



Russell A. McMillion Jr.

November 11, 1953 - January 7, 2007

Russell A. McMillion Jr., 53, went to be with the Lord on Jan 7, 2007. He was born to Russell A. McMillion Sr. and Norma L. McMillion.

Mr. McMillion is survived by his mother, Norma; wife, April; 2 daughter, Christina and Rebecca; 3 sons, Michael, Russell and Alvin; 7 grandchildren, Briana, Thomas Jr., Joseph, Makayla, Elise, Tommy and Abigail; 5 sisters, Peachy Nelson, Anna Loving Wolff, Diana Kallenberger, Donna Rice, and Joan Bell; 3 brothers, Bob McMillion , Ronnie McMillion , Donnie McMillion and a life-long friend, Ronnie Foreman. Mr. McMillion was predeceased by his sister, Phyllis Queen.

A funeral service will be held at 1 pm. Friday at Faith Alive Church by Rev. Shannon, with burial at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends in Loving Funeral Home Chapel, Thursday from 6:30-8:00 pm.

Tribute Wall



“ *Funny thing, I got the desire to sit and read all of the posts that were written about you. Cried and laughed all at the same time. Brought back lots of good memories! You were an awesome son, brother, wife, dad, uncle, papa and friend! Not too many people can leave their earthly body with a legacy such as that! Words can't describe how much you are loved and missed. You leaving this earth has left a huge gap in our family that can never be filled, but knowing that your smiling face will be one of the first things that we see when we join you is a blessing that we all look forward to! Love you BIG brother and may you continue to rest in peace!*

Love from your baby sister,

Joany Bell###imported-begin##Joany###imported-end##

March 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Russell,*

You have been on my mind alot lately,must be that time of year, we had some snow this year.You are definitely a big loss to the whole family.We all miss you very much. Not a day goes by that your name is not mentioned. I know you are in a better place, but we still miss you. You were the best big brother a sister could ask for.You will always be in our hearts. Love and miss you dearly.

You are still my big handsome brother. Love and miss you lots.

Your Sister,

Anna###imported-begin##Anna Wolff###imported-end##

March 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I do not think I really knew who you were, yet I remember so many that painted a happy picture. I wonder if anyone really knew the real you. Time will time my friend, time will tell. I think you owe your family some apologies.....##imported-begin##Boogie##imported-end##

August 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell
Here it is again 07 January, where does time go? I cannot believe it has been two years since I saw my Big Handsome Brother. Russell you are truley missed.
Not a day goes by that you are not on my mine. I still see that sneaky smile of yours. All of the holidays are over, you missed them again.
I missed you terribly, you will always be here in my heart.

Love and miss you

Your Sister

Anna##imported-begin##Anna##imported-end##

January 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell,
Here it is again. That BIG important HOLIDAY.YOUR
BIRTHDAYtomorrow. You have been very much on my mind lately.
How many times do I think about calling you, when something
happens.Good or bad.
You would be 55 tomorrow, and you are truly missed. I wish I could
call you and sing Happy Birthday to you.
Russell you are still my big handsome brother and I love and miss
you dearly. Here comes the Holidays again and you missed the Big
election.
Happy Birthday

Love You and miss you.

Your sister
Anna Mae###imported-begin##Anna Wolff##imported-end##

November 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell,
The last time I saw your Handsome Smiling Face was Christmas Day. I can still see you sitting at Joany's dining room table. I didn't know that would be the last time I would see you. I miss you more than I ever thought possible. Now it is January 7th again, you left us a year ago tonight, where did time go? You have been in my thoughts alot lately, I know you are in a better place, but that doesn't stop the pain and loss. That is what gets us all thru this. Keep looking down on all of us. We were all concerned a little about Mom, you know it was really rough on her. Just know we all love you and miss you more than you would of even thought possible. You are still my Big Handsome Brother. Sometimes I just think you are in Baltimore working, that makes it easier to deal with. Russell you will never be forgotten, you will always be in our hearts. We miss and love you dearly.

