



Tory Cantu

April 14, 2010

Tory Lee Cantu our precious angel was given to us on February 17, 1997 in Corsicana. She was given her wings on April 14, 2010 at Children's Medical Center in Dallas where she fought like a champ and had all the staff mesmerized by not only her bravery by her stubbornness and individuality. Tory's personality and humor brightened up any room and had everyone laughing by the time she left. Heaven has not only gained one beautiful angel, it's also gained a little jokester who has definitely livened the place up. She might have only been on this earth for 13 years but she touched so many lives and her smile has been imprinted on everyone's heart. She was in the 7th grade at Rice High School. She is preceded in death by her MiMi Debbie Blue. They are now together walking hand in hand and we know MiMi couldn't be happier to have her ToTo at her side. She is survived by parents, Robyn and Joe Kittrell, Alex and Carmen Cantu; brother Ty Cantu, all of Corsicana. Grandparents Wesley and Tommie Blue, Pete and Grace Cantu all of Corsicana. Great grandparents Frances Perry, M.H. and Ida Blue of Corsicana and Frank Cantu. Uncles and aunts, Ryan and Chasity Blue, Patty Wells, Arnold Cantu, Chet and Brittni Kittrell, Ronnie and Linda Ford and Jennifer and Todd Stubbs all of Corsicana. Cousins Robert Wells, Aaron, Avery, Alyssa and Lexie Cantu, Logan Gruver, Parker Kittrell, Rian and Will Stubbs, Houston Rodges. She is also survived by her best friend Sadie Gent (Turtle) and 2nd family Mama Gent, Mr. Coach Gent and Sarah. Visitation will be 6-8pm Friday April 16, 2010 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Services will be 3pm

Saturday April 17, 2010 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Darin Wood and Dr. Gary Johnson officiating. Burial will follow at Hamilton-Beeman Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Aaron Cantu, Avery Cantu, Robert Wells, Robert Allen, Dan Taylor and David Currey.

Tribute Wall



“ *Tory Cantu*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *To the greatest friend any body could ask for. She was a person evry body wanted to be around. She was smart, FUNNY, athlitic, and prity!!!NO ONE SAW THIS COMING. My heart goes out to her family for they have sufferd a loss that few ever haft to. We will see you agin someday. So i say my good by now and my hello in advance.SEE YOU SOME OTHER DAY!*

Raven Huffman - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ To the Parents, Family, Friends of Tory, I can't imagine the loss you are feeling. From everything I have heard of Tory from Karla and everything I have read about Tory and the fight she put up, shows what a special and amazing girl she was. The sadness and loss of Tory reaches far beyond what a person would normally think.

As I read her fan page and her tributes here, I find myself at a loss for words. This young girl was most certainly an example of how people should be. She was loving, helpful, fun, supportive, accepting... I could list words all night of ways to describe her, what comes to mind to sum it up is INSPIRATIONAL.

Through Tory many people have learned what faith truly is. Whether you were of strong faith to begin with, you had backed away from it, or whether you were really never familiar with it before becoming a fan of her page. I think from what I read everyone who logged off of that page was drawn back to it multiple times a day, based on the positive environment, the faith, prayers and love that people showed. This is where I come up with the word for Tory as Inspirational.

You will be missed Tory, and am saddened that I never had the honor of meeting you, as you sound like an amazing individual.

Robyn, I know this is by far the hardest thing you have ever dealt with, but even through the pain and sadness, you have to feel such pride and such joy when you read that it wasn't just you that knew how amazing Tory was, everyone seen it! I hope that some day you can take comfort in the legacy Tory has left with everyone who had the privilege of knowing her, or getting to know her through her fan page, she was nothing short of remarkable, you did a fantastic job with your daughter and it shows to everyone.

Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you not just today and tomorrow, but everyday. May God Bless You and Give you Peace

DeAnna Daniel - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Tory's family for their loss. Tory will be greatly missed at Rice JH/HS.*

*Sincerely,
Mary Kirby*

Mary Kirby - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *To Tory's whole family. I was so sorry to here about her passing. Such a young beautiful girl. She was a cheerleader with my niece Natalie Jordan. She will be missed by all. It is so nice to know we will see her in Heaven some day soon. Me God Bless each of you. I know her Grandfather Wesley but everyone in navarro county duz. My heart go,s out to you her Mother. Peggy Jordan.*

Peggy Jordan - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *Tory you were such a brave girl. You are now in heaven and no longer have pain. You will be sorely missed by all that new you. I did not get the chance to know you but I know you were and still are very much loved. I pray for strength for your mom Robyn and your family.*

Deanna Rios - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Sweet Tory!!! You are already missed by so many!! You brought a community together that joined you in your fight.. You have touched the lives of so many and some that did not even get the chance to meet you, but you impacted their lives... The girls (Katie, Christina, Taylor, Chelsea, Ryan and Savana) sent balloons to you with messages tonight. Each personalized with LOVE. This is not goodbye, its just until we meet again! I will see you again someday!!

