



Matt McClure

December 10, 1970 - June 16, 2013

Funeral services for Mr. Matt McClure, 42 of Dallas will be at 10:00 am, Friday, June 21, 2013 in the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Allen Tilley and Rev. Dock Lazerine officiating. Burial will follow in Boynton Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be Thursday, June 20, 2013 from 6 – 8:00 pm at the funeral home. Mr. McClure died Sunday, June 16, 2013 in Dallas.

Mr. Matthew Steven McClure was born December 10, 1970 in Carthage, Texas to Jerry Steve and Marie Gail Griffith McClure. He attended Carthage schools graduating with the class of 1989. Matt then furthered his education at Panola Jr. College and Stephen F. Austin University receiving a Bachelor's degree in Business and a Master's degree in Kinesiology. Matt had additionally received a degree in Forestry, and a license in massage therapy. He served as a Lieutenant with the Texas Dept. of Corrections in Palestine and had since transferred to the Hutchins Unit in the Dallas area. Matt had a passion for fitness, running and working out at the gym, and was honored to carry the Olympic Torch in 2002. He was of the Baptist faith and always enjoyed spending quite time talking with God and his family. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ishmael and Velma Johnston McClure.

Matt is survived by his parents, Jerry and Gail McClure of Carthage; sister, Madonna Jo "Joe" Ashmore and husband Bob of Marshall/ Longbranch; grandparents, Jimmie Cariker and Sentis Marie Griffith of Longbranch; nephew which was his son by heart, Holden Saxton of Longbranch; other

nieces and nephews, Jusdson and Spencer Ashmore, Jim Saxton, Keena Saxton and Michele Saxton; aunts and uncles, Bettye Lollar and husband Mark of Mt. Enterprise, Glenda Heirs and husband Terry of Lufkin, Vicki Garcia and husband Dusty of Tyler and Connie Denton and husband Dalton of Carthage; his beloved dogs, Dex and Mick, numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Holden Saxton, Wayne Bailey, Duane Kuhn, Danny Hill, Lee Coleman. Honorary pallbearers will be Bob Ashmore, Kelly Simpson, Jim Saxton, Patrick Porter and Brandon Denton.

The family request memorials be made to Glynnis Ritter, 912 Gholston, Carthage, Texas 75633 to help support her efforts in taking care of homeless animals.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Tribute Wall

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“ *Glynis Ritter lit a candle in memory of Matt McClure*



Glynis Ritter - July 06, 2013 at 07:32 PM



“ *Very sorry to learn of Matt's passing. My sympathy and prayers to Jerry & Gail and Madonna. Many pleasant memories of worship with Matt and your entire family at Fairplay Baptist Church.##imported-begin##Sam Adams##imported-end##*

June 25, 2013 at 01:28 AM



“ *I just was told about Matt passing away. I am so very sorry for your loss. While he was a client here at NeuroRestorative in Tyler, I really enjoyed getting to know him. Again my sincere sympathy to all of your family.*
Becky Barnes, Lead LVN, CBIS##imported-begin##Rebecca Barnes##imported-end##

June 24, 2013 at 07:26 PM



“ To Connie & Gail, so sorry for your loss. I didn't know Matt. I know how sweet you sisters are. Gail, you were the best employee Beall's ever had. Connie you've always been so kind. You & Dalton are such good friends. Love all of you. Praying that God's peace be with all of you.

Cynthia McKnight Ishee###imported-begin##Cynthia Ishee###imported-end##

June 24, 2013 at 02:29 PM



“ I just saw Matt's obituary. I am so sorry to hear that he passed away. Our son, Robbie Hays, was a classmate of Matt's. Robbie passed about Aug 2012. I understand your heartache. I am so very sorry for your loss. I pray that God will comfort you. God Bless you. Carolyn and John Hays###imported-begin##Carolyn Hays###imported-end##

June 23, 2013 at 05:22 PM



“ Mr. and Mrs. McClure and Madonna,
Our family is so sad to hear of Matt's passing. What a wonderful person he was. We always appreciated his drive and passion for living the Christian life. He was a fine friend and example. Our hearts are very sad. And we will be in prayer for the loss for each of you.

Love,
Roane, Jill, Austin and Kaylie Smith###imported-begin##Jill Smith###imported-end##

June 22, 2013 at 05:32 PM



“ *Mr. and Mrs. McClure and Madonna; wasn't too long ago I saw ya'll and was asking about Matt. I was saddened and shocked to hear of his passing. I haven't seen him since he was a little boy and remember him to be a bright eyed kind young man with a contagious smile. I pray the Lord will bless each of you in the way that we know only He can. Love ya'll###imported-begin##Mark Milam###imported-end##*

June 21, 2013 at 06:34 PM



“ *I was so very saddened to hear about Matt's passing, he was always smiling and always friendly, an all around great guy and classmate. Will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers, he was very much loved by many!###imported-begin##Jodi Wright-Fountain###imported-end##*

June 21, 2013 at 01:58 PM



“ *To Matts family...deeply saddened for your loss and praying for everyone. Matt was my classmate and great friend thru out all the years we knew each other. I got into working out just because he was doing it and stayed active all these years. It's just a shock that he left us so soon...really wishing i had made it to our 20 year reunion as he was there..
he will be dearly missed..
praying for everyone..
we will see u again soon Matt!!###imported-begin##Jared Boothe###imported-end##*

June 21, 2013 at 11:46 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Icephene Walker##imported-end##

June 21, 2013 at 09:03 AM



“ Dear Jerry, Gail & Madonna,
We are so sorry about the death of Matt. He was also so friendly and kind. Please know that we are praying for all of you at Fairplay Baptist Church. Loyd & Pam Adams##imported-begin##Loyd & Pam Adams##imported-end##

June 21, 2013 at 08:54 AM



“ i am so sorry hear about matt yall are great people .yall are in our thoughts and prayers##imported-begin##laura ross##imported-end##

June 20, 2013 at 11:35 PM



“ To The Precious McClure Family:
Our family would like to extend heartfelt sympathy to each of you. We hold your entire beloved family with very high & warm regards. May God bless, comfort & give you peace today & always.
Love & Prayers,
Moni, Benita & Joumana
Ben & Geneva Craycraft##imported-begin##Benita Craycraft Tabch##imported-end##

June 20, 2013 at 09:31 PM



“ When I think of Matt I do nothing but smile! He was such an awesome guy & he was even a better friend!! I will never forget you my dear friend..but I know that I will see you again! My heart and prayers go out to the McClure family.

Dana Harris Williams

Class of 89##imported-begin##Dana Harris Williams##imported-end##

June 20, 2013 at 06:20 PM



“ Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Shane Kelley##imported-end##

June 20, 2013 at 06:04 PM



“ Matt and I spent many hours together in the gym, and cruisin' around the big town of Carthage. He was always a blast to hang out with, and always had a positive attitude. It is a blessing to know that we will see each again. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Cody Williams##imported-end##

June 20, 2013 at 03:37 PM



“ I am truly saddened by Matt's passing. I remember him fondly from our days growing up together in Carthage. More recently, I was able to visit with him on one of our trips back to see Mom. We shared fond memories of our youth, and I sensed that Matt had grown into an honest, sincere, and kindhearted man. I thank God for the opportunity to know him. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Jason Gibert##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 09:34 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of your loss.##imported-begin##neal sartor##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 09:13 PM



“ we are so sorry to hear about matt, let us know if we can do anything we love you all and we are sorry we can't be there for you, but we will keep you in our prayers.##imported-begin##loring & charlotte minter##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 07:40 PM



“ You were a dear, sweet friend and will be missed by many. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Kristi Akins##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 07:04 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear this sad new, we will have you in our thoughts, to Mrs. Gail there no pain in heaven. We're here for you and your family, Thanks Julio##imported-begin##Julio Arriola (Cavenders)##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 05:38 PM



“ Dear McClure family, we are so very sorry for your loss of such a sweet son. Matt was always so friendly when we would see him...just a really nice guy. I know y'all have been through alot with his sickness...he is not sick anymore! Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Louis & Carrie Wiggins...Millard Smith##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 01:35 PM



“ Praying for your family in this time of sorrow.
Sincerely,
Karen Beasley Ross##imported-begin##Karen Beasley
Ross##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 12:41 PM



“ Sending our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Becky Milam
Carson##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 10:34 AM



“ I graduated with Matt class of 89 Carthage Bulldogs. I am sorry to hear of his passing. May God be with his family and friends during this time.##imported-begin##Lararsha Owens Deramus##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 09:13 AM



“ Keeping The McClure Family In Prayer.
Matt will be truly missed by his Hutchins Family.##imported-
begin##Shirley Hayes##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 02:24 AM



“ RIP you were a great guy!##imported-begin##Mary
Mills##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 01:47 AM



“ I was lucky enough to meet Matt at work at Hutchins. He was a
great man to talk to and work with. I enjoyed getting to know him
and loved his passion for his job along with working out. I know
myself along with many of his co workers miss him greatly. He was
a great person and will be greatly missed from the Hutchins family.
You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. RIP my friend.
Sgt. Michael Shupak##imported-begin##Michael Shupak
##imported-end##

June 19, 2013 at 01:34 AM



“ Mr & Mrs McClure,
I was so very sorry to hear about Matt. Your family is in my prayers.
Allow God to carry you through this very difficult time.##imported-
begin##Amber Hofmeister Sims##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 11:09 PM



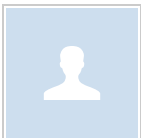
“ Dear Gail, Jerry, Madonna and family,
We are truly sorry to hear about the death of Matt. He was always so sweet and pleasant to be around.
Our hearts hurt for you all.
Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
With our love,
The Jerry Don Dorman Family
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy,
Lance and Lara Kate
Proverbs 17:17##imported-begin##Jerry and Pat (Edens) Dorman
##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:44 PM



“ To Jerry, Gail and Madonna, I am so sorry for your loss. Matt was a great friend, brother and an inspiration to me. I thank GOD that I was able to be a part of your lives for the past 29 years. To Matt, I love you brother! I will miss you and we will see each other again soon. Rest in peace my friend.##imported-begin##Duane Kuhn##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:30 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear about Matt. It's been a while since I last saw him, but I remember him as being a very sweet and kind person. So sorry for your loss Jerry Steve, Gail, Madonna and the rest of the family. Love Tanya##imported-begin##LaTanya Johnston Nance##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:30 PM



“ To Jerry, Gail, and Madonna, I'm so sorry for your loss. Matt was a great friend, a brother and an inspiration to me. I thank GOD that I was able to be a part of all of your lives for the last 29 years. To Matt, I just want to say I love you brother! I'm going to miss you and we'll see each other again soon!##imported-begin##Duane Kuhn##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:18 PM



“ Our condolences to the family. Will cover you all in prayer. Matt was a wonderful person. Always so friendly and you could tell he truly cared about others.##imported-begin##Cathy and Jeff Youngblood##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 08:52 PM



“ I first got to know Matt in 1st grade. We were playing kickball he was great guy back then as well. God bless his family he will be missed.##imported-begin##Elzie Taylor##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 06:54 PM



“ Matt was my first boyfriend, and he showed me a great time! We had lots of fun together, and he was a true gentleman. I pray for God's blessings on his sweet soul and on his family.##imported-begin##Lynn O'Neal Martinez##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 06:36 PM



“ Our hearts are breaking for you all. We know how much you loved him. He was such a kind person. We are lifting you up in prayer.##imported-begin##Thomas and Ann Bagley##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 06:28 PM



“ I am very saddened for Matt and his family. He and I are old friends from the skating rink. I will miss him deeply.##imported-begin##Rachel Mercer##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 05:54 PM



“ So sorry to here about Mat...I really enjoyed working with him...Rest In Peace Friend##imported-begin##Cathey Briery Lane##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 04:14 PM



“ I first got to know Matt in 1st grade playing kickball he was great guy then as well. God bless his family he will be missed.##imported-begin##Elzie Taylor##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 03:54 PM



“ I grew up with Matt. We were good friends. I will miss him very much.RIP Matt.##imported-begin##Patrick L. Porter##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 03:52 PM



“ May God comfort you as you think on happy memories.##imported-begin##Pam Goodson##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 03:50 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Matt. Shannon and Matt were such good friends. I remember when he would come to the house. Matt was always so polite and respectful. He will be missed. May God fold his ever loving arms around your family and give you peace.##imported-begin##Frances Langley Turner##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 10:24 AM



“ We are the daughters of Lonnie & Virgie Armstrong. We are so sorry about the loss of your love one. We are thinking of you and your family. May God bless you all through this.##imported-begin##Joan McName , Billie Holland, Dean Duncan##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:53 AM



“ Mr. and Mrs. McClure and Madonna,

Praying God's peace and comfort to cover you in the days ahead. So sorry about your loss. Matt was a wonderful guy from a wonderful family!##imported-begin##Patti LaGrone Yates##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 09:27 AM



“ I'm so saddened at the loss of Matt. He was an all around wonderful person & great friend. I will never forget him. The family is in my thoughts & prayers. Madonna, my heart is with you, I know how hard it is to lose a little brother. I know Clete & Matt are watching over us.##imported-begin##Glenda Chambers Grimes##imported-end##

June 18, 2013 at 08:40 AM



“ Matt was very special to me, I taught him when he was in the 5th grade. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.##imported-begin##Glenda Everett##imported-end##

June 17, 2013 at 09:48 PM



“ God has made another Angel come to his calling sprout those wings and greet us all when he calls on us. I will skate along side of you once more save me a spot. To the family you have an Angel watching over you once more so embrace God for he has called upon a great man. Love you all##imported-begin##Lee Coleman##imported-end##

June 17, 2013 at 09:22 PM



“ To The McClure family: I was so sorry to hear about Matt. My heart is sad with you. Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your son and brother.##imported-begin##Peggy Foreman Warta##imported-end##

June 17, 2013 at 06:11 PM



“ *RIP Matt!*

*Prayers to your sweet family##imported-begin##Sandy Massey
Calapan##imported-end##*

June 17, 2013 at 06:08 PM