*Your Sister,
Anna Mae###imported-begin##Anna Wolff###imported-end##*

January 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell,
*What a year! It seems like it has been a lifetime since the last time that I saw you, but just yesterday that I got that horrible phone call. I miss you more than I ever thought possible. I think about you every day. It was hard to celebrate the Christmas Holidays without you at mom's. There will always be that missing link in our family chain. May you rest in peace big brother and know that you will always be missed!
Love from your sister,
Joany###imported-begin##Joany Bell###imported-end##*

January 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad,

One year to the date and yet the memory of all that has occurred seems so fresh. It is good to see that others continue to come and honor your memory, this is a true mark of those who had a great impact in other's lives. I love you!##imported-begin##Michael Fiala##imported-end##

January 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad, It's almost been a year and I still can't believe you are gone. I just wonder why it hasn't gotten any easier yet. I miss you more and more as time goes by. So much has happened in 2007. I just wish you could've been here to see it. I love and miss you so much!##imported-begin##Crissy##imported-end##

January 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell,

*Here it is Christmas Eve, the Holidays that I so much dreaded because you are not here with us. I wasn't much into making fudge this year, until I realized you would have wanted me to. We miss you so much. It won't be the same without your smiling handsome face. I know you would want us to go on without you, so we will make the best of it. Just know you are in our thoughts. I know you and all of the rest of the family are all looking down on us all year long, but more so over the Holidays, that's what will get us all thru Christmas and the New Year. I miss my Big Handsome Brother.
Love You,
Your Sister,
Anna Mae##imported-begin##Anna Mae Wolff##imported-end##*

December 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ It's hard to believe that last Christmas was the last time that I saw you. Although it is easy to celebrate the spirit of the season, it is going to be hard not to have you at mom's house on Christmas Eve. Who will guard the fudge this year? You are missed more than you know. There are times that I just sit and cry. I still can't believe that my **BIG BROTHER** is not here anymore. I miss you so much!!
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Love you very much,

Joany###imported-begin##Joany Bell###imported-end##

December 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell, I just wanted to wish you a Happy Birthday. Mom and myself went to see you today, we took out a few balloons, I started to sing Happy Birthday to you, like I did every year, but I was afraid that you would laugh and I would cry.
Russell I don't know where time goes, but it has been a little over ten months, since I seen your smiling handsome face. I can close my eyes and see you, but it is not the same, as seeing it for real. All of the Holidays are coming up now, and you will be missed more than ever. I wanted to do something for you, but really didn't get a chance, wanted to write something nice and put your handsome picture in the paper for your **BIG 54TH Birthday**. We love you and miss you very, very much. You will always be in our hearts. There is not a day goes by, that you are not missed in some kind of way. I miss my big brother.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHER

Love You,
Your Sister

Anna Mae###imported-begin##Anna M. Wolff###imported-end##

November 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“Dad, I had a dream about you the other day. To be perfectly honest I do not remember all the details, which took place in my dream, however, it was a dream that brought great encouragement. In the dream, I forget what was taking place I was in a room looking over some type of paperwork when you walked in. I was in shock because even in my dream I knew that you were no longer with us physically, but there you were alive. I am not sure how our conversation started once you walked in the room; what I do remember though was that you had a message for me. You had told me that you made it! You stated, "Though I am dead in this body my spirit made it to God." I could sense the silence of the moment because it was such a relief for me to hear those words. Anyhow, as the dream went along you had pointed out to me your body in the grave and told me you were so glad to get rid of that old worn out body and were glad that God gave you a new one. It was then that I woke up!

Dad, I am not sure if you believe in dreams very much, but I was taught a few years back that God speaks through dreams. Let me just say, I was glad that I had this dream because here recently I began to question whether or not you really made the decision to turn your back on the word and commit your life to Jesus. I was beginning to feel a little fearful, because what if you did not make it to where God is and you stood in His judgment? My heart could not take it; gratefully I had this dream! To be rather frank with you Dad, there were so many times when Mom, Mary, others and myself tried to show you to Christ but you rejected him. I am happy that God was patient with you and waited until you were at your weakest for you to be able to finally call out to him. I wish it did not have to be this way, yet I am grateful that it happens because I believe it saved your soul.

Last night I celebrated my 27th birthday at PF Changs, the food was fabulous! In the middle of dinner at looked at mom and made the comment, "There were three people missing from the table." You were one of them! The first time in my life I did not have my father

*for my birthday. It was a somber moment. Anyhow, I love you and I miss you. I have been thinking about you immensely here lately. Life must go and I look forward to seeing you again. Love,
Michael###imported-begin##Michael###imported-end##*

September 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad,

I miss you! I do wonder what you are doing with yourself these days? Did you ever have those moments where you wanted to say something, yet you have no ideal how to articulate in such a way that your words would have the impact you had hope for? You know Dad I wonder at times what life would have been like if we would not hidden behind our fears. You might be thinking what in the world are you talking about son? Let me explain. Why was it so hard to have a relationship with you in the earlier parts of my life, yet in the end I loved you like no other!

