



David A. Horbert

March 17, 1965 - December 29, 2011

Mr. David A. Horbert, Age 46 of Maitland, Passed Away Thursday, December 29, 2011. He was born March 17, 1965 in Asheville, North Carolina. A Memorial Service will be held 2:00 P.M. Monday, January 2, 2012 at the Asbury United Methodist Church, Outdoor Chapel. 22 W. Horatio, Maitland, Florida 32751. Arrangements entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, Maitland Chapel. Please view and sign the guestbook at www.degusipefuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

MW

“ From the first time I met Dave, I could tell there was something special about him. One of our first conversations was about what else, his family. How very proud and lucky he was to be blessed with the "greatest" wife and kids. The consummate husband, father and friend. Would give the shirt off his back to help anyone because that was just his nature. Always a smile, handshake and/or hug and usually all at the same time. While I will sorely miss our frequent talks and "meetings", I will cherish the many memories we had and the times we spent together. My "Big Buddy" will always be in my heart. My deepest thoughts and prayers are with you Cheryl, Jacqueline, Amanda and Ben. I love you all

Mark Whitley

Mark Whitley - January 24, 2012 at 11:53 AM

SH

“ I've always considered David as my baby brother and I know I was considered as an older sister to him. We spent a lot of growing up time together in Asheville and Florida because Yolanda and Vera were sisters and the best of friends. I was only 5 when I took my first plane ride to NC with my mom (Yolanda) so she could take care of Vera after having this baby boy! We spent a lot of time growing up together and had a lot of fun too! David loved to tease me (being his sister and a girl helped that along!) He would put harmless snakes in the pool while I was swimming just to scare the crap out of me! That was just one of many ways to torment me! I loved him so much though...we had such a great relationship. As we got older the distance and time could pass by, but whenever we spoke or saw each other again we always felt strongly connected once more...I still feel as though he will ALWAYS be with me until the day I see him once again. To the Horbert family...God's peace be with you as with all family and friends who knew him..and remember that David is always with us and we will NEVER forget him,,,My love, Sandy Horbert - Heins xxoo

Sandra J Heins - January 19, 2012 at 10:18 PM

CS

“ Thank you for sharing this link! David was certainly a blessing to many. He was a very special part of my life growing up...much more "big brother" than uncle. I have so many sweet summertime memories from summers in Fla and even earlier memories from Alpine Way in Asheville. I remember Noni (Vera) holding me up in the kitchen window as I cried, watching Dave get on the school bus. And again in the afternoon for the long anticipated homecoming. It makes me think of what a sweet homecoming it must have been for Noni & Grandpa, and our Heavenly Father to welcome David with open arms to his true home.

~"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables Him to bring everything under His control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like His glorious body. Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and my crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!" ~Philippians 3:20-4:1

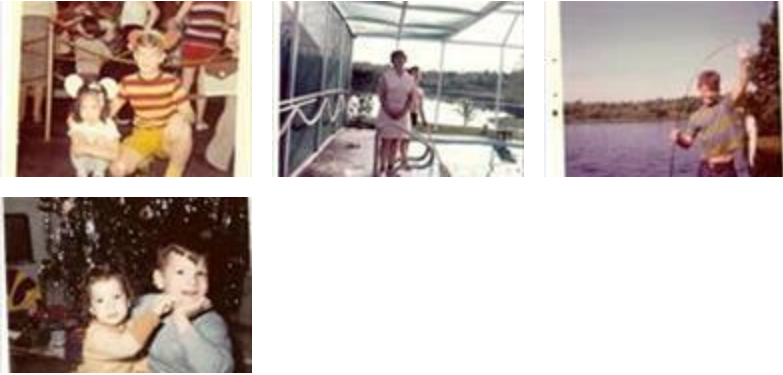
Cheryl, Jacqueline, Amanda & Ben... My heart is broken for your loss. I know that the weeks and days leading up to David's death were filled with both joy and heartache, hope and fear. I know that each of you must be exhausted and saddened beyond words. Please know that you are not alone. So many people were touched by David's sweet spirit and are grieving with you now...with you and for you. Please know that you are LOVED and covered in prayer. I pray for a peace and comfort so great that it can only come from our Lord and Savior...how else does one travel such a difficult road? I pray that you feel the Lord's healing presence and that sweet memories of your husband & father will restore your joy and comfort you during this most difficult time.

~"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." ~Psalm 147:3

We love you!

Christy Freeborn Shurtleff & the Shurtleff Boys

I hope to be able to attach & share some of my favorite photos from my own childhood photo album..



Christy Freeborn Shurtleff - January 13, 2012 at 10:41 AM



Christy, I did not know this was out there, but thank you for the pictures. We have many from Dad's childhood but I have not seen these.

Jacqueline Hetherington - September 21, 2015 at 05:18 PM

CT

“ David was an amazing man. His family meant everything to him and it showed greatly. He had a loving heart and always open arms. He made you feel very welcome at all times. David was a wonderful listener and was always there to comfort others. David will always be remembered and will always be loved. I'm sad that he is no longer here with us, but rejoicing that he is with our Father in Heaven dancing and laughing with Noni-Vera and Grandpa. I am blessed and proud to have had you as my uncle. I love you David. You are now surrounded by the love and peace never experienced on earth! I will see you soon. Embrace His love.

Charity Freeborn Trostel

Charity Diane Trostel - January 11, 2012 at 01:21 PM

BB

“ Cheryl, Ben, Jacqueline, Amanda, and family. While I never really got to know David, the devotion you all showed to him was wonderful evidence of the man he was. Anyone who could be loved the way he is must have been a wonderful man. I was blessed to get to spend time with you in the Family Room and appreciate your open hearts as you went through such a trying time. Please know that you are in my prayers.

Barbara Barnard - January 10, 2012 at 10:09 AM

JJ

“ Ben, please forgive me...I wrote the previous post at 1am and meant to include your name in it..my brain is not focused as well as it should be these days...I added the picture of you and your dad from when you went hunting. We will always remember that visit and the time we spent with you and David. We love you so very much! Judy and Hugh

judy jennings - January 10, 2012 at 12:08 AM

JJ

“ David will always be loved, always be remembered, and always in our hearts. So blessed to have the times and memories spent with him to hold onto. Cheryl, Jacqueline, and Amanda, we love you all so very much!
Judy and Hugh

judy jennings - January 10, 2012 at 12:03 AM

JJ

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judy jennings - January 09, 2012 at 11:59 PM

SC

“ *You and I will meet again,
When we're least expecting it,
One day in some far off place,
I will recognize your face,
I won't say goodbye my friend,
For you and I will meet again.*

Dave you will be missed my friend, you left us all too soon. My heart goes out to your family. Say hello to my wife Stephanie for me.

Sheldon Chang - January 09, 2012 at 09:10 PM



“ 1 Samuel 20:42

Jonathan said to David, “Go in peace, for we have sworn friendship with each other in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘The LORD is witness between you and me, and between your descendants and my descendants forever.’”

“We cannot tell the exact moment a friendship is formed; as in filling a vessel drop by drop, there is at last a drop which makes it run over; so in a series of kindnesses, there is at last one that makes the heart run over.”

Henri Nouwen

If you're alone, I'll be your shadow. If you want to cry, I'll be your shoulder. If you want a hug, I'll be your pillow. If you need to be happy, I'll be your smile. But anytime you need a friend, I'll just be me. ~Author Unknown

Words that remind me of my friend:

Grizzly bear

Mischievous

Larger than life

Well known

Jack Daniels

Beer buddy

Story teller

Listener

Pensive

Hugger

At ease

Unassuming

Humble

Comforting

Welcoming

Gracious

*Appreciative
Friend
Teddy bear*

My final message to Dave:

I know our friendship will be forever. The day I began thinking of you as family

We didn't question whether or not we'll be there for each other - we just trusted.

We've discovered a kinship- a bond linking our families no matter where we go

Or what we do. We have never been without each other's loyalty, support and caring. That is friendship at its best. Friendship that most people experience once or twice in a life time if they are lucky . I, without question am one of the lucky ones because in you friend and family have come to mean the same.

Much love to David, Cheryl and wonderful children from your life brother- Joe

Joseph Savoie-Greene - January 06, 2012 at 04:45 PM

WJ

“ *The Horbert family has been, and will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. May your memories of Dave help you find solace in the grief you are going through. Sometimes words are not enough, just know you are loved and prayers are with you. The Jennings Family --- Burlington*



Willie Jennings - January 02, 2012 at 06:19 PM

TB

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers during this time and glad Dave knew Christ in his walk in life. My favorite memory of Dave happens to be in high school where my parents named him "Bird Bath Boy". After a rowdy night with the boys our bird bath ended up in the tree in front of the house. The next day Dave came back and apologized and retrieved the bird bath from the branches...



Theresa and Mac Bledsoe - January 02, 2012 at 12:30 PM

GB

Let the grief be the measure of God's gift that Dave was while he was with us. The loss we feel is the measure of what we had as well as what we will miss. Praise God for the gift that Dave was to us all.

George & Jean Beatty

George & Jean Beatty - January 09, 2012 at 11:34 PM



Theresa and Mac, that is a very funny story. I did not know this page was out there and it was so nice to read something funny about our dad who I know was full of energy and fun.

Jacqueline Hetherington - September 21, 2015 at 05:23 PM