



## Paul Childress

August 15, 1936 - November 7, 2008

Paul "Wimp" Childress, 72, died Friday, November 7, 2008 in Corsicana. He was born on August 15, 1936 in Barry to J. B. and Charlotte Childress. He grew up in Navarro County and attended Navarro Junior College; served in the Texas Air National Guard; worked at Exxon Service Station on Second Avenue while attending college; worked in the automotive parts business and owned Service Auto Supply. He began selling cars in 1977 at Red Bird Ford where he received numerous times top honors as salesman of the month and top truck salesman in Dallas. He remained at the same dealership currently known at Big Tex Ford as fleet manager from 1977 - 2008. He is survived by his wife Jackie of Corsicana; daughter - Cayla Anderson and husband Dell of Glendale, Arizona and grandchildren - Taylor, Caden and Canyon; step-Daughter - Paige Garza of Cedar Hill and grandchildren Jacob, Enzo and Vince; step-Brother - Eddie Walker and wife Diane of Fort Worth; step-Sister - Joyce Rash and husband Richard of Corsicana. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Monday at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Service is scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Bill Honea and Rev. Tony Neal officiating. Burial will follow at the Resthaven Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Dell Anderson, Charlie Collier, Bobby Howard, Vic Howell, Johnnie Edwards, Johnny Johnson, John Wallace and Bob Murphey. Honorary pallbearers will be Arlin St. Clair, C.A. Carroll, Bill Brummelt, Bobby Owens, Mike Forns, Richard Rash, Clarence Turner, Henry Jackson and Larry Balkum. Donations may be made to the

American Heart Association in memory of "Wimp".

# Tribute Wall



“ *Paul Childress*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *I've bought trucks from Wimp for over 15 years, and consider him as more than a business acquaintance.*

*We use to talk about his plans to retire, and spend the rest of his time tending to his cows, and visiting a few casinos.*

*There are things I'll always remeber about him, like his honest hand shake, great pair of boots, and a cigar that I had never seen him smoke.*

*I consider it an honor to have known such a great man, and will miss him very much.*

David Cortinas - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wimp helped many a person over the years that were down on their luck he provided a place to stay, food and loaned them money. I liked watching Wimp cook that Sunday roast I can see him with that pepper shaker in his hand. Wimp loved his family and was especially proud of his grandchildren. Wimp will be truly missed by all.*

john wallace - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ I only met him once, but was thouroughly impressed. It is rare that I meet a man and actually know that if I was around him more, we would be great friends.

David Jackson - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ wimp a long time friend will surely be missed.

BOBBY&LINDA HOWARD - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Wimp was a very kind man. I did not see him much, but when I did, he always made me smile. I will miss him, and think of him often.

Tammy Camp - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Paul Childress

Jerry N. Shelton - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ Our deepest symphathy for your family. We will always remember Wimp for his smile and fun personality. He was always there for us. Thank you for sharing him with us and with our family. Know that Wimp is in a better place of peace and laughing with JE and Bobby Johnson. You will see him again.

Nancy and Jerry Johnson - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ We were so sorry to hear about Wimp. Our hearts go out to all his family and friends. We have lived in Oak Valley for 26 years and the name Wimp Childress has been a part of Corsicana forever. I'm glad he got to enjoy his beautiful new home for a while. You all will be in our prayers.

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**Brett & Diane Douglas** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Jackie:

*I am very sorry to hear about Wimp. I am also sorry that I cannot be there for the service.*

*Wimp certainly meant a lot to me and was a great friend.*

*If there is anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to call.*

*Terry*

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**Terry and Lisa Henshaw** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *I have known Wimp all of my life. I smile as I think of the reunion up there as he was greeted by my dad, Johnny Sirman, and the Johnson brothers! I pray for peace for you during this difficult time.*

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**Cindy Griggs** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ *Cayla, we're so sorry to hear about your dad. I know you have lots of memories of special times spent with him that will carry you through this difficult time. Just know that Tony and I are thinking of you.*

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**Tony & Lynn Gatlin** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *He left us some good memories. My Sincere and Deepest Sympathy.*  
*Becky*

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**Becky Haynie** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Chris & Heather Mayo** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ *We all feel like we knew "Wimp" thru Bobby Owen. Bobby always spoke so highly of him.....*

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**Ennis Police Dept** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Dear Jackie, Cayla, & Paige: I cannot even begin to express the sadness we feel over the loss of Wimp. We all have truly lost a great man; I will always treasure the fond memories of staying so many Saturday night's and hanging out cooking all day on Sunday and having the best time of our lives with our best friends. Just know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time of sorrow. God Bless and know we love you.*

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**Bob & Judy Murphy** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ jackie our hearts and thoughts and prayers are with you as you grieve this loss - so many memories, so many years as neighbors and friends and 'sisters' - we want you to please let us help you in any way and call on us - we'll come and help you with whatever.

we love you and can't begin to express our sadness at the loss of your special guy.....

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**susan distefano** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ It saddens me deeply to learn of Wimp's passing. I remember as a young girl, a friend of Cayla's, what a loving daddy he was. My prayers are with the whole family, God bless you all during this time of sadness.

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**Tonya Fields Bowen** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Wimp was a wonderful person.

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**Marie DeRusha** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Wimp will truly be missed.

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**David "Duffy" Douglas** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ One of my favorite summers that I ever had included Wimp. We were all camping out at the lake on Darrell's lake property. My brother, Michael Reznicek and Kevin Collier had a fake snake and decided to try and scare Wimp. Well...they succeeded. It was the funniest thing ever. Wimp was a lot of fun and a good sport about the fake snake. He was a wonderful person. We will miss him.

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**Rachel Wampler** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ I will always remember Whimp as a big man with a big heart. Always laughing and enjoying life. My heart and love goes out to the family he has left behind. My sincere and deepest sympathy to his Cayla, a precious child who was so much a part of our lives for so long. Each and everyone of you are in my prayers. God Bless You All.

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**Reba Fields** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ We only knew Wimp for a short time, but we certainly enjoyed what time we knew him. Jackie, all our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of Wimp's family.

*Sunny and Gary*

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**Sunny Greenberg and Gary Massey** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ A special friend, lovingly remembered.

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**John and Susan Edwards** - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WL

“ I have known Wimp for over forty years. I was shocked and saddened by his passing. His family is in our prayers.

W.L. Lennon - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Jackie are thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If you need anything we are here for you and your family.

*With all of our love and deepest sympathy*

Me'Lissa Collins & Mark Kutch - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I've known Wimp since 1981 and have bought 16 vehicles from him and it was always a pleasure doing business with him. My last purchase from Wimp was in July 2007. In 2006, when I was buying a new Mustang GT from him, we started talking about our dogs. Wimp got all choked up when he talked about one of his dogs that recently passed away. There we were, in his office, two grown men, getting all teary-eyed and choked up over our little dogs. But that was Wimp. He was as tender-hearted as they come and it was his genuine caring about others that I believe made it a pleasure doing business with him all these years. I can easily imagine Wimp in Heaven still doing what he enjoyed doing on Earth -- being visited by his many customer-friends and selling. It was a pleasure knowing Wimp all these years. God bless you, Wimp.  
...Michael Bell

Michael Bell - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm also very sorry I was not aware of your loss until now. I pray God's blessings for you and your family.

Cathey A. Davis - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM