



Dustin Chamberlain

June 18, 1991 - December 15, 2011

Dustin Lee Chamberlain, 20-year-old resident of Siloam Springs, died at his home Thursday, December 15. Born June 18, 1991, in Siloam Springs, he was the son of Don Lee Chamberlain and Deondra Jane Wallingford Chamberlain and had been a lifetime resident. He was a graduate of Siloam Springs High School where he was active in the basketball, cross country, and golf programs. He had been a student at Baylor University in Waco, Texas, the past year and a half and was a sophomore biology and pre-med student where he had just completed the semester and had earned a 4.0 grade point.

He was active in several student organizations including the American Medical Student Association, Medical Service Organization, and the Bear Pit, a basketball spirit organization. He attended Harris Creek Baptist Church in McGregor, Texas. Survivors include his parents Don and Deondra

Chamberlain of the home; one sister, Danae Chamberlain of the home; his paternal grandparents Leo and Idabell Chamberlain of Colcord, Oklahoma; and his maternal grandparents Darrell and Donna Wallingford of Bella Vista, Arkansas. Visitation will be Monday, December 19, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Wasson Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Tuesday, December 20, at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church with Pastor Rocky Spear, Pastor Shawn DeOrnellis and Pastor Jim Henderson officiating. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery with funeral services under the direction of Wasson Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made to Dustin Chamberlain Memorial Medical Scholarship Fund c/o Siloam Springs High School Scholarship

Program, 700 North Progress Avenue, Siloam Springs, AR 72761.

Tribute Wall

GL

“ *May God wrap his arms around this family and hold them tight as they grieve the loss of their loving son Dustin..I didn't know Dustin but what I have read He was an amazing young man that had life going for him and knew what he wanted in life. God was with him throughout this ordeal. I pray that you will be comforted by what he has left for the family and friends to always hold on to his memories and what he had achieved in such a short time here on earth.. Dustin is in Heaven looking down upon each and everyone of you. May God be with each and everyone of you. I know by what I have read the whole family of Dustin Chamberlain are amazing people. I want you to know I grieve the lost of your son. It was my little brother that took Dusin's life and all I have is heartache over it. Your all in my prayers every night I lay down to sleep. I wish I could have Dustin because he was an inspiration to everyone that crossed his path in life. An Amazing young man has gone to Heaven! May God be with this family and friends. AMEN*

Glenda Ledbetter - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

DW

“ *I had the privilege of being Dustin's composition instructor last spring at Baylor University. English was by no means his favorite subject, but he was an extremely hard worker and made it clear that he was going to do whatever he could to ensure that he would get into a good medical school. He earned that A.*

Dustin was a special student and a model Baylor Bear. He was kind and intelligent, but he was also incredibly earnest. His faith was evident and he earned the respect of everyone in the class with his fair and thoughtful contributions to class discussions. I have been heartbroken by this news. Words fail me, but my prayers will continue to be with your family. I am so very sorry for your loss.

Danielle Williams - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

TE

“ Dear Don and Deondra,

May the comfort of our great God surround you during those moments when nothing makes sense. Your son has positively impacted our entire city and will continue to do so in coming years. Jesus will be the answer to the questions for which man holds no answer. Know that you and your family remain in my thoughts and prayers.

Tim Estes - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

CF

“ Dear Deondra, Don, Donna, and Darrell,
Words cannot express how saddened we were to here of Dustin's death. We are praying you will feel God's presence with you every moment of the day comforting you and uplifting you.

Connie Foster - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

TT

“ *Deondra and family, I did not know Dustin but I have read so many stories about your son...what a wonderful job you did with him!! The way people looked at him, wow, I know you were so very proud!! My prayers are going up for you, your family and friends as you deal with his loss. Let God comfort you each and everyday!! Blessings to you all!*

Tracy Trembly - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

VV

“ *You are all in our thoughts & prayers. We have been deeply touched by the legacy Dustin has left here. His God print will remain~*

Verlin, Mary & Geoff Vogt - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time. I will never forget Dustin's smile and how polite he was in class always. Dustin was a very special young man, that was willing to help everyone no matter what. He will be truly missed by all.*

Becky Caswell - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

TT

“ *Donna, Darrell and family:
Just wanted to let you know that I am praying for you all during this tragic time in your life. I can't even begin to imagine what you must be feeling, but be assured that you will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers in the days and months ahead.*

