



Delbert Gray

June 21, 1957 - September 25, 2010

Mr. Delbert Franklin Gray, age 53 of Calhoun, passed away Saturday, September 25, 2010 in Alabama from injuries received in a vehicle accident. He was born on June 21, 1957 in Johnson County, Kentucky, son of William (Bill) Gray and the late Ruth Copley Gray. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Robert (Bobby) Gray. During his lifetime he was employed with the Gordon County Sheriff's Office, the Adairsville Police Department, the Bartow County and Gordon County Emergency Medical Services, and the City of Calhoun Police Department. He was currently employed by Triple R Transportation Company, where he had logged over one million safe and accident free miles. Mr. Gray was a member of New Town Baptist Church and the Sonora Lodge # 221 F & AM, where he had received his 25 year membership pin.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Jolly Gray, to whom he had been married for 23 years; two daughters, Jenny Moore and her husband Jason of Cartersville, and Cora Lumpkin and her husband Ray of the Nicklesville Community; two sons, Josh Gray of Calhoun, and Charles Gray of Dalton; four grandchildren, Tanner Gray, Ben Moore, Mollie and Megan Owens; his father; William (Bill) Gray of Calhoun; three brothers, Rev. George Gray of the Plainview Community, Doug Gray of Fairmount, and Phillip Gray of Calhoun; mother-in-law, Opal Jolly of Calhoun; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Grady and Sharon Jolly of Calhoun; a sister-in-law, Vicki Carroll; and a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Emory and Carol Jolly. Several nieces and nephews also

survive.

Funeral services for Mr. Delbert Franklin Gray will be conducted Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 12:00 noon from the New Town Baptist Church, with Rev. Stacey Hensley and Rev. Walter Hare officiating. Music will be arranged by Jeff Rogers. Active pallbearers will include, Chris Burger, Steve Yancey, Greg Ray, Jerry Henderson, Ricco Wells and Adam McDaniel. Honorary pallbearers are Kathy Ray, Autumn Ray, Alex Harstine, Ruth Hill, Elsie Williams, Chris Williams, Vickie Graham, Kenny Seabolt and Randy Seabolt. Interment will follow the service at the Fain Cemetery with Masonic rites being conducted by Sonora Lodge #221 F & AM. Mr. Gray will be carried to the New Town Baptist Church on Monday, where the family will receive friends from 5:00pm until 9:00pm, and on Tuesday morning until the funeral hour. Online condolences may be expressed and the guest book signed at www.maxbrannonandsons.com. Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home, a legacy of compassion and care, is conducting the funeral services for Mr. Delbert Franklin Gray of Calhoun.

Tribute Wall

KJ

“ Please accept my sincere condolences and heartfelt sympathy at the loss of your loved one, Mr. Delbert Gray. God Bless You And Keep You In All His Ways.

Kathy Jackson - October 12, 2010 at 12:14 AM

JC

“ We were so Sorry to hear about Delbert. He was with the Sheriff Dept. When I was with the Calhoun PD. Our prayers ar with the family.

Jimmy & Lois Cochran - September 29, 2010 at 06:03 PM

MI

“ Debbie & Family; Know that Linda and I have been lifting you up before our Abba Father. Know that we pray for you to experience God's comfort in a powerful special way during this time of grief.
Millie

Millie - September 29, 2010 at 12:46 PM

ST

“ Dear Josh, My heart has been broken for you since I heard about your Dad's accident. He was a good man and a good example for you to follow. Please know that you will be in my heart and in my prayers.
Mrs. Taylor Your 4th grade teacher

Susan Taylor - September 28, 2010 at 07:18 PM

LC

“ Dear Debbie and Josh and other members of your family, I was so saddened to hear of Delbert's accident. It is so hard to lose someone unexpectedly, but Delbert knows the Lord! Please accept my condolences.