Robyn and family - You are enduring a pain that parents should not have to endure. Tory was a special child and she impacted the lives of so many people in the last couple of weeks. She is now our shining star and an angel that looks down on us...

Rhonda Freeland - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I'm so very sorry for the loss of your special angel, my thought's and prayer's will be with you all during these very difficult time's,may God bless you all.

Cindy Shelton - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ As a parent myself, I cannot imagine your anguish. I must have faith, though, that God will see you through. In your darkest hours, I pray you will turn to Him...He will always be there. Words will never be enough, I know, but they're all I have to give...I'll keep you all in my thoughts and prayers as your sweet angel soars her way to Heaven to smile down on you all. God Bless all of you.

Mary (Forstmann) Castillo - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Just wanted to tell Robyn and her family how sorry I am for the loss of Tory. I will continue to pray for the family and be there in any way needed.

love,
bonnie

Bonnie Harwell - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Hi, I don't think I knew Tory or you guys. My friends were good friends with her and I have heard many great things about her. I'm sure she was an awesome, loving, and cheerful person. Her story made me tear up. I've been praying for her and her family. Tory is in a better place now. She may be gone buy not forgotten. I'll always remember her and smile when I think of her knowing that she's safe in God's hands. God bless you all and Tory. You're in my prayers and always will be.

Angel - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ I taught Tory at First Baptist Weekday Preschool along with Mrs. Phinny. She was the sweetest little girl and always so fun to be with. I also taught her brother, Ty. He was very quiet and shy but very polite, they both were. Our paths have not crossed in many years but you never forget the sweet faces that you have taught. May God bless your family during this time and I pray you will feel His arms around you holding you up as you go through the days ahead.

You all will be in my prayers.

Love In Christ,
Pam Burns

Pam Burns - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I hope someday in some small way your heart will heal...
May Tory Forever Live In Our Hearts...
She will be missed immensely....

*A Heart of Gold stopped beating,
Two eyes shining at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove
He only takes The Best.*

*God knows you had to leave us,
But you did not go alone~
For part of us went with you,
The day he took you Home.*

*To some you are forgotten, To others just the past.
But to us who loved and lost you,
Your memory will always last.*

Cas & Brandi Laudon - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

D8

“ Hello Robin, sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers are with you and your family, know that God has you in the palm of his hands and know that he is always in control.

Please know that I am here if ever you need someone to talk with or a shoulder to cry on. My number is 903-422-6132. I pray God's strength in your life.

*Love Always,
Dianna*

Dianna Tolliver (Williams) Class Of 88 - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Carmen and Alex,

There is no way I can say words that will ease your hearts right now. All I can say is that Tory was a wonderful girl, and has left a huge impact on everyone she met. I remember when we were neighbors, Tory was always happy and full of joy. I know she will be missed but she is in a better place, walking with God waiting for the day she can see y'all again.

Please know my prayers are with y'all.

Jeff Foley - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ we miss you toto very much. we love you. and one day we'll see you again(:

love, kaitlyn.

kaitlyn greenup - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ h2kl9d mztiompojveg, [url=<http://xjitpwixsygt.com/>], [link=<http://padbzrpladi.com/>], <http://ricbzhiqimzq.com/>

jdwoak - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TZ

“ We are so sorry we never got the chance to meet you but we know that you were very kind and you had a good heart, but your now in a better place and right know she is watching over her family making sure your okay!But she well always be in are hearts.

The Ziegenhagens - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

C(

“ Where to start, Lot's of people have showed there support, prayers, concern for all the family, but mine is to the parents, and grandparents. You had a little girl who has touched thousands a very rARE THING. THE LOSS IS UNBEARABLE, ONLY HEALING COMES From PRAYER AND TIME. Only God can truly bring this, I can't and don't want to imagine losing my children or grandchildren, but when the time comes, I pray my children and grandchidren will have touched lifes the way your little angel has. Take all the support of these memoirs and keep them close to your heart, on the bad days read them and look up for the sky will lite up with her smile and the trees will wave in the wind, by her jokes. Comfort will come when you allow the Lord to hold you tight and comfort you in Garden,

Connie (Sykes)Pair - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. I have never met you, but with all the students thoughts and memories and friends I feel like I do. You are so loved and deeply missed, its not a goodbye but rather as a See you Later.