Trisha (Jones) Toth - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

JR

“ *I was just made aware of your loss. I am so sorry. May god give you peace at this time.*

Jill Randall - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

ES

“ *We are so sorry. May you feel God's loving arms surround you. We photographed your wedding. I wish we could have known Dustin. I know he was a wonderful Christian man. Our prayers are with all of your family. God bless you.*

Ezola Stanley - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

LB

“ To the Chamberlain family,

Dustin was such an incredible friend. He never failed to have a smile on his face and treat everyone with the utmost respect. He embodied the love of Christ like no one else. We had a bunch of classes together at Baylor (yay Bio/pre-med) and I will be saddened to return to school without him in a few weeks. But I know that his kindness and love for others are a great gift that he leaves and that he is safe in Heaven with our Father. My heart goes out to you and please know that you are in my prayers. I can't wait to see him again one day. I truly enjoyed his company and friendship. He was an incredible guy. One of my favorite memories is when I ate it on the concrete after tripping over a chair outside of the science building. He immediately helped me up and told me he'd never seen anyone smile and laugh after falling that hard. He made me smile a lot. Thank you so much for raising an awesome son.

Lauren Brubaker - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

CD

“ Many thoughts and prayers are extended to your family. May you have comfort and peace in all your special memories of Dustin. God bless you.

Connie Chamberlain Detherage - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

RC

“ Deondra,

Our heavy hearts go out to you and your family and pray for the Lords Peace to begin to mend the hurt. We can't even begin to imagine what you must be going through. We didn't know Dustin but from what we have heard from others, he was a quality young man. He will be greatly missed on earth.

Reid and Mechell Carroll - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

CM

“ I am so sorry about your loss. I pray that God will give you all comfort and strength. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Christi Moss - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

CN

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We will always remember Dustin's energetic smile and love for life and his family and God.

Cecil and Kathy Nichols - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

TC

“ Words seem totally inadequate at this time when so many questions abound. One thing is for sure -- God's grace is sufficient, and we pray that you feel God as He wraps his loving arms around your precious family. Know that we are praying daily -- multiple times throughout the day -- as you face this incredible tragedy.

Tom and Janet Cunningham - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

CP

“ We want to express our deepest sympathy in the loss of your son, Dustin. There are no words that can adequately express the sorrow we know you are feeling. We are praying that God will comfort you as only He can and that He will allow you peace as you cling to Him during this time. We did not know Dustin well, but we have always held your family as an example of a family that has God at the center. From all the facebook messages about Dustin, we can see that he carried the strength you gave him in a God-centered family into his young life.

Charlie and Carol

Charlie and Carol Pitts - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

JS

“ When my son was a freshman on the golf team and didn't have much golfing experience, Dustin was a friend that helped him learn the ropes. My son looked up to Dustin and valued the friendship. Dustin will be missed by many.

Praying for your family--that faith will carry you in the coming months.

Janna Snodgrass - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

DS

“ Deondra, Don, Danae & family--our prayers are with you. May God comfort your heart every moment of every day as you walk with Him through this difficult time. May His peace and love surround you in a way that's unmeasurable. We love you guys and continually lift you up in prayer.

Debbie Sharp - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

KH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Collin played basketball with Dustin when there were kids, he was and will always be an awesome child of God! If there is anything we can do just let me know.

Kevin and Bobbie Haggard - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

SJ

“ My heart bleeds for your family as we can't imagine the pain you are suffering. When I told our Pastor of this horrible event, he said "that young man was going to accomplish great things (for God) in life and the Devil couldn't stand it." I said "But he is going to accomplish great things in death." And he responded that God will take evil and make it good. We can't know the reason why but be assured Dustin's legacy will be greater even than he was in life. He accomplished his mission in life in 20 years. What a testimony.

Sherry & Richard Johnson - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

GN

“ May the promises, comfort and hope of our God be with you...Don, Deondra, Danae and family! The loss of your son is in no other then the heavens above, for shall all join up with Dustin in time...may the love and peace of our God be with you and you knowing that the cries and prayers are with you today...forever in our hearts the memories of our beloved one (Dustin)who has gone on, but never to be forgotten!!! May God's richest blessings be with you, our dearest friends~ Glen, Marlene Neufeld & Family

Glen & Marlene Neufeld - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

SF

“ Dustin and I have had many days of running together. He was an amazing athlete and person. I will miss him and will always remember him. My love and thoughts are with you now and forever. Love Shelby Ferguson.

Shelby Ferguson - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

LS

“ Dustin will always be in our hearts. He will be missed.

Lisa (Martin) Straubing - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BH

“ Deondra, Don & Danae,
We are praying for you and your family during this difficult time.

Bill, Ronda, Rachel & Gavin Hardgrave - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

NW

“ Deondra, So very sorry to hear of this tragedy. I remember how anxious you were to start a family all those years ago when I worked with you and how excited and blessed you felt when the time finally came! I will be praying for you in the days to come.

Nancy Wilhite - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

EM

“ Deondra and family, I was shocked to learn of this horrible event and even more shocked to realize this was your sweet son. My David has just returned home from his first year at college and I had already mentally attempted to put myself in your place. How would I feel? I could not. It's just too surreal too unimagineable. I am committed to praying for your family daily for this next year that the Lord will ease your pain and comfort you.

Your son seemed to be a wonderful young man whom I know you were so proud. Every note I read talked about his kindness and faith. What a wonderful legacy to leave in so short a time on earth. I can not come today to the service but you are in my prayers and thoughts.

Eddie Martin - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BK

“ Idabelle, Glenda called me this evening and told me of Dustin's death. To you and the whole family I would like to extend my deepest sympathies. I cannot begin to imagine your grief. Know that I care.

Barbara

Barbara (Brazil) Kennedy - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

OM

“ Darrell spoke very highly of his grand son on many occasions. We share the families grief in the tragedy. Our prayers are with all of the families involved in this situation.

Otis & Delores Miller - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

RC

“ I'm really sorry about Dustin. He was a classmate and a really good friend of mine. I remember eating lunch with him in high school. The Chamberlin family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Ryan Cannon - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

AM

“ Don, Deondra, Danae, and family.
My heart goes out to you during this difficult time. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Amy mitchell - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DV

“ Our condolences to the family, we grieve with you. God Bless and keep you.

Dr & Mrs A.P. Vohs - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

GW

“ We are so sorry for your loss

Gail and Greg Walters - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

WB

“ We are so sorry for this tragic happening
causing the death of Dustin!
We pray for God's Strength and comforting Presence for all of you!
With Love, Wes and Zelda Burns

Wes and Zelda Burns - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss

forgot to include my email add. on the first post

Shirl Clark Henderson - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

AM

“ We hold you up in our hearts and prayers during this difficult time.
We go to church with Donna and Darrell and as part of our church
family, we love and care for them and their family. We have sons
and cannot imagine dealing with this sort of tragedy. So glad you
have a faith to help get you through.
God Bless, Alan and Glenda Miner

Alan and Glenda Miner - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

LA

“ Dear Darrell, Donna, Don, Deondra, Denae & Diane. Our hearts go out to you in this time of your loss. From what I have heard, he sounds like such a terrific Son, Grandson, Brother & Nephew. I have enjoyed looking at your pictures on FB from time to time also. Pray that the Lord will comfort you and help you through today, tomorrow and the coming days ahead. Also pray for Rocky & Shawn as they officiate in the service for Dustin. Love to you all!

Larry & Penny Austin - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

CM

“ Dustin was a dedicated, exceptional Big Brother. He made a significant difference in the life of his Little Brother. We are proud to have known Dustin and our thoughts are with his family.

Cyndi Maddox - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

MH

“ On behalf of the Department of Biology and Baylor University we express our deepest appreciation that we had an opportunity to share a short time of Dunstin's life. He demonstrated tremendous abilities and would have served his community well. As parents you did a wonderful job raising a fine young man. The prayers of the Baylor community will be with your family.

Marty L. Harvill - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DL

“ No words can truly express how so very sorry we are for you over the loss of Dustin. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and praying that somehow God will comfort your broken hearts.

Don and Linda

Don and Linda Lawson - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

JR

“ Our thoughts and Prayers go out to you, may God be with you

Jeff & April Rich - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

ZM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Words cannot console you at this time, so we hope our thoughts and prayers reach you and comfort you. Know that we are thinking of you with sincere sympathy for your family.