Lucretia

Lucretia Stanfield Cantrell - September 28, 2010 at 03:17 PM

AP

“ To the whole family I am so sorry to hear about Delbert. I will be praying for each and everyone of you all. If you need me for anything please call. Take care of each other and I truly understand... Love you

Annette "BOLO" Printup - September 28, 2010 at 02:27 PM

BS

“ I've never known a true 'Man' with more integrity and strong ethics than Delbert. With the depth of love, respect, and adoration of his family and friends; he's the wealthiest man I've ever known. He lived his life knowing that each day is a gift, and he NEVER took it for granted.

Delbert touched many lives in his short lifetime, and left his mark on every single one of them. I'm blessed to have been able to call him my friend, and brother in Christ.

There are few things that I'm certain of, but I do know this... Delbert left a tremendous legacy in his family that won't soon be forgotten. He left this world with his eyes closed and his heart wide open. I won't ever forget the impact that he made in mine and my wife's lives.

Until we meet again Delbert, I love you and will miss our conversations. Rest well old friend... rest well.

Bud C. Shackelford - September 28, 2010 at 01:47 PM

WB

“ *Delbert Gray*

Wilson Baxley - September 28, 2010 at 12:00 PM

SP

“ *Debbie, Gary and I didn't get to come last nite but I wanted you and the kids to know that we are thinking of you and keeping you close in our prayers during this most difficult time. Take care and know that everyone is praying for you to be comforted and that Delbert is in such a wonderful place. I am so sorry for your loss. Sonya & Gary Phillips*

sonya phillips - September 28, 2010 at 11:37 AM

DW

“ *Just wanted to let you all know how sorry we are for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Deva, Eric, Destiny, and Dillon James Childers*

Deva Weaver - September 28, 2010 at 11:07 AM

SW

“ *We are so sorry to hear about your loss. We are out of town or we would have been by to pay our respects. Debbie, you and your family will be in our prayers.*

Steve and Melinda Walls - September 28, 2010 at 10:46 AM

DB

“ *Debbie, I'm so sorry for the loss of your husband. He was truly a great person.*

Doreena & Kyle Brown

Doreena Evans Brown - September 28, 2010 at 10:09 AM

JR

“ my condolences go out to the gray family. god bless. charles and cora i wish i could be there for you two. love you two very much.
janie
my sympathies also go out to the family. bobby reaves

janie reaves - September 28, 2010 at 12:48 AM

TD

“ Charles, I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my prayers during this difficult time.

Tishanna McClure DeFoor - September 27, 2010 at 10:42 PM

DP

“ I am so very sorry about your loss. I never knew his name. I just knew he would pick up Mrs. Jolleys medicine. He always had a smile on his face & was a super nice guy. My heart breaks for the family. You will all be in my prayers~~~

Donna Parker - September 27, 2010 at 09:53 PM

MT

“ Debbie, Our hearts go out to you and the family. Delbert will truly be missed. You just hang on to GOD and we will see him in heaven! Delbert was one of the good guys. Your Deacon, Mitchell

Mitchell & Linda Timms - September 27, 2010 at 07:21 PM

TN

“ Debbie,
I can't imagine your loss, but I praying for you and your family. Just remember you are never alone and you know you will see Delbert again.
Love you, Telena

Telena Rutledge Norton - September 27, 2010 at 05:03 PM

JJ

“ Cora, and family sorry to hear about your lost. I to lost my dad in march i know want you going thur my thought and prayer are with you and your family.

Jennifer Gillette [Howard] - September 27, 2010 at 03:32 PM

JR

“ Dear Gray Family,
As a member of the neighborhood watch, we're sorry to hear of your lose. Our prayers & thoughts are with your family.
Mr.& Mrs Tony Reece:

Joan Reece - September 27, 2010 at 03:30 PM

MC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You guys will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Melissa Clifton - September 27, 2010 at 03:21 PM

JB

“ My thoughts & prayers are with you all. May God comfort you in this of sorrow. May God Bless each of you. Judy & Charles Bailey

Judy Harris Bailey - September 27, 2010 at 01:54 PM

ME

“ Our deepest condolences on your loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Elrod - September 27, 2010 at 01:40 PM

YM

“ To the Gray Family. I have known Mr.& the late Mrs. Gray for years and many of the family members. You have Truett and my sympathy on Delbert's passing. I am so sorry. Prayers to each of the family members. Yvonne Moss

YVONNE MO - September 27, 2010 at 12:48 PM

JW

“ My thoughts & prayers are with you all. May God comfort you in this of sorrow. He will be sadly missed by all.

Janice Smith Walraven - September 27, 2010 at 12:43 PM

WL

“ Debbie and Family, We are so sorry to hear of Delbert's death. The angels welcomed Delbert home! All of you are in our prayers. Don, Wanda & Jessica Lumpkin

Wanda Lumpkin - September 27, 2010 at 11:44 AM

DC

“ Debbie and family, I do not have to tell you what a special friend Delbert has been to me for many, many years. He is someone I loved and respected. You all are in my thoughts and prayers, and if there is anything at all I can do, please feel free to ask. Love, Donna Fuquea Couch

Dona Fuquea Couch - September 27, 2010 at 10:35 AM

DE

“ There are no words to say except our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time of sadness. I know that God will comfort your hearts each day and give you peace that passeth all understanding. Delbert was the youth leader when we first came to New Town, he planted seeds and gave direction to many. His dedication to his family and God says it all. He will be greatly missed.

Debbie Ellis - September 27, 2010 at 10:24 AM

CS

“ I'm so sorry for y'all's loss.

Collin Stoner - September 27, 2010 at 09:34 AM

TB

“ Debbie, I'm so sorry to hear about Delbert. Please know you're in my thoughts and prayers. Tammy Buchanan

Tammy Buchanan - September 27, 2010 at 09:29 AM

DB

“ DEBBIE I CANT FIND THE WORDS TO TELL YOUR FAMILY WHAT AN INFLUENCE THAT DELBERT WAS TO ME AND WHAT A JOY HE WAS TO THIS WORLD. I KNOW HE WAS TRULY A GOOD MAN I WAS PROUD TO CALL HIM MY FRIEND ,WHEN HE WOULD COME IN AT THE CARLOT JUST TO HEAR HIM TALK ABOUT THE LORD WOULD BRIGHTEN MY DAY ,HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED I LOVE YOU AND I WILL DO ANYTHING IN MY POWER TO HELP YOU .

DONNA BELCHER - September 27, 2010 at 09:28 AM

CH

“ *Debbie and family, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Delbert, your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Carla O'Kelley Hill - September 27, 2010 at 09:26 AM

MR

“ *Jenny,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. The Gray family has always been special to the Ppatterson family. When you came to work at Mohawk, I met a really special girl. I know what a heartbreaking loss this is for you. I will keep you and your loved ones in my prayers. May God comfort you in the days and months ahead.*

Marie Roberts - September 27, 2010 at 08:34 AM

KH

“ *MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY .*

kathy howard - September 27, 2010 at 08:13 AM

BN

“ *My heartfelt prayers and sympathy go out to you and your family. May God touch you with His comfort and peace.*

Brenda Null - September 26, 2010 at 10:31 PM

PS

“ *I was so sorry to hear about Delbert. Mr Bill you and all your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. a friend Peggy sheriff*

peggy sheriff - September 26, 2010 at 08:33 PM

ST

“ *Debbie - I am so sorry to hear about the sudden loss of your husband. I can't imagine the pain you are feeling. I will be out of town during the visitation but wanted you and the family to know that I will be praying for you. Love Sandy*

Sandy Troglin - September 26, 2010 at 07:07 PM

LO

“ *My heart is breaking for you all right now. Delbert was such a special man and such a special cousin. So many good memories . Love and prayers go out to you and the family, Debbie.*

Lola Opell - September 26, 2010 at 06:58 PM

CB

“ *Debbie, I am so sorry for your loss, Delbert was a good Christian, & a good friend, he will be missed. You & the family will be in our prayers.
Love ya Charlotte*

Charlotte Buttrum Broadrick - September 26, 2010 at 06:29 PM