There is this feeling inside of me that that causes my stomach to go into turmoil because there should have been so much more to life that what we experienced as father and son. I wonder what life would have been like if we would have moved to Baltimore or maybe if you would have for once in your life said no to your loyalty! Do you know what I admire about you that I wish every person in the word would actually grab with their own lives. That loyalty is what life is about!!!! Don't get me wrong love is a great thing, but to remain loyal that takes almost an act of God in most peoples lives yet you dad displayed that in your life. If there is one trait I could have that you had it would be this one. Though you were human and merely a man, your trait of loyalty is what attractted people to you. WHy? Because it is loyalty that causes us to trust, even when we do not understand!

Now let me get back to what I started with earlier in my entry. Why were we so afraid to engage each other when it could have drawn us closer to what we were called to be? There will be a day when we will stand before God together and I am going to request that you answer that! You know what my answer is? I was scarred about how you would feel about me. There you have it!!! Well dad, I must go now but I love you with all my heart!!!!

Michael###imported-begin##Michael###imported-end##

August 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad,

Here recently I have been thinking much about you, though I can only see you in my memories. I miss you so much. I can only imagine what you are doing these days, though I know you are resting in the Lord's arms. I wanted to let you know that your grand daughters are doing great. Elise is a very good and sensible big sister at her ripe young age of 18 months to Abigail. How I wish you were able to hold Abby just one time, but the time will come when you will be able to embrace her too with your loving arms. Here recently there have been many decisions that I have needed your wisdom and direction yet I have gone without. I miss you daddy! Even now, my tears flow for my heart aches yet I know that you are in a better place. I was looking at your old medical records, go figure I still look at your records! I can see it was only a matter of time and I am thankful that you knew you were close to going home. Well, I must go now! I love you. Oh yeah, by the way, Mom...she has gone loco on working on the house you might want to give her a ring and let her know what's up!!!##imported-begin##Michael##imported-end##

July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell, not a day goes by, that I do not think about you. It has been THREE months today. I can still see you with that sneaky smile. Sometimes it just seems like you are in Balitmore working. I have on occassion started to call you, but then reality hits. You are greatly missed. I know you are in a better place, but when we have our cookouts, who is going to bring the Hamburgers? Life is not the same, you were my Big Handsome Brother and My HERO.
I miss you terribly and I love you dearly.
You will always live in my Heart.
Love You Always,
Your Sister,
Anna Mae###imported-begin##Anna###imported-end##

April 07, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ My sweet brother, it has been a month and a half since you left us, but not a day goes by without us thinking of you and wishing you were still here with us.###imported-begin##Diana###imported-end##

February 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I havent seen you a lot but I Love you so much I can tell that were a very great brother thank you april for being a great wife and I love you love Keerstin.###imported-begin##kEERSTIN###imported-end##

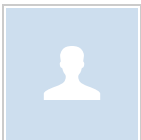
January 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I didn't see Russell as much as I did when I was little but I still loved him dearly. It was a guarantee that I would see him on a holiday or social event. That is why our family gatherings at mama's house is so important. We need to keep our family together and our Christmas Eve's at mama's house. That is something I look forward to every Christmas! Our family is like no other, alittle weird, but the best family ever. I didn't say much to Russell on Christmas but I do remember him sitting in the dining room, guarding the fudge. There was two left and he gave me one. I know that wasn't much of a recent memory, but that was, to me, something to make me smile. He was actually the last person I talked to at mama's before leaving. I know that Russell always gave me a hug when he seen me and always was picking at me. He was a great uncle and one of the funniest men I know. I love you Russell and will miss your very handsome face. You are in a better place and I know we'll see you again. I love you Russell.

Love you very much,
Jennifer and Family##imported-begin##Jennifer Brown##imported-end##

January 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I just wanted to send our deepest sympathy to all who loved Russell!! He will be missed by all of us!! God has given him wings!! Our love to you all!!!##imported-begin##Joan Gray & Family##imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ To all the McMillion Family : I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Tisha###imported-begin###Norma Tarkington Cochran###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell always had a smile and was full of life..I could feel how much he loved his family. I will miss him at our Family Reunion. God decided he had better plans for him. Be strong. All my Love to the Family Anna Clay###imported-begin###Anna Clay###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ With all our Love
Love and Prayers
Margie Clay
Bobby Vance###imported-begin###Margi Clay & Bobby Vance###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss Russell !
Love and Prayers

Lee Roy & Kathy Adkins###imported-begin###LeeRoy & Kathy Adkins###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Love & Prayers

Earleen Jennings & Family###imported-begin##Randy & Earleen Jennings & Family###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ ###imported-begin##Tisha Cochran###imported-end##

January 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sorry circumstances did not allow us to be with all of you as you honored Russell son, brother, husband, daddy, uncle, friend and his life. The McMillion family overall is the cream of the crop when it comes to what really counts: LOVE. Norma represents this with tremendous grace and Russell never fell far from the tree! If having a mother like Norma was not enough, the Lord brought him a beautiful wife and children whose spirits are sweet and just as loving as Russell's. Always will we remember Russell greeting us with a big grin, laughing eyes and a sincere hug from the heart. As we wave good-bye on this side, others he loved whom made the journey ahead of him are waving hello and so glad to have him join them. Now Russell joins the cloud of witnesses and is cheering us on to see destiny fulfilled that we all be conformed into the image of Jesus Christ. Though his body be deceased, his spirit is more alive than ever and he is always with us; closer than a breath away. May all the McMillion family know how greatly we love and care for each of you.###imported-begin##Danny and Brenda Corey###imported-end##*

January 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *This message is for my Aunt Sandra!
I want to thank you for being there for us. you are always here at a drop of a hat when we have a crisis. You are a wonderful sister to mom. It means a lot, I know because I have some wonderful sisters myself! Actually, you are like a second mother to me. Thats how much I love you. I'm sure everyone agrees. Including Russell. Sorry I didnt get a chance to say bye in person. Hope to see you soon, hopefully on a happy occassion. Have a safe trip home.
Lots of LOVE, Donna###imported-begin##Donna###imported-end##*

January 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Uncle Russell,*

These past few years I did'nt see you as much as I used to. I have a lot of memorys with you in them. You were always my favorite uncle and you always will be. Its going to be weird to never see you again. You'll be remembered and greatly missed. I love you.

*Your nephew,
Russell Dale###imported-begin##Russell Laumeyer###imported-end##*

January 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM



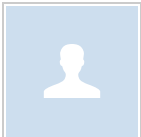
“ *To my dad and family,
I know how it feels to lose a brother.Its one of the worst feelings in the world.Im sorry!
Love You All###imported-begin##Lisa###imported-end##*

January 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Mom, April and Family,
My heart is broken, for the loss of my Big Brother. I cannot express how brokenhearted I am. Never to hear him fuss at me or give me words of advice. Russell was a great guy. I worked with him for quite a few years, he made me walk the straight and narrow. Russell was a good person to work for, but took no mess from me. I know what it is like to lose a son, we have lost so much. Starting with your mom, then Dad, then with our sister Phyllis, then Meghan, Little Ronnie, Charlie then last my Big Brother Russell. I just hope it comes to an end.
I will miss Russell very much. After all he was my big brother. I know he is in a better place, but he left us too soon.
He will always be in my heart.
Rest in peace my brother.
Russell loved his entire family. We all will see him again some day.
Russell will be sadly missed by all.
Love You Always,
Your Little Brother
Ronnie###imported-begin###Ronnie McMillion###imported-end##

January 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ May the Lord's sweet peace and comfort rest upon you and your family. The family is in my prayers.###imported-begin###Carlos Fink###imported-end##

January 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Russell once told me I was his mentor when it came to ship repair, yet in my heart I knew he was the mentor. This was the kind of man he was, always giving encouragement to his friends. Even though we worked together for close to 17 years, I was truly blessed to have worked closely with him these last few months of his short life. There was never a problem he could not help me with. Whether it was work or in my personal life. Thank you for all you have done. Until I see you again my brother, may you rest in peace.##imported-begin##GEORGE WILLIAMS##imported-end##

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I'M FREE

*Don't grieve for me now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call.
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A shared friendship, a laugh, a kiss.
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with time of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved ones' touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me.
God wanted me now,
He set me free.
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 diamond glints on snow
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 soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there. I did not die.##imported-begin##Carol
Woods##imported-end##*

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *THE GREATEST BLESSING IS TO KNOW YOUR LOVED ONE HAS TAKEN THE BEAUTIFUL TRIP TO BE WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, THAT SHOULD BE YOUR PEACE AND JOY ALWAYS, I WANT TO SAY HOW SORRY I AM FOR YOUR LOSS OF ANOTHER LINK, BUT IT WILL ALL BE PUT INTO PLACE AGAIN SOMEDAY WHEN THE MASTER IS READY. LOVE AND PRAYERS TO YOU ALL, COUSIN ,NITA##imported-begin##JUANITA PHILLIPS##imported-end##*

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wow, I really dont know what to say about my dad. Except he was my HERO! I can remember calling him on his cell phone and he would know that I needed something, and he would always say "I'll be there in a minute". I could count on him showing up with himself and Ronnie Foreman. My dad being the man he was very compassionate, hardworking, funny, great provider, loyal, family man, loving, great father, and friend made my dad ONE OF A KIND. If I had to pick from a million dad's again I'll choose my dad. It has been a honor and a priviledge to be his son. I'm so glad he blessed me with his name. Im going to honor him by naming my first son after his grandfather. The impact he has left on me, his family, and this world we be felt for generations. Dad, their will always be a piece of my missing from you leaving me, but i will always LOVE YOU. Until the day when I can hug and kiss your cheek again please help God watch over me. Love You DADDY##imported-begin##Russell F. McMillion son##imported-end##*

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ To Norma and family, It was very nice to get to talk to you the other night. I am very sorry for your loss. May God be with you and your family at this hard time. I will be thinking about you and hoping that God gives you the strength to go on. You have a very beautiful family and have been threw so much maybe now you guys will have joy and comfort. God bless you and your family always. I love you and will be thinking of you guys and you guys will be in my prayers! Love you all Lisa!!!!!!!!##imported-begin##lisa hill##imported-end##

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ April, I want to say thank you for being there for my brother, taking care of him and of course loving him. To you and my nieces and nephews, you all did a wonderful and beautiful service yesterday for Russell, He would of been so proud of you and the children. I know that I was. It took a lot of strength for you all to do what you did.

Mom, I know that losing a child is one of the hardest things that any parent would have to go through and this is why that I am always there for Kitty when she needs me as I did get a second chance with her. Sometimes it may have kept me from a family function, but sure that all did understand as my child does comes first. I just wish that I had spent more time with Russell as I felt that I did miss a lot.

To my sisters, I do enjoy our days at the mall although we do get into each others way sometimes, but we were spending quality time with each other. Donna you need to join us I love each of you very much.

To my brothers, I do not spend a lot of time with you guys other than family functions, but I do want you all to know that I do love each of you very much and my goal is to spend more time with each of you.

We do have so many great momories of Russell from child to adult and so glad that we do have these.

Russell, although I am the oldest of ten children, I still feel that you were my big brother. I just cannot beleive that I am writing this, it just feels like a dream and I am going to wake up and everything will be Okay.

There really is not a whole lot left for me to say about Russell since everyone has covered all of the great things that he has either said or did. I do love him and will truly miss him, but he is in a better place and will feel no more pain. May he rest in peace.

Russell please watch over us and remember that we ALL will miss

you and we ALL do love you.

I will always remember you and your smile.

Love you forever,

Your big sis,

*Peachy##imported-begin##Norma Peachy Nelson##imported-
end##*

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Norma, Arpil & McMillion family, sorry for the lost of Russell he was one of my favorite nephews. sorry i didn't get to come to the family reunion it was my last time to see Russell i was sick just had surgery. i no another chain was broken. its so sad to lose one of our family. God has a reason for everything he is with God. his Dad ,ny brother they will take care of each other. my deepest sympathy. i Love you all. Wanda McMillion Gunter

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the family reunion last year i didn't no it would be the last time to see him i was sick just had surgery. may God with with you all. you are in my prayers. its sad to see one more of my family gone. but God has a reason for taking him he is with my brother and his dad now. they will take care of each other.

i love all my McMillion family. i really don't no what to say. you have my deepest sympathy. love Wanda McMillion Gunter. ##imported-begin##wanda##imported-end##

January 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

*Our dear departed ones
Are full of joy and peace
For they are with the Lord
Where praises never cease.*

*Christ gladly welcomed them
To their heavenly home
Where they are with loved ones---Rejoicing---not alone.*

*Eternal life is theirs
And though they've gone before
With joy they long for us---
They wait by Heaven's door.*

*To My Aunt Norma and Family..... Our prayers and thoughts are
with you always! May God Bless All---*

*Peggy Sue and Laura Elizabeth##imported-begin##Peggy
Sue##imported-end##*

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *God looked around his Garden,
and found an empty place---*

*He then looked down upon his earth,
and saw your loving face---*

*He put his arms around you,
and lifted you to rest---*

*His Garden must be beautiful,
he always takes the best---*

To My cousin Russel.....We will all miss you!

*Peggy Sue and Laura##imported-begin##Peggy Sue##imported-
end##*

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Norma, April and the McMillion family, my heart, mind and prayers
goes out to all of you, i pray that God will give you strenght to carry
you through this day and the days to come, he is there to listen to
you when you need someone to talk to, you can lean on him and
talk to him any time you feel the need. my prayers are with you all
today. my love to all the McMillion family love shirley##imported-
begin##Shirley Dykes and family##imported-end##*

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Norma & Family,*
I know there are no words that can really comfort you today but I hope you find some comfort to know that we share your sorrow. I wish I could be there with you but with Joe's condition, we can't travel at this time. We're remembering you in our prayers and have requested prayer for your family at our church. Please let us know if there is anything else we can do. Love to all of you.##imported-begin##Aunt Joyce##imported-end##

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Aunt Norma & family,*
I'm so sorry for your loss. I can remember telling you Norma what a strong woman I thought you were at the last family reunion considering all the losses you had suffered and how you've kept going and I know that God will give you the strength to get through this loss also. I'm so glad I got to see Russell at the last family reunion. I remember his smile. I'm sure his memory will live on through his wonderful family. My prayers are with all of you today. Remember death is not the end-it's only a temporary separation and one day we'll have another family reunion. Love,##imported-begin##Pam Carter Donnelly##imported-end##

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Joany, I agree when you said "WOW". I still haven't been able to catch my breath. April, thank you for being a good wife to my brother. You guys always stuck together no matter what. You were there when he needed you the most! To his kids and grandkids, you should be proud,he really loved you guys. Russell, I never told you that I was proud that you were my brother. You have always been there for everyone during a crisis. You and Bob took care of mom after daddy died. That mean't a lot to her and us. Yall did a great job and Bob, your shoes just got a little bigger. Im sorry that i didn't know that you were in so much pain. You sure didn't show it. I didnt see you that often but, I had the peace of mind knowing you were in my life. I always looked up to you and was proud to say "thats my big brother". Life won't be the same without you for a lot of people. I love you so much!!! I always thought you were a great guy,but I figured I thought I was being a little partial. After hearing all the stories from Bob about how everyone that you knew respected you so much as a boss and friend,well it made me even more proud of youif possible. Beacuse you gave me away, didn't mean I was ready to give you away. I dont know how to let you go. I am so broken hearted. I love and miss you so much. Thank you for being in my life. To the rest of my brothers and sisters, I love you guys so much. Mom, I don't know what to say to ease your pain but, I love you!! Love your little sister, Donna###imported-begin##Donna###imported-end##

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“ To My Entire Family,

Once again another link is broken

THE BROKEN CHAIN

*We little knew that morning
that God would call your name.
In life we loved you dearly.
In death we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone,
for part of us went with you
the day God called you home.*

*You left us peaceful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And though we cannot see you,
You are always by our side.*

*Our family chain is broken
and nothing seems the same,
but as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again.*

*Love you always,
Your Sister
Anna Mae###imported-begin##Anna M Wolff###imported-end##*

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“ Anna,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Tricia Riggs##imported-end##

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“ We would like to express our appreciation to the family for the beautiful service today. No one, not even a President of the United States, could have had a more touching service. The room was filled with love and happy memories. We have never witnessed a finer tribute. Family members, dear friends, co-workers all shared in expressing their feelings of a man who lived his life for the good of others.

It is rare to see a pastor searching for words, but as he said, there was nothing left to say. The funeral was perfect, topped off by a splendid "It Is Well With My Soul." I think it truly is well with Russell's soul, and he and April have done a fantastic job of seeing that it is well with the souls of their children as well. Perhaps one of the children will consider the ministry or mission field!

What a joy to celebrate Russell's life. We send our deepest sympathy to you in your time of grief, but rejoice with you in knowing that Russell is an heir to the Kingdom of Heaven.##imported-begin##John and Sharon McCormick##imported-end##

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to say how sorry I am to hear about Russell. Please give our condolences to his wife and children. If they need anything, please feel free to contact me via e-mail. Our deepest sympathy to ALL family members.##imported-begin##Kimberly Prince##imported-end##

January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of Russels passing. I have many fond memories of him especially when we were younger and most recently at our family reunion. Sorry we could not be around more, but life had a way of keeping us apart, hopefully we will see him again someday, he is in a better place. You are in our thoughts and prayers !##imported-begin##Roscoe & Marie Clay##imported-end##

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“ GOD BLESSED AND HE IS AT REST....
I am so sorry!!
Life is so short sometime and we never know..Yes, God has a plan and I am sure it is better than ours..
Be strong , because you know he was, and that is exactly what he would want..I LOVE YOU ALL
Anna Clay
A FAMILY THAT PLAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER...Lots of Love##imported-begin##Anna Clay##imported-end##

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“ *My heart aches for the loss of my big brother. We have all lost someone who was very special. We have lost a loving, kind and gentle son, husband, brother, father, grandfather, uncle and very dear friend to many. Russell was a tough man with a gentle heart. May we keep up the love and closeness in our family as Russell would want us to do. I love you all very much and I look up to God to give us strength to get through this time of pain. Rest in peace brother, you will live in my heart forever.*
Loving you always,
Your sister,
Diana##imported-begin##Diana##imported-end##

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“ *I am sad for your lose##imported-begin##Bruce Wentworth##imported-end##*

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“ *April,*
Just to let you know that you are in our prayers.I wish we lived alittle closer so I could just be there as a shoulder to lean on.I know that GOD will lead you in the right direction,and help you with your greef.We both know that Russell is now in the better place than we are.Take care and I'll see you at work. PEGGY##imported-begin##PEGGY DAVIS##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Aunt Norma, April and family,

I am sorry to hear about the loss of cousin Russell. Please know that I love you and wish that our lives traveled closer together. I pray our loving Father will comfort you with His peace and surround you with His love and presence.

love and blessings,

Robin###imported-begin##Robin Camp##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Aunt Norma

I am so sorry about Russell,I think about when we where little living at Terry W.VA God be with all of you.I love you all. Love You

BRENDA HORNSBY###imported-begin##Brenda

Hornsby##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Norma,Family,

I am sorry about the lost of Russell. I will keep you in my prayers.

LOVE AND PRAYERS

MARGIE,ANNA,BOBBY

LOVE YOU ALL###imported-begin##MARGIE CLAY##imported-

end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Anna, I am so sorry for your loss, I want you to know that I understand what you are going through, and also I am praying for you and your family. I wish that I could be there for you but just know that God is there with you. And that he will help you get through this difficult time.##imported-begin##Marcella Cromartie-Luster##imported-end##

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss, Russell will surely missed by all, he was a great man.##imported-begin##Jim and joellen Schaffer##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Our sincere condolences for the loss of Russell. He was a special friend and great co-worker. I'm blessed with the memories of knowing Russell. We sat together many nights in Baltimore talking about life, work and love of family. He offered wisdom about life only a loving and caring person could. Russell was a proud father and brother, it showed when he spoke of family. He will be missed by our company and his fellow workers. He was one of a kind and can never be replaced. Rest in peace my friend and thank you for the time and memories we shared.##imported-begin##Bill and Eleanor Slade##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to lessen your pain.

Be Blessed,

Tammy McGuigan##imported-begin##Tammy McGuigan##imported-end##

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“ Norma, April and Family It was a shock to me when Anna called, and told me about Russell. when i was a teenager i stayed with with you and my big brother Alfred alot, so i was around Russell when he was a little guy, and at that age he had a kind and tender heart, and he was so adorable. his life here on earch is over, and he is in a better place. So to all my McMillion family god bless, and i love you. Gods Speed Russell, and i love you. Aunt Carol##imported-begin##Carol Woods##imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad, I miss you more than you know. I wish that you were by my side right now. I know that you are in a better place, and I will see you again. Love you always your son Alvin.##imported-begin##Alvin##imported-end##

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“ Ah Honey I miss you so so much . What in world am I going to do without my main squeeze. We were suppose to grow old together and push each others rockers on the porch. Honey I LOVE YOU and MISS YOU and I am doing my very best to do what you would have me to do but it is very hard. I feel like I have had surgery and they took out half my heart without pain killer and sometimes it is so hard to breath because the pain is so great. You are the very heart of me and have been for the 26 years we have been together. You have all ways been my rock and strenght, my love , my voice of reason when things get rough, my very bestest friend in the whole wide world, and The Love Of My Life. I Love and Miss You and will see you again when the Father calls me home baby. Love you###imported-begin##April###imported-end##

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“ Wow! I can't believe that this is happening. My big brother is gone. Another chain in our family is broken. We did have many wonderful times and I think GOD that we have those memories. Russell was one of the most tender hearted men that I have ever known. The love that he had for his entire family was unmeasurable. All it took was a phone call and he was always there to help no matter how bad he felt. I will miss all the big fishing tales. I will look forward to the day that we can see him again. He will always live in my heart.

Joany Bell

Sister###imported-begin##Joany Bell###imported-end##

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“ I'm so sorry about Russell. i wasn't around him enough to know him well, but i have heard good things about him, and i know he loved his family. I'm so glad that he didn't suffer, that God took him fast, Russell's time on earth was up, Heavenly Father needed him up there with him. he has big plans for Russell, I know he will be missed, try not to morn too much over him, think of the happy times that you shared with him. My prayers and love to all the McMillion family. I love you all. Shirley McMillion Dykes and family###imported-begin###shirley dykes###imported-end##

January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I AM SO SORRY AND HEARTBROKEN FOR YOUR LOSS. RUSSELL WAS THE MOST AWESOME PERSON THAT I EVER HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH. HE WAS THE MOST DEDICATED, HONEST, HARDWORKING, PUNCTUAL, UNSELFISH, WITTY AND YET SO CARING FOR THE PEOPLE THAT HE WORKED WITH. I AM SURE THAT ANYONE THAT EVER WORKED WITH HIM COULD ONLY AGREE. HE DESERVES AN A+ IN ALL CATEGORIES. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY ALL ON THE WATERFRONT.

HIS BROTHER AND FRIEND,

MAC###imported-begin###MAC###imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Anna My prayers are with you during this time. Big hugs I am always here if you need me###imported-begin###Sheree Temple###imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *To My Special Brother Russell,
We were blessed with a large and wonderful family. Coming from a family with four brothers and five sisters, we didn't get a lot, but there was lots of love, and a lot of loving memories. Words cannot express what my life will be like without you. You were my big brother. I looked up to you, even though I was older, you were my idol. You didn't have to leave us so soon. We will see you again in heaven. Life will not be the same without you. You will be sadly missed, but you will always be in my heart. I will remember the good times. Love you forever.*

Your Loving Sister
Anna M. Loving Wolff###imported-begin##Anna M. Wolff###imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Norma and family, I was shocked and saddened to hear about Russell. I know that words cannot take away your pain, but time and trust in God can help to ease the pain and help us to have better days. We will be praying for you all, Tammy C. and family###imported-begin##Tammy Campbell-Cline###imported-end##*

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dad,
I still can't believe you're gone. I keep waiting for this bad dream to be over so I can tell you again how much you mean to me. I love you beyond words and miss you so much already. My Sundays will never be the same without you. I love you.*

Love Always,
Crissy###imported-begin##Crissy###imported-end##

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“ I am very sorry.He was a good man we all are going to miss him. I really enjoyed working with him. He was a great man.He was a great boss& and a great friend. Godbless you all.##imported-begin##John Parrish111&Susan Harris##imported-end##

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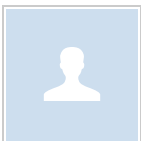
“ Sorry for your loss. May God bless you and be with you.##imported-begin##Bill Campbell and Family##imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry about your loss love Rose Adkins Berry##imported-begin##Rose Berry##imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
God Bless

Danny & Kathy Hare
3384 Brandywine Drive
Chesapeake, VA 23321##imported-begin##Danny & Kathy Hare##imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *My heart and prayers are with you Russell... We are sure going to miss you cousin.*

*Love you,
Cousins Bob, Kathy and Carrie Anne Clay###imported-begin###Bob
Clay###imported-end###*

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dad,*

Why is your name found on this page? I am not suppose to bury you until later in life, why so soon? Until I see you in the next life I want you to know that I am trying to remain strong for the family, though the pain is far too much too bear. Thank you for trusting me with the leadership of the family, I'll do my best.

Loving you without cease,

Michael###imported-begin###michael###imported-end###

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Good man taken too soon.
You have my deepest sympathy,*

*Chris Holbrook
USNS Comfort###imported-begin###Chris Holbrook###imported-
end###*

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Russell was a guy everyone respected. He looked out for his friends and was always the one you could count on. I?ve got two wonderful sisters and if I could?ve had a brother I?d want someone just like Russell. He touched so many lives and will truly be missed.

Love and condolences,

Mike Moore, Jr and Nancy Edmondson##imported-begin##Mike Moore, Jr and Nancy Edmondson##imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ My heart and prayers are with you. May you find peace and comfort in your memories.

Sincerely, Mary Strong##imported-begin##Mary Strong##imported-end##

January 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Very sorry about your loss, Love ya, Lottie##imported-begin##lottie meador##imported-end##

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