Rosa Vasquez - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ tory was a great person she could make anybody smile. even on your worst days tory would make you laugh and smile until you were crying. Tory had the best personality and the best humor. Tory's passing away hit rice isd really bad she was a great girl and a great friend. we all miss tory but she will be in our hearts forever. RIP Tory

chelsey pannell - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ My deepest sympathy - to lose a loved one young is painful. May you find comfort in knowing God is aware of the tears you are shedding - Psalms 56:8 "Do put my tears in your skin bottle. Are they not in your book?"

Denise - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Tory was a amazing awesome girl. I can honstly say she was a girl who could cheer u up any time you were down. She would always show off her sexy moves and call her self a sexy beast. But she still does with God. Robyn and the family, just know Tory is in a better place now she is watching over us to. We will truley miss her so much. But we will get to be with her again someday and I will do the sexy moves with her and call our selfs sexy beast too. We miss you To-To. We love you.

Macee Curry - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Robin, So sorry to hear about Tory. We all prayed hard for her. I can't imagine your hurt, but trust in God and he will carry you through. Know that you and your family will stay in our prayers. Love, Reese and Lori Hines and Family

Lori (Prater) Hines - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Robyn and Alex We are sorry for the loss of your angel, no one can express enough emotion to know how you feel. However we will have you in our thoughts and prayers. And know your angel will be watching over you and will be in your hearts always. If there is anything that we can do to help with the hurt, please know that we will be there. Call us any time. God Bless you in this time of loss.*
Love, Danny Melinda & Jeff Price

Danny, Melinda & Jeff Price - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *May the Lord watch over and keep you in this time of loss. Our prayers go out to for you. Hold on to the knowledge that she is in the hands of God and is in no more pain. As bright as her light shone here on earth it will surely shine that much more brighter in Heaven.*

Brandy Hartley-Sewell - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *We love you very much and we're so sorry for your loss.*

Gwen Gonzales - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ *Alex and Family*

So sorry to hear of your loss. I can not imagine the pain you are feeling at this time, but want you to know you are in our thoughts and our prayers at this difficult time. Tori is now a new star in the night time sky and she is watching you and being your guardian angel.

Prayers and thoughts headed your way

*Glenda
Bobby Whittenburg & Family*

Glenda Whittenburg Bowling (Bobby's Mom) - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ *she was a good person*

tommyglass - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *There are no words to tell you all how sorry we are for your loss. I can see Debbie now with her arms wrapped around Tory holding her so tightly. I wish there was something I could do to help ease your pain, but I know there is nothing right now I can do for you all except let you all know we love you and are there for you. Cherish all the beautiful memories you have and keep them close to your heart. You all have so many family and friends that care so deeply for you, let them into your hearts to help comfort you through the days to come. God Bless You All.*

Diane Douglas - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Robyn and Alex, I am so sorry to hear of your loss.No words can help take your pain but hopefully some small comfort can be found in how many lives your wonderfull special girl touched. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.All my love Missy

Missy Allen - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My prayers are with your family. I just lost my son, Mar 21, 2010. There is nothing worse than losing a child and my heart goes out to you. Thank God for the precious moments you shared with her during the short time he loaned her to you. Lean on Him for He will give you the strength to breathe one breath at a time. May you find peace within your heart.

Donna Huffman - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Robyn there is no words that will comfort you right now but just know she is in heaven and looking down on you letting you know she is free from pain and sickness. I will continue to pray for you and your family hoping peace will prevail to you and your family. I love you and will be there if you need anything. Tory was blessed in every way to have you as her mom and best friend, not to say her #1 fan! She is with your mom now and eventually one day you will all be together for eternatity.

penny klafka - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ We are so saddened to hear of your loss of dear Torie. Her pain and suffering is now over and she is happy in Heaven. Know that the love she had for you both, Alex and Robyn, will always be in your heart.

Jerry and Pat Poarch - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“ *In Memory of Tory*

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered ?come to me.? With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. ~ Irish Prayer~

Robyn, my heart is breaking with yours. Just know that she is walking in the most beautiful place there is, free from pain. Each of you are in my heart and in my prayers.

Juli Ivie - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *I Am So Sorry For Your Loss....I Barley Knew Tory...But She Was A Very Sweet Girl...She Is In A Better Place Now.....
Gone But Never Forgotten*

I

Kalyne Ferguson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *we love you tory! nd we all miss u alot!!! i hope tha family is doin ok... well WE LOVE U TORY!!! R.I.P*

lauren - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Our prayers are with the family.*

Steve & Pam McCall & Chase - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We will miss you dearly.

David & Jennifer Currey - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ My heart breaks for Tory's family. I cheered with Tory at DCI this year and there was not a time I saw her sad or without a smile. All of her songs that she would sing still make me smile. She was always giving everyone compliments and trying very hard to improve at everything she did. I will truly miss her and will never forget Tory.

Kayla Wilkie - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ Our students are sad at the loss of our dear, sweet Tory. We all loved her. Our thoughts and prayers remain with ya'll at this difficult time.

Virginia Laird - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I did not get the privilege of knowing Tory personally. But I followed her progress on facebook and by her cousin Tamara Rogers. My prayers are with the family in this difficult time. Tracy

Tracy Cooper - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ "There is no greater loss; than a child".

Duayne and Debbie Callahan - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Tory. Nothing anyone can say or do can take the pain away. Just know that Tory is no longer hurting or in pain. Shes in a better place and now watching over the rest of you. One day we will all go and meet her again and that day will be glorious. Keep the memories alive and strong and keep up your faith.

Samantha Boyd - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I feel blessed that I knew Tory, and am proud to say I was her teacher, coach and friend. My heart goes out to you Robyn, Alex and Ty.

Carolyn Phinney - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Tory. My thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of sorrow.

Michelle Clark Messick - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Tory was always a wonderful and willingly student. She had a wonderful sense of humor and would always make Sadie and me laugh. My prayers are with you and your family. May God walk with you and comfort you.

Donna Gipson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Robyn, Alex, Joe, Ty and Family,

*You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God guide you thru this most difficult time. My heart and soul ache for you all. God Bless
Love The Scruggs'*

Shane & Lisa Scruggs - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Robyn, Alex, Ty, Joe, Carmen, Wesley, and the rest of the family, I heart is breaking for you all. I can not imagine how you are feeling! I pray that God will put his loving arms around you and help you through these hard times. Have faith in God. "I can do all things thru Christ, who strengthens me" I know that Debbie is taking good care of her. Tory is no longer hurting, which is a blessing. She fought so hard and brought so many people together. She is an angel and I am glad that I knew her.
Lisa

Lisa Coston - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Alex, Carmen, and Ty,

We are praying for you and your families at this time. It was nice getting to talk to yall last night and here you tell all the nice things and funny stories about Tory. Keep those close to your heart. Words cannot express how you must feel, but know that we love you, and with strength and faith in God, all things are possible. Your little angel and HERO will always been watching over you.

Jason and Kim Gullatt - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ To Robyn, Alex, and all other family members and friends...my heart is heavy with saddness and i have prayed since day one when Tory was taken to Childrens. There are no words that i can say and no actions that i can take ...just know that you all have an enormous support group of friends and family that love you all and are praying for you and i hope that can bring some comfort and peace into your hearts at this time.

Psalm 34:18

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Isaiah 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand

Nonnie Farmer - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ I did not know Tory personally, but she has touched this community. I know she was a very special little girl and I am so sorry for your loss. As a mom I cannot imagine what you are going through but I pray to God for you to find peace with this.
God Bless you and your family as you go through this difficult time.

Vicki Haynie - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

“ *The Cord*

*We are connected,
My child and I, by
An invisible cord
Not seen by the eye.*

*It's not like the cord
That connects us 'til birth
This cord can't been seen
By any on Earth.*

*This cord does it's work
Right from the start.
It binds us together
Attached to my heart.*

*I know that it's there
Though no one can see
The invisible cord
From my child to me.*

*The strength of this cord
Is hard to describe.
It can't be destroyed
It can't be denied.*

*It's stronger than any cord
Man could create
It withstands the test
Can hold any weight.*

*And though you are gone,
Though you're not here with me,
The cord is still there
But no one can see.*

*It pulls at my heart
I am bruised...I am sore,
But this cord is my lifeline
As never before.*

*I am thankful that God
Connects us this way
A mother and child
Death can't take it away!*

Nonnie Farmer - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Robyn and Alex I will be praying for your families for comfort and peace. Find comfort in the fact that Tory is healed now, though it is hard for those of us left behind. You both will one day meet up with your precious sweet daughter for eternity. Until then think of the good memories you had with her. The world is blessed to have had Tory for the time the good Lord let us borrow her.*

*Much Love,
Jeff, Lisa, Colby, & Layton*

Jeff & Lisa VanderGraaf & Family - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *tory we*

kursten smith - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Robin, my thoughts and prayers are with you, your family, and loved ones..May God keep you safe and comfort you..Just don't let the human greed devour you..I've walked the road you're walking..*

April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *All our love!*

Monnie Metcalfe - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *All of you are in our thoughts & prayers. Tory was so loved & will be greatly missed by the students at Rice. Ty, we are here for you if you need us. May God's love comfort each of you in the days ahead.*

The Barlow's - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *Robin,*

I'm so sorry. I really don't know what to say because nothing will comfort you at this time. Just know that she is with some pretty spectacular people right now. God must have needed an extra rose and he picked a good one. I will keep you in my prayers and know that Aunt Di has shed many tears for both you and Tory.

*Love you,
Dianne*

Dianne Hopson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Tory may you rest in peace hun i love you and miss you already see you very soon hun have fun in heaven with your grandma*

Branisha Connor - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ *Tory Cantu*

LindaRosenbalm Olvera - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Alex and Robin, we are so sorry to hear of the loss of Tory. She was a beautiful person. She will be missed by everyone. God needed another angel so he took her away from all her pain to be with him and to look over all of you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.*

Jerry & Stephanie Poarch & family - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *hey im so sorry i love u tory lee cantu*

sanmera - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *tory was the best person i know she could brighten up any rainy day. she made everyone laugh and she was very loved. she is in no more pain and in a better place. i am very sorry for your loss. tory made everyone feel good and will always be in my heart.*

ty faubion - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

“ *When Tomorrow Starts Without Me*

*When tomorrow starts without me;
And I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes,
All filled with tears for me;
I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me,
As much as I love you,
And each time you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too;
But when tomorrow starts without me,
Please try to understand,
An angel came and called my name,
And took me by the hand,
And said my place was ready,
In heaven far above,
And that I would have to leave behind,
All those I dearly love.*

*As I walked through heaven's gates,
I felt so much at home.
When God looked down and smiled at me,
From His great golden throne,
He said, "This is eternity, and all I've promised you."
Today your life on Earth is past,
But here it starts anew.*

*I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last,
And since each day is the same day,
There's no longing for the past.
So won't you take my hand, and share my life with me?
When tomorrow starts without me,*

*Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.*

Robin and Ty - this poem has helped me thru several losses and I hope it will do the same for you!

Julie Beale - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *I am so sad to hear about Tory. I was her teacher in the second grade at Bowie. I loved her like the daughter I never had. My prayers go out to you and your family. May God give you the strength you need during this time in your life. She was a beautiful and sweet girl inside and out!*

Denise Gordon - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DI

“ *It is apparent that Tory touched the lives of many. It breaks my heart to think of the pain her family and dear friends are feeling during this very difficult time. I have read countless messages that are all heart felt and full of love. Tory is no longer here on earth to brighten the room or bring a smile to ones face, however she is no doubt in the hearts of many where she will remain. My prayers for strength go to those left here to feel the pain of her passing. Robyn, Alex, I can not imagine what you as her parents are feeling right now. I pray that in time you will find comfort knowing you raised a beautiful young lady who had such a wonderful impact on so many people. May God wrap his loving arms around you at this time.*

Diane - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ We hardly knew Tory but the few moments I knew Tory I knew she was a very special girl. She was funny, pretty, sweet to everyone. We at Rice High School will miss her dearly. We wish the most sincere regrets for your lose. May God Be With You!

Alberto & Fabian Lopez - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of grief. I did not know Tory personally, but knew so many people that did know her and talked about how wonderful she was. I know she will be deeply missed by all.

Crystal Joles - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ she touched everybodys heart...no one will forget her and thats the truth....she always made me smile no matter how i was feeling.she was a real bubbly person...even no matter how bad of a day she was having she never let it show...and i will miss her and so will everybody else who new her and i am sooo sorry for your loss.

tristy prophitt - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with this whole family! I can not even imagine the pain y'all are going through. Always turn to god and he will see you through the way but now he has Lil Miss Tory to help him when you all call!! :)

Emily Hernandez - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ hello i am very sorry for your loss.it has made a very big impack on the rice isd.there has been many,many tears shed from me nd alot of other people.im very sorry for what happened to Tory nd we all loved her nd we miss her very much nd i love yall nd please keep strong ur daughter was a very great person nd she could make anyone smile.

Austin Peppers - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Robyn & Family, We are so sorry for the pain you are going through. Tory was such a special young lady and very loved by so many. Your mom and Tory are now together in the presence of our Savior. Cling to Jesus and know that He will carry you through. We will pray for your strength to get through the days to come.
Love,
Scott, Jeri, McKenna & Caleb Watkins

Jeri Watkins - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ I'm sorry for your loss. Tory was one of my really good friends. It's not the same at school without her. If there is anyway that I can help please tell me.

Chris Atchley - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ZD

“ She was a good friend and I'm sad to lose her.

Zach Duncan - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ *Tory was a great friend. I'm sad to lose her. I can't wait to see her in heaven. She beat us to the finish line and she saw her midgets.* ”

Preslie Davis - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HT

“ *To me Tory was a good person. she always put a smile on my face no matter if i was mad, upset or whatever she would always be there for me. What happened to Tory was very sad. A girl with a bright smile and a good personality shouldnt of deserved this. But i guess this is how god wanted it so im glad that god chose this way for her. She doesnt have to go through pain every single day. Now she can rest in peace. I loved Tory as a friend and i always will keep her in my heart.* ”

Haley Taylor - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *I did know Tory personally but through Darline I feel like did. I know she is at peace now and in the hands of the Lord and her MiMi. Have piece knowing that she will have everlasting life in heaven and that one of these days you will have be together again.* ”

SUSAN TURNER - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beautiful daughter. I pray that in time that you can find piece and will keep you in my prayers.* ”

Robbie Swart - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *My Dearest Joe and Family,*

How very sorry I am for your loss,that this tragic loss has come to one so young. I pray God holds you all close and comforts you. May the sweet memories you have of the time you shared comfort you through this time and remind you that this is not the end.

Tom and Beverly Herrin - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ ~The Angels are always near to those who are grieving, to whisper to them that their loved ones are safe in the hands of God.~

There are no words that are befitting @ a time like this, so that is why I wrote that poem in memory of Tory. I had only hoped that it would give the family & friends of this sweet little Angel some assemblance of comfort. I will post it here so that anyone that didn't get a chance to read it, can. {Just in case you change your mind about having it read during her service.} I hope it brings you comfort as well. My heart physically aches for the family & friends of this beautiful little girl.

-Gods little Angel-

by dlr 04/14/10...

{dedicated & written by me, in memory of Tory Lee Cantu}...

You are now sleeping with the Angels, peacefully resting at last. Your earthly trials & troubles are over & past. In silence you suffered until God said "No more." Then He came to take you with Him to live in His Kingdom forevermore. You left behind loved ones, family & friends. But one day we will all be reunited never to be parted again. In the hearts of those who loved you, there will always be lots of room...to fill with beautiful memories of a little girl who left this earth too soon.

With my deepest & most heartfelt sympathies. My heart & prayers are with you all during this time of great loss.

Di Anna Bratcher Robinson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ Robin, Alex, Ty and Family: I am so very sorry for your loss. I can't imagine the pain and grief you all are feeling at this moment. I do not know what I could say to help right now, so I will just pray that God will bring you all peace and comfort during this time and the rough times ahead. Just know that we are here for you if you need anything. If not, know that I will be lifting you and your family up in prayer. Tory was a beautiful girl and will be missed by many. You were blessed by such a wonderful and I am sure I do not have to tell you that. Hold all of your memories dear and let those comfort you when you are down.
Love and prayers,
Violet

Violet Crum - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Just wanted yall to know that you are in my prayers!! Can't make it to the funeral unfortunately but I did send yall an Ivy plant!! I'm so very sorry for yalls loss and Robyn you know I'm thinking of you deeply!! As well as Alex. And Ty. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call. Sending you much love and my deepest condolences! Love yall and my heart aches right along with you!! Sincerely and with much sympathy, Christopher Jones!!

Christopher L. Jones - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ There are no words to ease the pain you're feeling at this time. Just know that there are many, many people holding you close in their hearts and praying for your strength to get through the days ahead. You have to trust in the Lord that this was his will; it doesn't make your loss any easier to bear, but knowing that your precious little girl is walking with the angels will help! Our love and prayers to your entire family.

Lanelle Crawford - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. If there is anything we can do to help let us know. Tory will be forever in our hearts.

Stephen & Melinda Cantu - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ May God comfort you as only he can at this difficult time. Your beautiful Angel is now in Heaven with my little Angel. Remember: If God will lead you to it then He will also lead you through it. Have faith and strength in the Lord. With God's love and ours. The Baker's

Susie Marshall Baker - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

“ To Tory's Family

Your daughter Tory was a very special, couragous,brave young lady. Who will always and forever be apart of our dearest thoughts and most treasured memories. She will always be treasured in everyone's hearts. Tory will forever be missed. We sincerely hope that in some small way time will ease your sorrow....

WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me,
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me, As much as I love you,
And each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too,
But when tomorrow starts without me, Please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand,
And said my place was ready, in heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.
But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye
For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die.
I had so much to live for, so much left yet to do,
It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.
I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,
I thought of all the love we shared, and all the fun we had,
If I could relive yesterday, just even for awhile,
I'd say good-bye and kiss you and maybe even see you smile.
But then I fully realized, that this could never be,
For emptiness and memories, would take the place of me.
And when I thought of worldly things, I might miss come tomorrow,
I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow,
But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home.
When God looked down and smiled at me,
From His great golden throne,
He said, "This is eternity, and all I've promised you."

*Today your life on earth is past, but here life starts anew.
I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last,
And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past.
You have been so faithful, so trusting and so true.
Though there were times you did some things
You knew you shouldn't do.
But you have been forgiven and now at last you're free.
So won't you come and take my hand and share my life with me?
So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.
Author Unknown*

Brianna,& Steelee Benner - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ *My sympathy goes out to you and Alex for the loss of your daughter. I am sure that would be the hardest thing to handle. I remember her when you lived on Trailridge Circle. She was just a little child @ that time. I remember when Buddy, our dog, was attacked by the pit bulls and Alex had him in his carport, and Tory was out that evening when I went over to your house. Time has gone by so quickly because she was just a little toddler and now she has grown into a beautiful young lady. Again, Fred and I wish to tell you how sorry we are for the loss of your child.*

Fred & Sharon Mertz - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Robyn, and family we are so sorry to hear about your loss...I know Tory was your life, but you have to know she is not suffering anymore. God did take a sweet angel home and always rememeber she loves you very much.....*

Mike and Thresa Cates - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Robyn and family,
I know there are no words that can take away your pain now. You have to trust in God that he had a reason to call Tory home. It was not to hurt you even though the pain is so unbearable for you now. God's will sometimes is hard for us to understand.
I know that her MIMI is with her and is taking her under her angel wings to watch over her. Tory loved her MIMI so much and think of Tory's happiness now that she is with her MIMI.
Ryan said the other night, " I bet mom is having a good time" with her Tory too. Take comfort in knowing that Tory is not alone. She will always live in your heart and soul and one day you will see her again in Heaven. Debbie would tell you, Robyn, you will make it through this and you will be ok and that is what she would expect from you and want you to do. From Heaven's doors she will guide you and lead you through this sadness and put joy back in your heart. Listen to her, she will show you the way!
I love you all so much.*

Kenneth and Sharlotte Coker - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Our children are our life, you will go on and be strong for she will always be there with you and yours. God bless your family.*

Donna Green - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *We can't even find the words to express our sorrow and grief we are feeling for your family. You have been in our thoughts and prayers for a while now and we will continue to pray for your family. We hope for peace and healing and know that Tory is the one that is not suffering, we are. Blessings to your family. With heavy hearts we send our sympathy.*

Melanie Cagle and Ashley - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *My family's thoughts and prayers are with you all. May you find strength and comfort in God.*

Julie Slaughter - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Dear Alex and Robyn,*

Our family is greatly sorry for your loss. Words can never relieve the pain in your hearts. Know that we pray for you and hope that in the coming days you will be able to cherish the time you had with your little angel. If there is anything our family can do for yours please just ask. We are here for you both.

Joe and Robin Ybarra and Family - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ *I didn't know you or your precious angel but Heaven is definately a more beautiful place because she is there. My prayers are with your family at this time of sorrow. I went to school with James Bacheldor and had joined the blog for Tory on line on Facebook. Cherish the memories!*

Vicki DeLaGarza - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *God Bless you Tory, we will miss you and you will always be in our hearts...*

Johnny Guerra - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ Dear Robyn & Jody:
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved daughter Tory. My heart goes out to you and your family.
Phyllis

Phyllis Adams - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ robyn, i am sooo sorry for your loss. i cannot imagine the pain you are going through. just know that you are in my prayers and thoughts! tori is not in pain any longer and at peace with her grandma in heaven. god bless and try to be strong. love you, stephanie ivy (morrison)

stephanie ivy - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ To the entire family of Tory, I send you my prayers and sympathies. I did not know her but I am sure she was a special loving child. I knew her grandmother who was certainly a special lady. I have no doubt she is sitting beside her granddaughter now and loving her so much. I can't imagine the grief that the family must be feeling but I hope and pray that you know you now have another special angel watching over you and someday you will be with her again. God be with you.

Debbie Lake - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ From the bottom of our hearts, please know that Tory's life has had a positive impact on so many of our youth. Raven says that "Tory had it all!" Everyone that knew her, loved her. She set the example of loving everyone and being friends with everyone no matter what. I feel honored to know that my child had the honor of knowing someone so special. He is like many many others -very saddened and will never forget Tory! Our prayers are with you.
Claudia Huffman (Raven's mom)

Claudia Huffman - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I hate that your precious child has passed. I too know the pain of losing a child. Hold strong to your faith, remember where your strength comes from. She is not lost; she is with our Lord and Savior. She will forever live on in your hearts and memories.

I pray that you receive the peace that surpasses all understanding.

Shelly Duke Cassada - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Tori, you pretty little smile will be missed. You are now in a better place where you are no longer in any pain. I am sure you have the most beautiful wings of all. Everyone here is so proud of the things you got to accomplish in the time you were here. You were so strong an put up a strong fight. You will be missed. We all love you! As i like to say this is not goodbye this is just see ya later for a while!

Dusty and Kensley Blue & boys - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Tory!! we miss you so much. you were such a good friend to so many people. you were the only reason cheer was kinda fun! Lol. im glad i got to cheer with you last year and proud to say you were my team mate! you live on in all of our hearts! and now you have no more pain.. please look down, and keep a watch on your family! they loved you VERY MUCH! i love you girl.. see you on the other side.*

*-Kyla Marie.
PS. BANANAS!!*

kyla farmer - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *We never really got to know you or Tory very well, which is sad to say for neighbors, but, we can't even begin to imagine the sorrow and pain at such a loss. We were not aware of what had happened until a few days ago. We then kept a close watch on what was going on through the Facebook page. It was good to see so many people from all over the country that cared. We could tell that Tory was a very sweet girl. We wanted you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Jerry and Mary Rozelle - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. May GOD be with you at this time.*

(I am Monty Casbeer's sister)

Crystal Casbeer Price - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Dear Family,
Please know that Joyce and I will be praying for you. Tory's name has been on our refrigerator every since we first heard the news from Brigitte Franklin. We have been praying and will continue to pray for you.
God Bless. Tim Schane, Pastor- House of Praise Church of God.

Rev. & Mrs. Tim Schane - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ "What moves through us is a silence, a quiet sadness, a longing for one more day, one more word, one more touch, we may not understand why you left this earth so soon, or why you left before we were ready to say good-bye, but little by little, we begin to remember not just that you died, but that you lived. And that your life gave us memories too beautiful to forget"

Tory will always live in our hearts and I know she will always be the brightest SHINING STAR in the sky..

My thoughts, prayers and love to all of Tory's family.

Stephanie Mainord - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ I would like you too know your whole family is in my prayers.I knew Tory through my little sister Kaelyn,she was a very good child.I will miss her dearly....

Casey Jones - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Robyn and family, we are so sorry for your loss. I know there are no words to help ease your pain. I found this poem and i hope it will bring you some comfort. May God bless yall and comfort yall during this time.

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the snow on the mountain's rim,
I am the laughter in children's eyes,
I am the sand at the water's edge,
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle Autumn rain,
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight,
I am the star that shines at night,
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there, I did not die.*

Michelle Ratliff - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ OUR HEART GO OUT TO YOU

JIM AND JANET ROBY - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My nephew, Sergio and I are praying for you family...

Meghan Serrata - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *another angel for god to enjoy*

raychaun ballard - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ *Holding the Kittrell, Blue & Cantu families close to our hearts during this very dark time, and praying for your comfort, peace and strength in the coming days. I know it sounds so cliché, but know that our feelings are truly heartfelt. Lean on each other, lean on your friends, but mostly lean on God as you try to understand his plan for Tory and for you. What a beautiful young lady Heaven has gained!!*

Tony & Lynn Gatlin - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Tory was once our "Shining Star" and now she's our "Guardian Angel".*

Jaime & Rylea Skinner, Barbara Scott - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ *My heart is breaking for all of Tory's parents. I never had the pleasure of meeting Tory, unfortunately. Please accept my deep condolences for your loss.*

Herman and Laurie Forstmann - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ *Want the family to know we loved her and will be praying for your whole family.*

Stephen, Devan, Haley, and Gracie Jenkins - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ were sad knowing youre gone but its makes us happy to know youre a angel restin in peace WE LOVE U TORY

chick lusk - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ My dear Robyn,Wesley,Ty and Alex, I am so sorry for you loss. She was a precious young girl.
She gave you many wonderful days. You can remember them always.
I was going to the funeral home. I just did not feel well enough to go. You know I love you all. You are in my prayers. She is with Jesus, and happy,no sorrow there. You will see her again.
Love you all,
Audrene

Audrene Territo & Jo Ann - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss. We did not have the pleasure of meeting Tory. We have been told stories about her life. We cannot imagine what you are going though. We will continue to pray for Robyn, Joe, Ty, Alex and Carmen that God will give you strength to overcome this. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Byron and Cynthia Joyner - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I am so very sorry for your loss..Your daughter was a beautiful and strong girl who was loved my many..May god bless you during this tough time..She will never be forgotten.

Melinda Ferguson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ TO THE KITTRELS, CANTUS AND BLUE FAMILIES...OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO ALL OF YOU DURING THIS TIME.TORY WAS A STRONG YOUNG LADY AND FOUGHT THE "THE FIGHT". BUT JESUS CHRIST NEEDED HER AND NOW SHE IS RESTING CALMLY. GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU IN HIS LOVING ARMS....JERRY AND YVONNE

jerry and yvonne williamson - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ I had the opportunity to meet this special young lady when she was cheering at DCI. She was such a joy to be around and she loved people. She could light up a room with her smile! Robyn, I just want you to know that I am constantly lifting you and the entire family in prayer. Although Tory is no longer physically here, she is forever in the hearts of the thousands that joined her in her fight!

Patricia Newsome Daniels - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. No words can heal your pain right now, but know that she was loved and that she loved you, as her parents and that thought, will eventually give you some peace, with time.

Shannon Hutchins - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM