



Colby Curran

May 21, 1984 - January 23, 2009

Colby Phillip Curran, 24, former Gentry, Arkansas resident, died January 23, 2009, at his home in Springdale, Arkansas. Born May 21, 1984 in Bentonville, Arkansas, he was the son of Larry Dean Curran and Lou Ann Phillips Curran. Colby was a graduate of Gentry High School and was a disabled jailer with the Washington County Sheriffs Department. He loved the outdoors and spending time with his girls. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Gentry, Arkansas. Survivors include his wife Ashley Curran of Springdale; two daughters, Amy and Lindsey Curran of the home; his parents Larry and Lou Ann Curran of Gentry, Arkansas; his maternal grandmother, June Phillips of Gentry, Arkansas; his mother-in-law, Danita Dyke of Bentonville, Arkansas; three brothers, Jason Curran, Robert Curran, both of Gentry, Arkansas, and Larry Curran, Jr., of Springdale, Arkansas. Pallbearers will be Wade Fortin, Scott Sharp, Mark Brewer, Lucas Shelley, Erich Kollman, Jake Cripps, Jeff Reams and Buck Whitmill. Honorary pallbearers will be Dustin Ash, Michael Luedecke, Geoff Kimball, and Eric Dalke. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 30, 2009, at the First Baptist Church, Gentry, Arkansas, with Rev. Lyndle J. Taylor and Rev. Charles Ashcraft officiating. Burial will follow at Douglas Cemetery, Benton County, Arkansas. Visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 29, 2009, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. A memorial trust fund has been established for Amy and Lindsey Curran's College Fund at the Decatur State Bank, Gentry, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

BK

“ Dear Larry & LouAnn and all the family. You all are so special to us. You know that we are here for you any time. Please remember you are always in our hearts and prayers.

Bobby & Lisa King - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BS

“ Our prayers are with the entire family.

Bill and Patti Stuever - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JB

“ Larry and Lou Ann:

*I was so shocked and so saddened to hear about your son. We just talked the night before at wal-mart and everything was fine. Larry, you were so kind and so concerned as you asked about my mom and our family a year and then some after dad's death. It meant so much to know he was still remembered and so were we. Let me express that same concern and sorrow for the loss you are both facing. Someday in the near future, you will begin to be able to find comfort in the words and scriptures that are being offered to you but right now, I know its difficult. I will pray for you what I prayed for myself and my family in the days after our loss..."Lord let this season of overwhelming greif be short and help me not to "camp in the valley of the shadow of death" but rather to hold tightly to you and trust you to bring me through. You are in my prayers.
Renee'*

Jon and Julie Burden - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KG

“ I liked Colby from the moment I met him. There was just something about him. I admired how he was quick to admit when he made a mistake, apologized for it and then fixed it. One does not see that much in my line of work and my past career. When I have thought of Colby over the last several years I always concluded with how he turned out. In other words, how he fixed it. That is far more important in the scheme of life than why it was I ever met and knew him. Just look at how he turned out: Washington County Corrections Officer/Deputy plus married and the father of two beautiful little girls and of course a brother and a son, etc., etc. In this man's book Colby was a success. I have used his story, without naming names, dozens of times over the years in my line of work to encourage young people to fight through their issues just like Colby did and to never quit. He did not quit and look how blessed he was for his efforts. I will not soon forget Colby for he made an impact in my life. It is my prayer that he rest in peace with our LORD. May those of us he has left behind always remember the multitude of good he did, what his life stood for and the impact he had on others plus the joy that he left behind. Shalom.

Ken Glasscock - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ Ashley, I was sad to hear of your husband's passing. My heart goes out to you and the Curran family. May God comfort you all in the coming days. I will be praying for you.

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

JL

“ Larry & Lou Ann,
I am so sorry to hear you have lost your son. What a painful thing it must be to go through. I know God promised He will not put more on us than we can bear, but this must be one of those times you feel you are being put to the test. Please gather your family and friends around you, and hold stong to your faith. If there is ever anything I can do to help, please don't hesitate to call. You are in my thoughts and prayers and will remain there as you continue on this journey.
Love, Joyce

Joyce A. Lynch - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CS

“ Please accept our deepest sympathies on your loss of such a wonderful son, husband, father and friend to all who were blessed to know Colby.

We will continue to lift your family up in our prayers.

The Asencio and Shelley Family

Cindy Shelley - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

GT

“ Larry and Lou Ann sorry to hear of the loss of your son. May God keep you a nd your family in his arms. Our prayer and thoughts are with u this day and in the days to come.

George and Monta Rae Teel - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KL

“ Larry and Lou Ann,

I wanted to let you know that the services today were beautiful. I am keeping all of your family in my prayers during this difficult time. Please know that Colby will always live on in the memories of every heart that he touched. I pray that God will lift you all up and give you the perfect peace that comes with knowing that Colby is at rest with him. God Bless you all.

Kristen Lindy - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JC

“ Ashley and Family...We are thinking and praying for your family. He will be missed but not forgotten. Let us know if you ever need anything.

Justin & Kristi Christie - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TH

“ Larry, Lou Ann and Curran family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss. We Love you and Colby will be greatly missed.

Tim Henderson - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BM

“ We are praying for each family member that God will give you comfort and strength at this time.

Bill and Michal Montgomery - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JB

“ *What a shock! No, I just couldn't believe it was Colby! He's been such a fighter through all of the results of his accident. No, we don't understand nor can we explain. May your trust in God not waiver as you pass through this dark valley. My prayer is that God will use those two precious little girls to allow Colby's memories to always be fresh in your mind. In time, may God wipe away the tears and replace them with all your precious memories of Colby -- and may this bring you peace and comfort. Always know you can talk about Colby to his precious girls, and to any of us. If the sorrow becomes so strong you feel you can't take another step, let our precious Jesus carry you through; and may He use your friends to always be there for you. /Nora & Bob*

Jessica and Rope Bond - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RH

“ *Larry, Lou Ann and family. Your family has suffered more than any should. No words can take away the pain of your loss. We have the hope of eternal salvation and rest with our heavenly Father. We pray Cody's spirit is there with Him now. Our prayers are with you. May you soon find comfort and peace and your memories sustain you. Please extend our respects to Doug, Ron, Don, Rita, Jason, Rob and Larry Jr. and all their families.*

Roger and Tami Holland - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

PC

“ *We will always remember Colby's fun loving character and his benevolence. He had a great big heart.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you tonight and tomorrow. We love you.

Phil & Dee Clouse - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

KC

“ Dear Larry, LouAnn, Ashley, Jason, Robbie, and Larry Jr.,
We were so sorry to hear about Colby. We cannot imagine the grief you feel at this time. Memories are so wonderful because we can continually remember them any time we need to. We know his baby girls will be a constant memory for you and a blessing. We will be praying for each of you. God Bless.

Kaye Cripps - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CM

“ Larry and LouAnn and the Curran's family, Clyve and I were so sorry to hear of Colby death. Just know you are in our thoughts, Prayers and hearts at this time. We always enjoyed seeing Colby and the other boys when they would come to Athens.
The Lord Bless and Keep You.
Clyve and Margie

Clyve McDaniel - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TF

“ Dear Loved Ones,
We love you and you are in our every thought and prayer. We know your hearts are breaking and we share in your sorrow. Fortunately, you don't bare this alone. God is with you and he loves you. May you find strength and comfort in Him. May peace reside in your hearts knowing that Colby has reached his heavenly home and Christ welcomed him there with open arms.

Love and prayers,
Terry, Amy, Alex and Alyssa

Terry and Amy Adams and family - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MS

“ Larry, Sorry to hear about your Son. If there's anything I can do, just let me know.

Mike Sydoriak - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

LS

“ Ashley,
I am so sorry for your loss. Colby was a great guy. I will be praying for you and the girls as you go through this. You are a very strong person and I know you will make it! I am here for you always!
Love ya,
Leagha

Leagha Smith - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BT

“ There are so many memories that have come to mind over the last week. We loved Colby he was a great joy to hve around. He will NEVER be forgotten ! There are so many things in my heart to say but the words just can't seem to come. I am here for you any time.
Love, Terry

Bob & Terry - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

PR

“ Larry & Louann and family,
Just wanted you to know we are thinking of you at this difficult time. May the Lord give you strength and the faith you need now and in the future.

Parker & Faye Roberts - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

PP

“ *Lou Ann and Larry and family,
We are so sorry to hear this about Colby. You are in our thoughts
and prayers.*

Patti & Randy, Van & Colene Philpott - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RD

“ *Larry and Luann, our hearts are sad for your lost. I know the Lord
will get you through this time of sorrow. Open your hearts and let
Him in, to help with the pain. We will keep all the family in our
prayers.*

Rodney & Louise Dunnam - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

VC

“ *I am so sorry for your loss of Colby. To loose a child and at such a
young age is so very hard to understand. Bill really liked Colby and
really enjoyed talking with him at the feed store. I will continue to
keep your family in my heart and prayers.*

Verlene Couch - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DS

“ *Larry & Family-*

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

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

D(

“ *Curran Family - I am very sorry for your loss. Colby was such a great person! I will never forget the times with him and Larry! May god be with your family and give you the strength that you need! Love to you all!*

Diana Almond (Haynes) - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RB

“ *Our hearts have been heavy since we heard your sad news. Although we can't pretend to understand your loss, please know that we are thinking of your entire family. Colby's sweet little girls will want to hear lots of stories of their daddy. As you tell the stories your healing will begin. May your memories help dry your tears.*

Randy & Sharon Bever - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RB

“ *Larry and LouAnn,*

There are no words that will ease your loss. Please know that Regenia and I are praying for your family in this time of unspeakable loss. May Jesus give you peace and comfort.

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

RF

“ *We are very sorry to hear of your loss. Colby's kindness and the person he was will never be forgotten. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.*

Brynn Thompson and Family

Randy Thompson Family - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

FS

“ Our prayers are with the family, GOD BLESS.

frank severn - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ Dear Larry and LouAnn
Our family's thoughts and prayers are with you. Your family has meant so much to us over the years. Please know that we are thinking of you at this difficult time.

Drexel Hall - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

AS

“ I recall when we first meet Colby - he and "Little Larry" were with Jodye, who was baby sitting them at the time. Those two little guys were sooo cute! Because Jodye got to baby sit with the boys a lot during her high school years, we got to hear all the fun stories of the things the boys would do or say. Those boys brought us lots of happiness, both in real life and through the stories. Seems like only yesterday - they grew up so quick.
We can't even imagine what you, Larry and Lou Ann, are going through. We love you and pray for you. And we pray for Colby's family also.
Larry and Lou Ann, you are wonderful people and have done so much to help so many kiddos for so many years. We are so sorry you are saying goodbye to one of your own. God bless and keep you.

Al and Bev Saunders - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BS

“ Sorry to hear about Colby. We are saddened by your loss. Colby was like one of our own. We will never forget the time that Colby hung around our house. he was a sweet young man.

Bill ,Donna & Tiffany Selvidge - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BW

“ Ashley and girls,

We love you guys so much! We are so sorry for your loss. We loved Colby so much and are so thankful that we got to get away with the both of you last weekend one last time! If you need anything you know you can just call!

Girls...we love you lots! Our prayers our with you, and we cant wait to tell you all the wonderful things about your father as you both are growing up!

Buck and Sarah

Buck and Sarah Whitmill - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TW

“ Curran family,

I know your sorrow is inexpressable. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers and we love you all.

Tammy, Craig, and family

Tammy Weeks - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ Curran Family, Thinking of you, in this time of sorrow. May God comfort, & strengthen you at this time.

Don & Dorothy Hawkins - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TO

“ Larry & Lou Ann, & Family, We are so sorry, to hear of the loss, of your youngest Son. I remember, when Colby & Terra were the Ring Bearer, & Flower Girl in Diana Reading & Gary Shores Wedding. Remember, that your Friends are thinking of you, in this time of need. God Bless You All.

Terrie Ocheltree, & Terra Ocheltree - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BM

“ To Colby's Family,
It is with deep heartfelt sadness that We send this message to you today. Billy and I enjoyed the times Colby spent with Robby and us, camping and just hanging out. We wondered sometimes where and what we would find them doing next. Then the boys grew up and went their own ways, but I never forgot how polite and sincere Colby always was when he was in our home. Your loss no doubt is more than you can possibly handle now, but with time and Jesus, our Higher Power, all things are possible. We will continue to keep you all in our prayers as you continue through this very difficult time.
Billy & Rose Miller

Billy & Rose Miller - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

AB

“ Colby was a very wonderful person. He was a joy to get to know in the last year. Larry, LouAnn, Larry, Misty, and the rest of the family I just want to let you know you are in my thoughts and prayers. He was a very wonderful person and put lots of joy in many peoples lives.

Andrea Beeson - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

RA

“ We were so saddened to hear about Colby. He was truly a wonderful person and a good friend to so many people, including us. To have known someone like Colby is an honor that we will never forget. He definately will hold a special place in our hearts as well as in many others. Please know that your son made such a positive impact on us. We are honestly better people just to have known him. We will have you in our hearts, may you find atiny bit of comfort in knowing you raised a profoundly good man and heart changing friend.

Ruben and Christina Ames - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CS

“ We can't even being to understand how you all are feeling right now. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time for your family. May God be your constant refuge.
Much love,
Steve, Cheryl and family

Cheryl and Steve Smith - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

AD

“ Larry and Louann,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of your family. We will pray that God's peace surrounds you and comforts you.
With Love Scotty, Angie and Cody

Angie Ditto - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TM

“ Larry and Lou Ann you are in our prays. God will look after you in this dark time of your life. Know that God has Colby in his arms and he is safe.

Tom & Deb Martin - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CD

“ Dear Larry, LouAnn, and Family,
Words cannot express how much I feel for you all at this time. Know that I love you and that I'm praying for your family. I'm so glad that Catie and Patrick got to spend some time with the family at Christmas.
May God bless you and keep you. May He give you peace at this time.

Carole

Carole Denney - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BB

“ To all of your dear family, Our hearts go out to you at this time and in the days to come. Please know you are in our love and prayers. We are so very sorry. May God bless and keep you all.

Brenda Bailey - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BL

“ I am sorry to say that I didn't have the pleasure of knowing Colby, but from all the tributes he must have been a fine young man. I do however have the honor of knowing his Father, Larry. If Colby was like his father then he was a very special man. My heart breaks for Larry and his family.
You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Bobbi (Marler) Lancaster - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DH

“ Sorry to hear about Collby. Our thoughts a prayers go out to all the Curran family.

Danny Head - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JB

“ Larry, Louann & the Curran Family,
We are so very sorry for the loss of your precious son. May God Bless you all at this very sad time in your lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Jack & Pat Boyle

Jack and Pat Boyle - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

JC

“ I wish to convey deep condolences to the Curran family. Colby has been a friend of mine for the past four years, beginning when I worked with him at the Washington County Sheriff's Office. Colby was a fine man with a kind and giving heart. He always had a smile on his face, and was always quick with a joke.

A few years ago, a friend and I accompanied Colby to Gentry to target-shoot pistols on land his family owned. After we shot, he took us back to his parent's house in Gentry, and we were served dinner with his mother and father. My friend and I were quite moved by the hospitality of the entire Curran family. We often commented about the classic southern hospitality we received that day.

Colby once told me being a father was the greatest thing he had ever done with his life. He talked about his girls often, and was very proud of them. The last time I saw Colby was about a week ago. It was as it always was with him, he gave me a big, strong bear-hug, picked me up off the floor, and asked, "What do ya know, Bud?"

I was deeply saddened when I was told Colby had passed away. However, I am confident that Colby is now at home, with the Lord, watching over us. I will forever miss my friend.

Jared Cypert - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

CW

“ I really enjoyed Colby. He was great fun in Youth Group! I am sad to say that I will not be able to attend the services because I live in Honduras. However, LouAnn, Larry, Larry Jr. and Colby's wife and kids... I am praying for all of you and your family!! Please know that I am very sad to hear about his death, and I really wish I could be there to pay a tribute to him. God bless you all, and my prayers are with you!

Corbett N. Warren - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

DJ

“ Larry, Louann, LC, June and family,
My deepest thoughts and concern are with you and your family right now. May the Lord wrap you in his arms in this difficult time. God Bless

Denise Johnson - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

BH

“ We are very sorry to hear of your loss of Colby. Larry and Louann, your family have always been special to us. Some things are hard to explain and must be left in God's hands. We want to let you know you are in our prayers.
With love and sympathy,
Bill & Marguerite

Bill & Marguerite Howard - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear to about Colby. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Siloam Springs Riding Club - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

ME

“ There are no words to say at this time that will ease the pain of losing Colby. I do know Louann that from all the battles he went thru, he was such a fighter. My heart is breaking for each of you right now and I know that our God is a mighty God and he will see everyone thru this. Please know that we love each and everyone of you and i will do ANYTHING i can to help you. Lindsey and Amy, Miss Jerri loves you girls VERY MUCH and i will ALWAYS be here for you. I wish there was something i could do, but a friend told me tonight that all anyone can do is leave it to God and keep the prayers going, so this is what i am doing. God Bless all of you, give you comfort and peace.

Mike & Jerri Edgett - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

TS

“ I've known Jason and Rob all my life. I'm praying for your family in this dark time.

Your friend
Tim

Tim Shields - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

GM

“ We can not begin to say how sorry we are to hear of this loss. Colby was not only a great man but an awesome father. Now he is with our father and we CAN REJOICE in that reward for Colby. We will have the entire family in our prayers and daily thoughts that the Holy Spirit will comfort you as only he can. God Bless each of you. You are an AWESOME FAMILY.....

Gene McCartney - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM

MK

“ *Larry and LouAnn we are so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are in our hearts and prayers.*

*Our prayer is that the Lord will comfort you with His peace.
Surround you with His love. And encourage you with His presence.*

With all our love, the families of Nadine King and Myra Welch

Myra Welch & Nadine King - September 19, 2012 at 11:28 AM