



## Christi Coleman

August 13, 1965 - January 27, 2009

On Tuesday, January 27, 2009, Christi Lois Hickman Coleman, born August 13, 1965, was called home to be with Jesus. We on this side of eternity will all miss her dearly but we look forward to the day when we will all be together with her in Heaven. Christi had prepared for this day many years ago when she accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Saviour, and today her faith was made sight. She is survived by her husband Matthew Coleman and two wonderful children, Scott and Mason Coleman all of whom she loved dearly. She is also survived by her loving and devoted father and mother Bill and Jean Hickman of Colcord, Oklahoma; brother and sister-in-law Brad and Rachel Hickman and a precious niece and a nephew Addison and Braden Hickman all of Gentry, Arkansas; by a wonderful loving grandmother, Granny Lois Hutchens of Colcord, Oklahoma; a father and mother-in-law, Harold Coleman of Westville, Oklahoma and Barbara Coleman of Stilwell, Oklahoma. There are also numerous aunts, uncles and cousins who are all members of Christi's family. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Bob and Pansy Hickman; and Floyd Hagar all of Colcord, Oklahoma. Christi was a graduate of Northeastern State University at Tahlequah, Oklahoma with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. Christi also leaves behind a gracious and encouraging group of fellow teachers at the Gentry Elementary School where she was a physical education teacher for the past 16 ½ years. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that gifts be made to an education fund set up at the Arvest Bank, P.O. Box 189, Gentry,

AR 72734, for Matthew and Christi's two young sons Scott and Mason Coleman. The family will receive friends on Friday, January 30, 2009 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. The home-going celebration will be at First Baptist Church, Gentry, Arkansas at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 31, 2009 where Christi and her family have been active members for the past 10 years, with the committal service and her burial in the Row Cemetery, Colcord, Oklahoma, immediately following the service. Dr. Robin Cowan of Gentry, Arkansas and Dr. Wayne Robertson of Valdosta, Georgia will officiate the services.

# Tribute Wall

JL

“ Jean and Bill, just wanted you and your family to know that we are praying for you. We were so sorry to hear about Christi's passing. Your family has been such a blessing to our family in our difficult times. We will continue to lift you up in prayer, because we know that God can give you the strength you need for each day.

Johnny and Cindy (Puckett) Litchford - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

LC

“ God has called such a lovely one home. Our hearts ache for the family's loss but rejoice with the angels as they welcome her home. Christi and her precious family have always held a very special place in our hearts. We marvel at her determination and faith. Her strong will has given us strength and hope. Her life was a true testament of her love for God, her family and her fellow man. We shall hold her close in heart as we hold those she left behind in our prayers.

Lex and Janie Cannon - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

AL

“ My heart goes out to you at this most difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you .

Ailene Lockard - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RA

“ All of you will be in our prayers.

Randy Anglin - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MF

“ *Christi was always so kind and thought of others before herself. She inspired me throughout my high school years. She made me laugh. She always listen and tried to help say the right thing. I will miss her deeply. I will always remember her smile. She had a smile on her face always.*

*MArsha*

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**Marsha Chiles Floyd** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KK

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Christies passing. Even though I have not had contact with her in many years, I still remember her from when we were little kids. I am the daughter of Carwin King and Sue Mills, I know Christies parents will know who I am.*

*May God bless you and be with you at this time of need.*

*Keri-King Jordan*

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**Keri King-Jordan** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RA

“ *Why bad things happen is still a mystery to me but I know only good lies ahead. Knowing where she is headed is the good thing we can see. Godspeed to all the family. RRA*

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**Rhonda Akers** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MH

“ I still remember Christi playing the piano at First Baptist Church in Colcord, OK where I attended the first time in Oct 1983 when I heard the Word of God and was saved. I left the area in 1984, and lost touch with the goings on in Christi and her family's life. My memories of Christi are of a beautiful young Christian lady with a sweet, charming personality participating in church events. It is very sorrowful to lose a loved one like Christi, but it is a joy to know that she is home waiting for us all one day. May God give strength and peace to her family, friends, and coworkers during this time. In Jesus Name.

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**Michael Haar** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

GA

“ You are all, the Hickman family and the Coleman family, in our hearts and payers. Gene and Nancy

Jean, I can't imagine the hurt but if I ever lost Linda I guess God would have to get me through it. May He be at your side. My love to you, Nancy

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**Gene and Nancy Aylesworth** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

LG

“ Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all. I have fond memories of Christi and all of you when I was younger and we came out to Oklahoma to visit all my dad's family. (Floyd Clugston Jr) I am so sorry.

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**Linda Clugston Grimsley** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of one so young and with a promising career in education. I know Christi loved life. Many will miss her. What a joy to know we will see her again in Heaven.

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**Dwight and June Campbell** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

HR

“ *The Coleman Family,*  
*The staff and I offer our condolence to you Matt and your boys and all of the family Christi left behind. She was real trooper while undergoing radiation and fought hard til the end. She will be missed by all that knew her and I will always remember her by the little wave and smile she always gave me. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may the love and the strength of our father be with you.*

*The Staff of Highlands Radiation*

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**Highlands Radiation/Sherry** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

GP

“ *Though I had not seen much of Christi in recent years due to the Middle school new location, I remember her as a sweet and vibrant person. My heart goes out to her family!*

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**Georgia Peoples** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JH

“ *Matt, Scott, Mason*  
*Just letting you know how very sorry we are for your loss.*

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**Jerry & Taby Hamlin** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RM

“ I am so sorry for your loss and hope you find comfort in knowing that Christi was so loved and admired by those who were fortunate enough to know her. May the Lord help ease your pain and heal your broken hearts.

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**Reine Moore** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ Matt, Scott and Mason, Christi was such a special person and we will all miss her so much. She always had such a great sense of humor and she has been very brave. Her faith in Jesus is a great testimony. So many kids looked up to her and have great memories of her. She has two wonderful boys that I know she was very proud of. My prayers are with you all and may God comfort and take care of you all thru this time.

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**Dea Ann Heinen** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KJ

“ Ms Christi was alot of fun I will miss her. I am sad.

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**Keeten Jones** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DW

“ Bill, Jean & family ,  
Just wanted you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that God will continue to give you strength as you face each new day. May God's light continue to shine down on you.

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**Debbie Woods** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BC

“ *Christi was such an inspiration as she displayed tremendous courage and strength throughout her illness. I have wonderful memories of sharing laughs over lunch breaks, witty emails, and her sharing her precious children with me for each of their second grade years. Scott and Mason, I hope you are able to find comfort in those special memories that you shared with her. Your family is in my prayers.*

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**Brandy Cordeiro** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BL

“ *MAY GOD BE WITH ALL OF YOU DURING YOUR LOSS. CHRISTI WILL BE MISSED. WE ARE SO SORRY.*

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**BONES & PATSY LONDAGIN** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

PW

“ *Bill, Jean and family, I am so sorry for your loss and will be praying for you during this sad time. Sissy*

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**Pearlie (Sissy) Welch** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DW

“ *What a wonderful lady, teacher, mother, and friend. We will all miss her so much here at Gentry Intermediate School.*

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**Denise Waters** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TT

“ *to the family My heart is sadden to hear of ur loss. GOD always knows what is best for us although sometimes we do not understand why. My prayers are with u at this very sad time. May u always turn to GOD when the pain gets to hard for u to bear.*

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**Tina Teel** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BH

“ It is with great sadness that I write this. I am very sorry for your loss. I am joyful; however, and a bit envious that Christi has gone to be with the Lord. While we feel loss here, I am comforted to know that she is now without the pain and weariness of this life. We are taught that while we will have heavenly bodies, that we will still recognize each other in heaven and it is in this that we are comforted. May God bless you all and comfort you in this time of loss.

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**Bobby Hogan** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RW

“ We are so sorry for your loss, may God be with you. You are in are prayers.

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**Ruth Blagg Wilmoth** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time of loss. Christi was a beautiful and kind person. She will be missed.

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**Darcy Jordan White** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RS

“ Dearest Jean, Bill, Matthew, Mason and Scott, We are saddened that we all are "left behind" but look forward when once again we will be united to FOREVER be together with the Lord. A passage in Psalms that came to mind is verses 17-18 of chapter 145: "The LORD is righteous in all His ways and kind in all His works. The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." You all are in our prayers.  
Love, Rick and Faye

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**Rick & Faye Setser** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CC

“ We are very saddened to hear about Christi. We want you to know that you all our in our prayers. May God give you comfort during this difficult time.

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**Conley & Janet Chesney** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RB

“ Dear Matt, boys, and family,

*Our hearts and prayers go out to you in this hard time in your life. Only Jesus can provide peace and He will. Sometimes I wrote Bible verses on Christ's CarePage that I thought were meant for her. In this time of loss, I offer this one for you from Isaiah 55:8-9:*

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.*

*For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts."*

*We do not know what Higher Glory Jesus has called Christi to but it must be a magnificent one in His Kingdom.*

*drb*

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**Randy C. Barrett** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

EF

“ Dear Matt, Scott, and Mason,  
We were so sorry to hear about Christi and cannot imagine the loss that you feel in your hearts. What a blessing Christi was to so many people. We realized that she taught each of our four children, ranging in ages from 24-10 years. Each of the children have fond memories of Ms. Christi. According to our youngest son, Ms. Christi was the best P.E. teacher. We will be praying for each of you.  
God Bless.

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**Eldon, Kaye Cripps and family** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MW

“ To Christi's family and friends:  
Words simply cannot express my sympathy for each of you. Christi was such a splendid person and teacher. My kids both thought so much of her, as did I. She has left so many fantastic memories with so many school children. Anyone who knew Christi has to have good and entertaining memories of the times they shared. She will be missed so very much. But we can all look forward to being with her once again all in due time.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you!

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**Myra, Megan and Marcus Welch** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MB

“ Thinking of you all, prayers abound.

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**Mary Bish** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

LQ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you daily! Scott, if you ever need to talk, I am here for you.

God Bless,

Leah Queen-Braden

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**Leah Queen-Braden** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

A(

“ Bill, Jean, n The whole family. I am sorry to hear of your loss The best memories I have is Christie playing the piano at church or all the fun times we had at VBS. She will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. At least she is ina better place now and no longer miserable or in pain.

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**April Renfro (Duncan)** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

SB

“ All of the family is in my prayers.

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**Sherry Barnhart** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

SD

“ God bless. You all are in my prayers.

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**Susan Duncan** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KS

“ Matt, Scott, Mason, Jean, Bill, Brad & family Keith & I are so sorry for you lose. Christi was a fine young lady. She had such a determination. We just pray that God will give you all strentgh during this difficult time and comfort you in the future. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Keith & Tamhra Shawver** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DS

“ *Bill, Jean & Family-*

*We're thinking about you and pray that God comforts you during this difficult time.*

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**Dwindell & Sharon Silcox** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

SP

“ *Matthew and Family-*

*Sorry to learn of your loss. May God cover you with peace that can only come from Him and comfort you during this difficult time. You're in our prayers.*

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**Scott and Janet (Silcox) Puryear** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

J(

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this difficult time. I had the pleasure of seeing Christi at Wal-Mart not long ago and we talked a little and she had such a smile on her face. She was such a trooper, and will be missed by all who knew her. If there is anything i can do for any of you, please let me know. God Bless each of you. Mike, Jerri, Tim, & Craig*

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**Jerri Edgett (Ethridge)** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

LH

“ *To all of the family---we were so sorry to hear about Christi....it has been a long road but now she's walking on those golden streets. May your memories & God's love bring you comfort at this difficult time. Everyone is in our prayers.*

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**Larry & Lana Hurt** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CC

“ We were very saddened to hear of Christi's passing. Chris and I used to see her on occasion when she came to church with Jean and Bill. I remember one sunday she stood up and gave testimony of how God was working in her life and how thankful she was to be able to be at church. She was a great woman and will be missed tremendously. To the family: We pray that God would give you comfort at this time. May God bless you. You're in our prayers.

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**Chris & Erica Clark** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KW

“ Matt, and family I'm am so sorry to hear about christi's passing. May the lord comfort you during this difficult time.

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**Kim wilkie** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DD

“ Matt, Scott, & Mason- We are sooo sorry to hear about the loss of Christi. If you need someone to "lean" on you know where we are. Our prayers are with you.

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**Donna Dunham** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BK

“ SCOTT & MASON:

WE ARE SORRY ABOUT CHRISTI. WE KNOW YOU WILL MISS HER VERY MUCH, BUT YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE YOUR MEMORIES OF HER AND WHAT A GREAT MOM SHE WAS TOO YOU. SHE WILL BE IN MINE AND KINLEY'S HEART ALWAYS. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY MY FAMILY AS WELL..

LOVE BUTLER AND KINLEY

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**BUTLER AND KINLEY** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JH

“ TO,  
MATT, SCOTT, MASON AND THE WHOLE FAMILY:  
CHRISTI MEANT THE WORLD TO ME, I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW  
MUCH THIS MAKES ME SAD. SHE WAS THE BEST COUSIN A  
GIRL COULD ASK FOR IN THE WHOLE WORLD. I HAVE SO  
MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES FROM MY CHILDHOOD TOO  
NOW FROM THINGS HER AND I DID TOGETHER THROUGH  
THE YEARS. WE REMEMBERED SOME OF THEM WHEN I SEEN  
HER THE LAST TIME..I WILL ALWAYS HOLD THAT AND  
EVERYTHING SHE MEANT TO ME DEAR IN MY HEART  
FOREVER..I KNOW YOU ALL WILL MISS HER DEARLY, I WILL  
MISS HER AS WELL. I KNOW THOUGH SHE IS IN HEAVEN  
HAVING THE TIME OF HER LIFE. SHE IS NOT HURTING ANY  
MORE. I WILL NEVER FORGET HER AS LONG AS I LIVE. I WILL  
CHERISH HER MEMORIES FOREVER.

LOVE ALWAYS JAMIE AND AARON

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**JAMIE HAGAR HIGNITE** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CB

“ *Bill, Jean and family....I wish to express my sincere, heartfelt prayers and sympathy. I was sorry to hear about Christi. Nothing ever prepares us for the loss of a child. My prayers are with you and your family. I pray the Lord gives you the gift of strength and happy memories to help you through this time of sadness. May God Bless You All!*

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**Cindy Boling** - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM