michael and Amber Morris** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *Your entire family is in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I was so sorry to hear of your loss. May God bless each and every one of you.*

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**Jo Beth Ellis** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Haley, Debbie, Justin and family,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family  
will be in our thoughts and prayers.  
Susie and Jeanna*

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**Susie Morgan McGinnis** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *My sincerest sympathy to you during this time. I'll keep you in my  
prayers.*

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**Judy Connolly** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *My love, thoughts, and prayers are with your entire family. I love you  
all dearly!*

*God bless you all,*

*Matt*

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**Matt Lampton** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ I ONLY WORKED WITH JAMES FOR A FEW SHORT MONTHS, BUT THAT WAS ENOUGH TIME TO GROW VERY FOND OF JAMES, AND TO APPRECIATE HIS SENSE OF HUMOR. I ENJOYED LISTENING TO HIS STORIES AND ADMIRING THE TREMENDOUS LOVE HE DISPLAYED FOR HIS FAMILY, ALL OF HIS FAMILY.  
EVEN THOUGH I WAS OLDER IN YEARS, I CONSIDERED HIM A WONDERFUL ROLE MODEL FOR ANY AGE.  
I AM CERTAIN THAT HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY, AS I KNOW HE WILL BY ME.  
I WILL NEVER FORGET HIM ASKING ME IF I WANTED TO COME OUT TO THE PARKING LOT, AND "WATCH MY TAIL LIGHTS GET REAL SMALL"  
PEACE BE WITH YOU.

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**PAT GARRETT** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Tommie Justin Hayden no words can express my feelings for your loss. James was one of my best friends and will be missed dearly. When God calls us home we must go. Knowing James is in God's home now, gives me comfort. I hope it helps you to. God Bless & hold You all.

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**Mitch Stotts** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ NO WORDS CAN EXPRESS HOW VERY SAD WE ARE AT THE LOSS OF BIG DADDY! HE WAS A WONDERFUL HUSBAND TO YOU, GREAT FATHER TO THE BOYS AND THE BEST FRIEND ANYONE COULD ASK FOR. OUR HEARTS BREAK FOR ALL OF YOU. WE ALREADY MISS HIM. JUST KNOW WE ARE HER FOR ALL OF YOU NOW AND FOREVER!!!!

ALWAYS

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**WENDELL AND DAWN WARREN** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *My prayers are with the entire family!*  
*Lisa*

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**Lisa (Trent) Coston** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *Debbie, words can not express how sorry I am for your loss. I am sorry I could not come out to the funeral home and be there for you, I am still dealing with the loss of my mom. Just know that you have friends out here that love you, and if you need anything Im here.*  
*xoxoxox*  
*Kelli*

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**Kelli Dycus Kuykendall** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Tommie, Justin & Hayden,*  
*Our hearts are breaking for you all. James was a great man. You and your family are in our prayers and thoughts. If we can do anything we are here. We love you all. Love Mark & Phyllis, Kris, Aaron & Dylan*

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**Mark & Phyllis Tidwell** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Tommie, Justin, Hayden & Family,  
There is not enough words to stay how sorry we are for the loss of James. James was the such a good hearted person and he loved each one of you dearly. Stay strong and please know that you will always have us here for you anytime you need anything. Our deepest thoughts and prayers are with you always.

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**Stan & Sherry Farmer** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Our hearts are saddened to hear this tragic news. You all are in our prayers.

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**David & Donna Richards** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ We are so sorry for your loss may the lord give you and your family comfort and strenght in your time of need. God Bless you and your family.

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**John Graham** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Tommie, Justin, and Hayden, I am so sorry for your loss. What a wonderful man James was. You guys were part of our family the minute you made it Hidden Hills. I know my parents were so sad when you left. The neighborhood will never be the same. Look to God for his love to heal you. You also have a great community to contribute whatever your needs might be. Corsicana people are the best. Let them help you in your time of need. Love and prayers to all of you from Wes, myself, Katie, and Little Wesley.

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**Lisa (Watson) Hanna** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *James Batson*

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“ *TOMMIE WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THIS. WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOU AND FAMILY.*

**Joey Kormos** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *James will be missed by his co-workers here at Electrico, Inc. God bless you and comfort you. My deepest sympathy to the Batson family.*

*Keep fond memories of James close to your heart.*

**Beverly Slater** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tommie, Justin, Hayden and Family, my deepest sympathy goes out to you. On the loss of a very respected, honorable man. Which will missed immensely and will not be forgotten for all the good he has done for the community and his friends. We will be hear for you.*

**Wesley and Anne Herrin** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tommie, Junstin and Hayden*

*There are no words that can express how sorry I am for loss! He will be missed greatly! You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely, Brian & Amy Pillans*

**Brian and Amy Pillans** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *It is with great sadness that we lose James. We have worked together for many years and he will be greatly missed. From all of his friends at Electrico, we express our sincere condolences to his family, friends and to the Corsicana Fire Dept. In sympathy,  
Jan, Buddy, Mark and Sandra Noblett*

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**Jan & Buddy Noblett** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Tommie, Justin and Hayden*

*We are so sorry for your loss and if there is anything we can do for ya'll we are here for you. We loved James and will miss him dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

*Love Ya'll,*

*The Farmer's*

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**Kevin and Deborah Farmer** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ *Tommie, Boys and The Batson Family. My heart was broken when I heard the news of the loss of James. I pray that God will wrap his arms around the family for comfort and to ease the pain. As the family comes together talk about the memories & laughter and how God blessed you with the time you shared with him. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Vicky Dyess Davis** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Tommie,

*Words can not express the feelings we feel for you right now. We love you and are praying for you. Just know that only God knows why he took James home so early. Try to understand that God will not put on us more than what we can handle. We are here for you when you need a shoulder to lean on.*

*Monty and Davelyn*

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**Monty & Davelyn Casbeer** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ For Tommie, Justin, Barbara, Debbie, Haley, Lynda and the entire Batson family, my heart is broken for you today. My prayers are with you that you may find some comfort through this tragedy. I thought the world of James and had much respect for him. I cannot imagine the pain you must be feeling but if there is anything at all I can do to ease your burden, please do not hesitate to call. Your family has been so kind and loving to Jeff and I and we are here if you need us.

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**Debbie Armstrong** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Tommie;

*Dan and I are so very sorry for your loss. We will love and miss James forever. He is a great husband, father and friend and will be truly missed by anyone that had the privledge of knowing him. We are here for you and your family. We will miss our "big daddy".*

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**Dan and Angie McLean** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ I was so shocked to here. I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Tammie Bell Leard** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Tommie & family*  
*There are no words to express the sorrow and pain you are going through, but know that you and your boys will be in our prayers and if you need anything please let us know.*  
*God bless you*

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**James & Donna Marrs** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ *Tommie and family, we are deeply saddened and shocked of the loss of James. We pray that God will cofort you and the boys and help y'all find a way through this. It is so hard to understand why bad things happen to good people. kepp your faith, God will help you through this. We love y'all and will do anything to help ya'll.*

*Deepest Symphathy,*  
*Larry and Venisa*

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**Larry and Venisa Tacker** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Tommie

*I am in shock just as I know you are. Remember that I as well as our Sunday school class are all praying for you and your family. Words cannot express the deep sorrow I feel for your loss. James will be missed in many areas. He was such a blessing to the ministry of many co-workers at the fire department. Let me know if there is anything I can do!!!*

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**Dana Griffin** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Tommie..please know that we are praying that God will wrap His loving arms around you and your boys during this time. We are so sorry for your loss.

*Sincerely,  
Chuck & Lisa Burns*

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**Chuck & Lisa Burns** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ Tommie, Justin, and family,  
*I am deeply saddened for your loss. I know there are really no words of comfort for you at this time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*  
Nancy

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**Nancy Neal** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Dear Tommie, Justin, Hayden and Family,  
There are no words that can express how sorry we are for your loss. Only God knows why. I pray that the love of your family and all your friends will help get you through the days to come. The boys are very upset and wanted ya'll to know they are thinking of you all. You will be in our thoughts and prayer each day.  
All Our Love.

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**Diane Douglas** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I am so sorry to hear about James.  
Tommi, Justin, & Hayden, our prayers are with yall at this time. I know he will be greatly missed my many. God bless you all.

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**Danny & Cindy Andrews** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Tommie, Justin & Hayden  
  
So sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. With Deepest Sympathy.

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**Mike & Marsha Stearman** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ James, you will be sorely missed. I will never forget your taking me hunting all those times. To the family, you will all be in my family's thoughts and prayers in this sorrowful time.

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**Steven Shae Smith** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Our thoughts and Prayers and with you during this hard time. Hang in there and remember that God will take care of you! We will miss you Ctp. Batson and we love you!

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**Johnny & Lara Pattison** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Hayden, Tommy, and my other son just to let u know that you have alot of friends that love and support you. James was a great father, friend and husband that touched many hearts including my sons over the years. He has loved his family so much and always will. I pray that the love of all your family and friends will help you get throught the hard days to come. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers each day. And remember we are just a phone call away. Anything you need call day and night please. Heaven has received another beautiful angel to watch over you all just like I feel that my Mom is . All Our Love...The Balls

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**mama ball** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Many asked me to coach, I always had excuses. James did not. Thank you James for helping me raise my family. You taught my children great values. And they will forever be gratefull to you. Some day all the Nomads will arrive in heaven and you will still be there Coach. Thank You, Heaven had a new Soccer Coach, A wonderful carring Coach.

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**Anrew Davila and Family** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Tommie, Justin and Hayden,  
I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Sherrie Sanders** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ *My heart breaks for each of you. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Wanza Warren Rogers** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *To the Batson Family:  
I know your loss is great, but remember the Lord has promised not to give us more than we can bear. There is strength & comfort in Him through His love, grace & mercy. And there is strength & comfort to draw from each other too.*

*There have been many times over the years that James talked to me about each of you; his dear and loving wife, the pride & love he had for his sons, and all the love and fondness he had for his mother, brother and sisters.*

*James was a good man. He had decent and just morals & principles that he lived by every day. It is obvious he instilled those same principles into his sons as well. James served the Lord's purpose by touching our lives in a very special way that will never be forgotten. God Bless You All.*

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**Darrell Stevenson** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.*

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**Robbie (Haggard) Derden** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ To the Batson family There are no words to express the sorrow and pain you are going through, but know that you and your boys will be in our prayers and if you need anything please let us know. God bless you

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**Staff at Willstaff Worldwide** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I am sure you have heard this before, we just don't have the answers to the why or if, but **THANK GOD WE KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES !!!!!** Tommie, please know you and your sweet family are so very loved. You are in my prayers for Gods love to surround you tightly and bring peace to your hurting hearts..... I am always just a phone call away.....

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**Debbie Holloway** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Our hearts and prayers are with the Batson family. I worked with James before going into the ministry. I am officiating a service on the 11th at 2pm and will not be able to attend his memorial, but you are in our prayers. May God carry you through this difficult time.  
*Todd Peavy*

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**Todd Peavy** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Tommie, Justin, and Hayden,*

*James was very influential in my life since we all met on the soccer field 15 years ago. He taught me about hard work and working as a team - lessons I have used all my life and will continue to do so. I am so sorry for your loss of this great and influential person. He will be truly missed. I hope that I can be there for support as you have been there for me.*

*Condolences,  
Brian Campbell*

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**Brian Campbell** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Sheriff Leslie Cotten & Sheriff's Office** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Tommie, Justin, hayden*

*TODAY OUR HEARTS ARE BROKEN AS YOURS ARE ALSO. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND ALL OF YOUR FAMILY. WE ARE ALWAYS HERE FOR YOU AND HOPE THAT YOU WILL CALL IF YOU NEED US. I HAVE LOST A DEAR AND LIFELONG BUDDY IN JAMES WHOM I CAN NEVER FORGET.*

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**Randy and Mary Cooper** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Dearest Barbara and Linda: My heart goes out to you during this time of sorrow. I did not know James well, but I do know the two of you and just wanted to let you know that your family is in our prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Bob & Judy Murphy** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ My prayers and thoughts are with u Hayden, Justin, and Tommie Batson. I will never forget what Coach James Batson taught me over the many years I played for him. He helped me shape myself into the man I have become today. I am forever grateful for what he has done for me and James Batson will forever be my coach. God Bless.

Andrew Davila - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ Justin, I'm sorry to hear about your father. You're in my prayers

Ryan Null - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ to the family we are very sorry to hear off your loss. may god be with you

victor and gerald batson - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Tommie and family we are so sorry for your loss, and we will keep ya'll in prayer.

Coy Anderton - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ So sorry to hear of James' passing. May God be with you all.

Eddie Moore - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ *Tommie Justin & Hayden; Words don't seem to be enough during this time, but know that you are in your hearts and prayers. James meant alot to us. We will never forget the memory of him sitting in that rocking chair rocking our baby girl to sleep and he wishing someone would do the same for him. We loved him and will miss him greatly. If you need ANYTHING, please give us a call. We love y'all!*

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**Travis Holly & Macy Ellington** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ *We are sorry to hear about your husband. If we can do anything, just let us know.*

*Gary & Sheila Poe*

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**Gary & Sheila Poe** - September 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM