



## Mark C. Caffee

June 11, 2011

Mark C. Caffee, 42, passed away suddenly on Saturday, June 11, 2011. He was a life-long resident of Chesapeake and a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Mark was a 1987 graduate of Western Branch High School, and a graduate of Virginia Wesleyan College. He was employed by Grainger Industrial Supply as a government sales representative for over 20 years. Mark was very active in his children's lives and coached many of their sport teams. Through coaching, he touched the lives of many other children. He was an active member of Western Branch Athletic Club, where he coached and also served as the commissioner of Baseball for several years.

Mark was predeceased by his father, Gerald H. Caffee. He is survived by his wife, Theresa; children, Christopher, Peyton, and Ashley; mother, Jo Ann Caffee; brother, Scott Caffee and his wife, Jennifer Caffee and their children, Tyler and Madison; his mother-in-law, Amy Fox; aunts, Jane Skelton and Sue Spring; uncle, Wayne Caffee and wife, Sharon; and many other loving and devoted family members and friends.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Aldersgate United Methodist Church officiated by Rev. David Drinkard. The burial will follow at Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made at any TowneBank location, for the Caffee

Children.

# Tribute Wall



“ I taught Mark at WBHS back in the mid 1980's. When Theresa came to work at the school, I was so surprised that Mark had calmed down, quit acting so silly, and married such a wonderful girl.

Mark is a success story because of his genial demeanor that got him through all of his hard work. This kind, sweet, funny attitude is what made Mark touch so many lives. I heard there were around 300 people at his gathering.

Mark didn't realize all of the lives he had touched, and we will carry his touch in our hearts everyday.##imported-begin##Patricia C. Archibald##imported-end##

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July 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I just found out and I am so shocked and saddened by Mark's passing. Mark and I hung out together in high school and had many good times together. I'll never forget his falling off the railing on the 2nd floor of a cottage in Nags Head, landing square on his knees. We all thought he was covered in blood and it turned out to be red price tag stickers from a grocery store he had stuck to his shirt. I haven't seen him in years but thinking of him still makes me smile. Always good-natured and fun, like the big brother though he was a year younger I never had. Theresa, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Steve Latham##imported-end##

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June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Theresa, I was saddened to hear of Mark's passing. You and your family are in my thoughts at this most difficult time. May the good memories you and your family have of him sustain you through these times.##imported-begin##Marvin Fanny##imported-end##

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June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Theresa and Kids, I am so sorry for your loss. Mark was such an incredible man and will be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. My fondest memories of Mark are when he would be talking about his family. You could not be in a conversation with Mark for more than a couple minutes when his eyes would light up telling you what his kids were up too. I always admired his devotion to you and the kids. Mark's passion and energy for everything he did was catagious. He always lit up a room when he came in with his enthusiasm for life. I will truly miss him.##imported-begin##Mark Snead##imported-end##

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June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Theresa and family,  
I offer my condolences for your tremendous loss. Mark was a great guy, that I had the privilege of meeting in kindergarten. Mark has always been the life of the party, with a heart of gold. He was a fantastic coach and role model for every child he coached. Please cherish all of the wonderful memories of your husband/dad because he was a truly great person. God bless!##imported-begin##Kim Aston##imported-end##

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June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Theresa,  
I am sorry and shock to hear of the loss of your husband Mark, this brings back the memories of your Dad, I am keeping you, your children and your Mom  
in all my prayers, May peace and strenght of God fill all your hearts at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Tammie Lewis##imported-end##

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“ I am a grandmother of one of the girls on 14U STING TEAM. I was there the day all this happened. You don't know me but my heart goes out to you and your family. Just remember, his body maybe gone but his soul still lives, and thats the part that God sees and the part you feel. I will say a prayer for you and your family.##imported-begin##Bonnie Byrum##imported-end##

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June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Theresa,  
I am so sorry and shocked to hear of your loss. This brings back memories of your dad and I can't believe it happened to you too. Please know that you and your mom are in my thoughts and prayers. Again, I am so very sorry for you all.##imported-begin##Anne Lewis##imported-end##

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“ Theresa,  
I am so sorry to hear of Mark's sudden passing. My thoughts and prayers have been with you and your children every minute since I heard the devastating news. I KNOW you will find strength that you never knew you had to get through this. My heart aches for you and your family but having been through this only time will help you heal. Please believe that. I will continue to pray for you and your family.##imported-begin##Shannon M Brett##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Mark was a fixture at the ball field and his presence will be greatly missed. If my family can do anything, please don't hesitate to call on us.##imported-begin##Alan & Julie McPherson##imported-end##

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“ To Mrs Caffee, this is Brandy Ruffin former student from your marketing class at Lakeland High School. Sorry to her about Mr Caffee, I broke down in tears when I saw the article in the newspaper. I said I use to babysit for him. Your family is in my prayers. I know the kids dont remember but tell them I said Hello! Heaven just received a good man!##imported-begin##Brandy Ruffin-Hayden##imported-end##

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“ I am so deeply saddened by the loss of a truly good man. I have had the pleasure of working with Mark over many years as he had served Jefferson Laboratory account. In addition being a baseball man myself as a coach, and now an umpire, I will miss the stories that Mark and myself had shared over the years. My prayers are with all of his family and friends.##imported-begin##DannyLloyd##imported-end##

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“ Dear Caffee Family,

*I am deeply saddened by the sudden passing of Mark. He was a genuine friend, and will be missed by everyone he crossed paths with. My prayers are with him and with those he left behind.*

*Sincerely,##imported-begin##Tyler Wilson##imported-end##*

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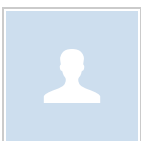
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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Joel Cocks##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss and you and your family are in my prayers##imported-begin##Lori Martin##imported-end##

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“ *Teressa, we were saddened to hear of Mark's passing. You and your children are in our prayers. May God give you and your family the comfort you need in this time of your lives.##imported-begin##Ed and Cheryl Sawyer##imported-end##*

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“ *Mark's bright smile, warm heart, and incredible sense of humor will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.##imported-begin##Leigh Anne Dailey##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Theresa and children,  
We were all so saddened to hear of your loss sudden this week. We have heard so many wonderful things about your husband/dad. All of us will continue to keep you and your family in our prayers. With heartfelt sympathy,  
Bernie & Linda Sherbinsky  
Jeff & Ashley Sherbinsky  
Ann-Marie & Wesley Bynym##imported-begin##Sherbinsky  
Family##imported-end##*

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“ Our heartfelt sympathies are sent to Mark's immediate and extended families. Please know you are all in our prayers. May comfort and peace that surpasses all understanding fill you as you struggle to make sense of Mark's passing.

Sincerely,

Curtis, Cindee and family###imported-begin##Curtis and Cindee Hawkins###imported-end##

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“ Theresa, I know you were flooded with people expressing their sorrow over Mark's death at the funeral home. Realizing it would be 9:15 p.m. before I would ever reach you, I've opted to sign the guestbook. The PTSA at the High School remembers you in our thoughts and prayers. Our prayer is that you and the children find comfort, strength, encouragement, hope, and the sustaining presence of the Spirit in these difficult days. Grace and Peace, Larry Coleman, PTSA President###imported-begin##Larry Coleman###imported-end##

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“ God gave us memories so that we may have Roses in December. Theresa, Chris, Peyton & Ashley  
This is your December, however Marks roses will live on through his family and through the Western Branch Community. He touched the lifes of so many people. He will truly be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you in the many days that follow.###imported-begin##Kevin aka Shrek & Robert Lowe Peter, Lisa Jaz P'ter & Michael Campbell###imported-end##

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“ Dear Caffee Family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Hold on tight to each other. Reach out to others. You have a large support system out there. God bless you.##imported-begin##Judy Foy##imported-end##

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“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. The thoughts of many are with you at this time of sorrow. Mark served Jefferson Lab faithfully and we will truly miss working with him and his friendship.

Jefferson Lab Procurement Department##imported-begin##Renee Carter##imported-end##

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“ Theresa, Christopher, Peyton and Ashley,  
We marvel at Mark’s love and passion for baseball. He unknowingly touched hundreds of lives with his dedication of time, hard work and wisdom of the sport.

The best gift his team could have given Mark was to give him one of the greatest games to coach for his last game&hellip;and in the 10th inning, they did!

What a great loss not only to all the extended baseball families but to our community as well.

Our Western Branch community will be with you by body or spirit, praying for you silently and aloud. May you find comfort in this in the days to come.

Our sincerest condolences to your family.  
Neil & Donna, Jack and Michael Wolfe##imported-begin##The Wolfe Family##imported-end##

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“ Theresa, I am very shocked and sad to hear of Mark's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the children. I just saw Mark at the store about a month ago. Though we never stayed in touch after high school, I remember how he always had a way to make everyone laugh. Hold onto those happy memories.##imported-begin##Brian Beregszazy##imported-end##

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“ Theresa:

*I wanted to tell you that I am truly sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Chrisanna McKinney##imported-begin##Chrisanna McKinney##imported-end##*

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“ Mark touched the lives of so many people - his family, friends, coworkers, and customers. He always found a bright spot to every situation. He will be desparately missed. My heart and prayers go out to Mark's family and friends.##imported-begin##Evelyn Ludford - GE Lighting##imported-end##

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“ Ashley and family  
*Many thoughts and prayers to you and your family during this difficult time. I will always remember your dads passion for the game he showed while at practice in the fall. Hugs to you##imported-begin##Shelli and Maddi Brown##imported-end##*

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“ Theresa,

*I just wanted you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Kim Stanley##imported-begin##Kim Stanley##imported-end##*

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“ Theresa- Elizabeth and I are sorry to hear about Mark's passing. I enjoyed getting to know Mark better, the last few years with helping out at the ballfield. We are praying for you, Chris, Payton, and Ashley during this time.##imported-begin##mark&elizabeth ragsdale##imported-end##

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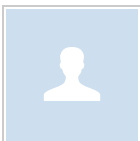
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“ To the Caffee family&hellip; please accept our condolences and prayers. Lil-Mike had never had pitching lessons and your husband/dad gave my son a pitching practice rag and routines to follow. My wife always check on Lil-Mike each night and tonight he had fell asleep with that rag in his bed. I guess what I am trying to say is&hellip; Mark Caffee left behind a piece of him in all that knew him. He will be missed but never forgotten. Love the Everett&rsquo;s!##imported-begin##The Everett Family##imported-end##

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“ Theresa,

Mark was a wonderful person. He will be missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your children.##imported-begin##Terrie Lee##imported-end##

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“ Joann, Theresa, Scott, Christopher, Peyton, Ashley there are no words to fully express my feelings for your lose except, "GOD GOT A GOOD ONE". The thing I'll always remember was that Mark always had a smile on his face. I know he was a GREAT son, brother, husband, father, an asset to the community and a believer in WB Baseball and all the children that played the game. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Avis H. Sparrer##imported-end##

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“ Theresa and family

You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Mark was a great person. He was always there when you needed him. He will forever be in our hearts.##imported-begin##stacie combs##imported-end##

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“ The passing of Mark caught everyone off guard. He was a great coach and mentor in the Western Branch community to many, many kids. Although I live in Deep Creek I always enjoyed tournament time when we traveled to Western Branch and got to see Mark's teams play. You will be dearly missed. The community has lost a great man. My deepest condolences. Dave Koontz and family.##imported-begin##Dave Koontz##imported-end##

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“ Caffee family,

*We were shocked and saddened to hear of your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers right now. Trust in the Lord and look to him. He will hold you in his hands to see you through this time.*

*Ron, Reagan, Noah, Sean & Jacob##imported-begin##Tieskoetter family##imported-end##*

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“ JoAnn, we were both shocked and saddened to hear about Mark. Although neither of us ever met him, I feel as though I knew him through our conversations over the years. I cannot imagine your grief or the grief of his family but please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. God bless you all.##imported-begin##Ed & Eileen Frost##imported-end##

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“ I am deeply saddened by the sudden death of Mark. I'm proud to have known such a kind, warm and brilliant person. My prayers and thoughts are with him and with those he left behind.

*With sincere condolences,  
Tom##imported-begin##Tom Lampman##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Caffee Family,  
My family lifts you all in prayer & know you’re in our thoughts and our sincere condolences are with you.*

*Cecil, Sherry, Brittany , and Hailee Jennings  
Jennings Family*

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“ *Mark was a great man, coach, father and friend and has made an impact on each one of our lives. The Selby family feels very honored to be able to say that he was a dear close friend. We are also very thankful for all of the great memories we have had. We are here for you and anything you need. We will continue to pray for you. Love, Stefan, Christie, Colin, & Chandler  
The Selbys*

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I met Mark through my daughter, Tiffany when they worked together at the Granger store at Langley AFB. Mark was a great mentor for Tiffany and every time I saw him he always had a smile and a friendly word for everyone. Please know that you are in our hearts and prayers and try to remember the good times and love shared with Mark and this will help to get you through this.  
Sherry Allen*

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“ We are so sorry to hear of Mark's sudden passing. Although we had not seen you guys recently, we will always remember the many good times that we had in the past. Theresa our thoughts and prayers are with you and the kids.

Stacy, Shelley, Jamie and Madison##imported-begin##The Armentrouts##imported-end##

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“ Dear Jo Ann, we were saddened to hear about the loss of your son, Mark. Please know that you and Mark's wife, children, and family are in our thoughts and prayers. Anna, Artie, AJ, and Alex Kay##imported-begin##Anna Kay##imported-end##

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“ Dear Theresa, Chris, Peyton, & Ashley,

Mark was an incredible man and will be greatly missed by so many. We feel very fortunate to have known such a tremendous father, mentor, and coach. His impact upon this community will last for years to come. We so admired Mark's positive demeanor and his deep commitment to his family as well as the the youth of Western Branch. May the positive memories you have of him sustain you through these difficult times. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Les, Amy, Garrett & Trent##imported-begin##The Jones Family##imported-end##

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“ I will always remember Mark for his genuine smile, quick wit, and as the person who introduced me to my wife and mother of my children. Many truly great memories of fun times boating and taking ski trips. I pray for strength and peace for the Caffee family.##imported-begin##Kenny Casper##imported-end##

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“ We are so very sorry for your loss. We had only just recently met Mark through the Lady Bombers family, but found him to be such a wonderful person who truly cared about his family and the kids he was working with. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this very difficult time.

*The Conner Family*

*Chris, Mandi, Christopher and Maddi##imported-begin##The Conner Family##imported-end##*

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“ He will always be Coach Caffee to Harry and he played a central role in teaching Harry not just about baseball but about life. Harry is a better player thanks to Mark, but more importantly, a better person. All of you remains in our thoughts and prayers. -- Vicki, Mike, Harry and Ben##imported-begin##Vicki Friedman##imported-end##

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“ Dear Theresa & family~  
We are thinking of you and praying for your family.

Marie, Frank & Ella Bogue###imported-begin##Marie  
Bogue###imported-end##

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“ Theresa and family, my thoughts and prayers go out to you at this  
sad time. May God watch over each of you. Mark will be greatly  
missed by so many great friends.###imported-begin##Sandra  
Mason###imported-end##

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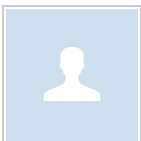
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“ Theresa, Chris, Peyton, and Ashley -  
We still can not believe that this has happened. Please know that  
even though we are in Richmond, we are still here for all of you and  
love you very much. You are in our thoughts and prayers everyday.  
Mark was an amazing man, husband, and father and he will be  
missed. Our love to all four of you.###imported-begin##Lee, PJ,  
Hannah, Peyton, and Avery West###imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you all.###imported-  
begin##Linda Jones###imported-end##

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“ Please accept our deepest sorrow for Marks passing. Why must the young be called first. We believe there is a greater need. Know Mark and Jerry will always be close by your side.##imported-begin##Dave and Tanya Niles##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers and love go out to you and your family. We pray God gives you strength and comfort during your time of need. We are part of your Bomber family. Aloha.....##imported-begin##The Bailey Family##imported-end##

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“ Theresa, Christopher, Peyton, Ashley, Ms. Fox and Ms. Caffee, Words can never express how sad our family is for your loss. What does one say? None of us truly knows. We can only speak from our hearts and do our best to be there for all of you now and always. How lucky we all are to have laughed, loved and cried with a such a wonderful man.  
We all have different memories of Mark - "Batman" birthday parties, broken sunglasses on the pinto field, slipping in the mud on our front walkway and most of all the wonderful sound of his voice as he yelled "Little Younk" to one of the boys.  
We love Mark and we love all of you deeply.

David, Dawn, Nicholas, Jeffrey, Austin and Landon##imported-begin##Dawn Younkins##imported-end##

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“ Theresa, Chris, Peyton and Ashley,

*Our sincerest condolences to you. Mark was a terrific teacher and mentor to all the young people who had the privilege to know, and especially play, for him. The thoughts and hearts of our family are with yours, and we will lift you all up in prayer for the Lord to ease your pain in this hour of your need.*

*Blessings,*

*Jeff, Adam and Patrick McAlhaney ##imported-begin##McAlhaney Family##imported-end##*

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“ On behalf of Deep Creek Baseball Association i would like to paas along my condolences to Mark's family. I know that he will be miesed in many places especially at home. I also know that as the PONY tournament season approaches that there will be conversations all over Tidewater about Mark. There will be many stories shared that will bring back wonderful memories of a wonderful man. Thank you Mark for all that you did for the kids of PONY baseball, Respectfully Derek M Bennett, Commissioner, Deep Creek Baseball Association.##imported-begin##Derek Bennett##imported-end##

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“ Dearest Theresa,

*I've started this message several times and can't seem to find the right words to say that fully express how stunned and saddened we are. Please know that my heart is truly broken at the sudden loss of 'our' Mark. Yes, we all feel like he belonged to us; our Community Leader, our Community 'Dad'. He went out of his way on numerous occasions for my family, for me professionally, and for my son. With his quick smile and easy demeanor, Mark will be sorely missed in our lives. Our prayers are with and for you, Theresa. Please keep your hand in GOD's hand and HE will carry, comfort and keep you in this difficult time.*

*With Sincere Condolences,  
Robert, Tina, Raven and Justin Hayes  
Western Branch###imported-begin##Tina Hayes###imported-end##*

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“ *I was completely heart broken to hear the news of Mark passing...He is one of the few that always believed in me. I knew I could always turn to him for help with anything. I have worked with him for 13 years...he made sure that every day he checked on me when I lost my father...he will be truly missed...my days will never be the same....Theresa, Chris, Peyton,Ashley and the rest of the family you are in my thoughts and prayers...###imported-begin##Tiffany Whitford###imported-end##*

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“ *Mark Caffee,  
Not only a great husband,father, and friend but a father figure to  
many,many children including my own. Thanks for all you have ever  
done. The memories will last forever.We will miss you  
dearly!!###imported-begin###Donnie Mason###imported-end##*

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“ *Wishing you our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. My  
son Hunter and I became very fond of Mark and Peyton over the  
years we faced them on the ballfield. Mark always took the time  
either before or after games to spend time with us. His genuine  
smile and kind words meant alot to me and my son. We will miss  
him very much, I know the Western Branch baseball organization  
will miss him deeply.  
Keeping you and your family in our prayers,  
David and Hunter Peck###imported-begin###David Peck###imported-  
end##*

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“ Theresa, I am so sorry to hear of Mark's sudden passing. It was such a shock and very sad to hear. You and all your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I was as sad as Christie as she was telling me. I just saw him in April. I know I didn't know him as long or as well but that's the thing that was so great about him. You only had to meet him once to know what a great man he was. He loved his family and his extended family of all those boys he has coached. I know Colin and Chandler loved him very much and will miss him. Call on your friends and family to help you get through this trying time. Your children can be so proud of their dad and how much he was loved. What a role model for them to strive to be. Sincerely, Linda Nagy-Christie's mom##imported-begin##Linda Nagy##imported-end##

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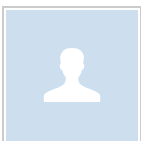
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“ teresa you and your children are in our thoughts and prayers. please know that you are all loved and cared for. mark was a great friend, father and husband.##imported-begin##rhonda coleman##imported-end##

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“ My thought and prayer are with all of you in this time of sorrow. I knew all of you when Peyton and Ashely were small and staying at my sister's, Margie house. I will keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##carol atkins johnson##imported-end##

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