Zoe Morton (Bentonville Health Services)

Zoe Morton - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

GM

“ Don, Deondra, Danae, Darrell and Donna, my heart has been totally broken for you over this tragedy. I did not know Dustin but I remember both of you from the KCCBS days, so know he was raised by the best. I can only tell you that it is obvious his life has not been lived in vain and you will see his influence lived out in people's lives for years to come. What a blessing! You are in my prayers and on my heart! Gloria

Gloria Meyers - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

MT

“ We are sorry for your loss he was a great boy.

Michael Thomason - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

BR

“ My thoughts and prayers are continually with you during this difficult time. You have my deepest condolences for your loss.

Ben Rhoads - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DG

“ Don, Deondra, Darrell and Donna

Please know your family is in our thoughts and prayers

David and Vicky Goodman - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM



“ Deondra, Don & Danae,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time, and we share your heartache. The world has lost a very special person that had so much to give and God gained another angel. Much love to you all.

September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DV

“ I am so sorry for your loss...you're all in my prayers and thoughts. May God wrap you in a bubble of His grace and mend your broken hearts. I wish there was words to comfort and ease your pain, I would freely give them.

Dede Harrington Vaughn - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DD

“ Don & Deondra,

My deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers are with you. Although I did not know Dustin, I am confident he was a fine young man with parents like both of you. Hang in there, we are and will be praying for you both.

Doyle & Susan Dodsworth

Doyle Dodsworth - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

MD

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you continue to find comfort in your faith that only God can provide during this difficult time. We always enjoyed seeing Dustin during our visits to Baylor. He truly lived Christ-like, with such a sweet spirit....what a blessing as a parent! He will be dearly missed. I will always treasure the photo you sent me a while back on FB. Love and prayers to you all.*

Melissa Draughn - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

JA

“ *Praying for Don, Deondra, and Danae as you grieve your loss of Dustin. We are thinking of your family. Love you.*

John, Kelly, Sarah and Hannah Allison - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

JL

“ *Thoughts and prayers. Jon Lowery*

Jon Lowery - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

JT

“ Your loss must be smothering you guys with grief. Our hearts are so burdened with your Dustin's tragedy as he struggled to protect your home and himself. Answers to your questions cannot possibly bring you the comfort you need at this time - your names frequently enter into our uttered and our breathed prayers as we beg the Lord to provide comfort as you journey through the despair of your sorrow.

I know you've probably heard these words often in the last few days but I say them again "If we can be of any help to you, please feel free to call on us." You guys have had important places in our lives and you are special.

Joe and Awynne Thurstenson - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

HS

“ Don and Deondra,

There aren't any words to express how truly sorry we are to hear about Dustin's passing. We pray for you and the rest of the family for comfort and strength to endure. We especially ask for God to envelop all of you, especially DaNae, with his love during this horrible time in your lives.

Harry and Gabrielle Smith - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

LH

“ To all of the family---no words can ease the pain you are experiencing now, but know that with God's love & grace you can find peace & comfort during this difficult time. Our prayers thoughts are with you & all of the family.

Larry & Lana Hurt - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

DS

“ Even though I haven't seen Dustin in years and don't really know him, he was obviously a wonderful young man and an inspiration to all knew him. Reading the tributes from those who knew him has been an inspiration to me as well. My heart breaks for you. There are no words to express the depth of your pain. Our prayers are with you.

Debra Salmons - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

BS

“ Our prayers are with each of you. Everything we ever knew or heard about Dustin centered around what a fine young man he was. God bless you.

Bev Saunders - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

TT

“ Don and family so sorry to hear about your son. May God comfort you and your family at this time. You and your family are in my prayers.

Tina Teel - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

AM

“ Our Thoughts & Prayers are with you and pray God's blessings for you.

Art & Diane Morris - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

TF

“ Our prayers are with the family of Dustin. His mother nurse Deondra is one of my favorite people in all the world, having lost my Mother and Father as well I know God will bring them peace and comfort during this time. we love you all.

Tanna lay and family - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

MA

“ All three of our kids, Emily, Leah, & Karl, knew Dustin and appreciated the quality young man he was as a friend and as an example. We are so sorry for your loss but consider it a joy knowing Dustin is enjoying his new home in the presence of His Savior. The message of his purpose and passion for Christ will be a beacon of hope to all who were touched by his life.
Grace and Peace to you.
The Andersons

Matt & Kris Anderson - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

CE

“ My thoughts are with the Chamberlins. This world has lost a great young man much too early. Our kids have been friends for years and we will all be here for your support.

The Everetts

Cole Everett - September 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM