



Dustin Cook

April 28, 1983 - February 2, 2012

Dustin Warren “Dusty” Cook, 28, of Jacksonville, Florida, died February 2, 2012, at his home. Born April 28, 1983, in Gravette, Arkansas, he was the son of Donald Lee Cook and Patsy Lynn Knox Cook. Dusty lived in Northwest Arkansas in his early childhood. He was a graduate of Sumter High School in Sumter, South Carolina, and as well as a 2007 graduate of The Citadel. He was employed as a financial analyst for Merrill Lynch in Jacksonville, Florida.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Charley and Leona Knox; and paternal grandfather, Warren Cook. Survivors include his parents, Donald Lee Cook and Patsy Lynn Knox Cook, of Altus, Oklahoma; one brother, Brent Cook and wife Crystal of Colorado Springs, Colorado; two sisters, Kaci Harrison of Abilene, Texas and Cindy Gipson and husband Dallas of Mt. Vernon, Virginia; paternal grandmother, Betty Cook of Decatur, Arkansas; nephews and nieces, Dylan, Jonathan, Tucker, Katelynn, and Presley. Services will be 11:00 a.m., Friday, February 10, 2012, at First United Methodist Church, Decatur, Arkansas, with Russ Hall and Frank Cook officiating.

Tribute Wall

ZA

“ *My ultimate dnnier guest would have to be by far with my two dearly departed grandma's. I was so lucky growing up ..I lived within 20 miles until I moved away at 18 to both of them. My mom used to say I would have my bags packed and ready to go home with my granny any time she came to visit- and most times she took me with her. It may seem corny but I miss them and their fun and wit both I am named after, both new how to make due with what they had, could hunt down a deal and just lived the good enough life I would make sure this dnnier was luxury all the way for them so we could just kick back, catch up and laugh, laugh, laugh.*

Zakaria - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

TH

“ *Sleep with the Angels*

Toby Horton - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

LM

“ *Don and Patsy:
How terribly saddened I was to learn of the loss of your precious son. You and your entire family are in my daily prayers.*

Linda Marinovich Meade - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MC

“ *We love you and our prayers are with you all.
'Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest.
Psalm 55:6'*

Margaret Coleman - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

AJ

“ *Sending my prayers to the family and friends of Dusty. He was a truly sweet person that left us too soon. May God bless his soul, he will not be forgotten.*

Andrea Johnson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

KC

“ *Don and Patsy-
It was with great sadness that I learned of Dusty's passing. Please know that your family and Dusty's friends are in my prayers. I did not meet Dusty, but reading these registry entries I am absolutely certain that he is a true pride and joy of your family. God bless you in this difficult time.*

Kathy Cowan - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JW

“ *Dear Don & Patsy,*

We are so sorry to hear about Dusty going home to be with the Lord Jesus so soon. Our hearts break for you and with you. We just can not imagine the hurt that you are going through at this time. Having to say goodbye to one of your children. May you sense the Lord's loving presence today and each day ahead. May the Lord keep you close to His heart assuring you of His tender care and cover you with His grace. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you both and to the Family.

Love you:

Jim & Rachel Wall

Jim and Rachel Wall - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MP

“ Dear Cook Family,

Our thoughts and prayers have been with you since we learned of Dusty's death. We are at a loss for words but please know that we are mourning with you.

*With love and prayers,
The Phillips Family*

Mary Barkley Phillips - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JW

“ Dear Patsy,

I was shocked to read Dusty's obit last night, and am so saddened for you and your family. I remember when we worked at Dental Team together, how proudly you spoke of all your children, and how excited you were when any of them came by the office. May the Lord comfort you and hold you in His hand during this tremendously difficult time. You are in my prayers. Love in Christ, Jeannie

Jeannie Wilson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

PS

“ I want to offer my sincere condolences to Dusty's family on behalf of the entire "Sumter Gamecock Family." The news was of course extremely shocking. My son Brian was the one who first told me and he was extremely saddened at the news as were we all. Dusty will forever be remembered in our hearts for his unswerving commitment and dedication to everything he did. What a tremendous young man he was and it was truly a joy and an honor to have the opportunity to coach a young man of his character and integrity. Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers and will never leave our memories.

We love you all and may the Lord's indescribable peace surround and envelope you all during these tough and sorrow filled days.

Paul Sorrells - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MK

“ I know this is a very hard time for the entire family. May God be with you all as you go through this terrible time. Keep the faith. You have my sympathy...Millie

Millie Katzenberger - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

CM

“ RIP Dusty, My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Chris S. Moore - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JF

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Cook,*

I am deeply sorry for your loss. Dustin was one of the finest young men that I have ever known. His amazing courage, energy, and contagious spirit will always be with me. He had a big heart and an even bigger smile. My prayers are with you all.

Jamie Fidler

Jamie Fidler - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BJ

“ *Dear Patsy, Don and Family~*

It is with heavy hearts that we send our condolences in your loss of Dusty. One of our best memories is talking with you and Dusty on the parade deck at The Citadel...he was so proud of all that it stood for. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Cherish your memories...

Bob Jones - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and the coming days.*

Robert and Loretta Johnson

Robert Johnson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

FM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Fred Miner - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RY

“ *Many prayers will be said that you will find the strength to endure the hard times. Much love is sent that you may find comfort through family and friends.*

Much love : Rhoda & Joe.

Rhoda Yarborough - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BK

“ *Dear Don and Patsy:
It is with a heavy heart that we hear about Dusty's passing. I remember the times we went diving with him, what a wonderful time we all had.*

He was a fine young man and I know you will miss him terribly.

Accept our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your son. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.

Bruce Knoblock - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ *So sorry to hear about Dusty, our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Everyone here misses all of you very much.*

Prayers

Jim & Edna

Jim & Edna Marshall - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MS

“ Dear Patsy and Don, Cindy and family,

We are so devastated for you. Our hearts, love and prayers are with you.

May God keep you in the palm of His hand.

Marianne, Jay and Bit

Marianne and Jay Stutz - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

CJ

“ Cook Family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during your time of loss. Yours is a loving and close knit family; rest assured it's an extended family too. Please let us know whatever we can do to ease your burden during this time. Even if we didn't know Dusty personally, he was surely a reflection of your generous and fun-loving spirit. While Dusty will be greatly missed, may we all be grateful for the enduring memories.

*Sincerely,
Calvin and Sandra*

Calvin E. Daniels Jr - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

SK

“ *Patsy and Donnie,
I am so sorry to read of Dusty's passing. Cristi and I have fond memories of Dusty growing up and being our son, Brandon's Best Friend in the Sumter elementary school days! We will cherish those times and pray for you and the entire family in the coming days. I ask for God to provide you with His mercy and grace. Please accept our deepest condolences.*
Scott & Cristi Kinder

Scott & Cristi Kinder - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DS

“ *I always enjoyed sitting around talking Citadel baseball and SEC (especially Dusty's beloved Arkansas Razorbacks) sports with Dusty when Link was at The Citadel.*

Dusty was a good man. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Doc

Dr. & Mrs. John L. Saunders - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

GM

“ *Don and Pasty my thoughts and prayers are with you in your sorrow.*
Grace

Grace Mangum - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RR

“ Don and Patsy, Sheron and I would like for you to know our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family. We never expect to bury one of our children and I know this time is extremely hard for you but please know God is with you. Please let us know if there is anything we can ever do for you.

Rick and Sheron Randall

Rick and Sheron Randall - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BB

“ Mr and Mrs Cook, I was so terribly hurt to hear the news of Dusty. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God be with each of you during this trying time.

Sincerely

Bob Bell

Keesler AFB 2000-2004

Bob Bell - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BS

“ Although I never personally met Dusty, everything I've heard and read tells me that Dusty's season on earth was a beautiful one filled with love, energy, hard work and big smiles. Those qualities are the same ones that describe both of you - Patsy and Donnie. I know you are so proud of this fine young man and will miss him. God bless you both for the life and legacy that Dusty left. We love you.

Bev Meek Saunders - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DF

“ Seems like yesterday we met Dusty and the family at Lajes AS, Azores, Portugal and what a young man he was! Bright eyed, fun to be with, a member of one of the most wonderful families we had ever met and have known since. He loved sports, though he was a bit short (ran in the family, haha!) I remember going to Shaw AFB to see Dusty play basketball, he was an up and comer, a future star and I can remember to this day not seeing anyone play harder than Dusty did, he gave everything he ever did the best that he could give it, 100% was never enough! We shared many good times, good laughs, moments that will never be forgotten! Don, to you and to Patsy all I can say is to take the wonderful moments you had with Dusty and cherish them forever! Both Wanda and I can never put into words how sad we are for your loss, but want to let you know that we will always be there for you and your entire family. We love you and know that with such a wonderful, close knit family that you all will be there for one another. I am thankful that Dusty was a part of our life and will cherish his memory forever! God Bless.
Don and Wanda

don and wanda fellers - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DH

“ To all in the Cook and Knox families, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this very hard time.

Dan & Mary Jane Henderson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

SA

“ Dusty was a postively impactful person to many. And he postively impacted us in Jacksonville. He made a real difference.

Steve Avera - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RG

“ To all of Dusty's family:
Bailey and I were saddened to hear of your loss. We fondly remember Decatur and the times the whole family was there. Dusty was a very special and vibrant young man. We know that he will be missed and always remembered. We regret that we will not be able to be there with you all at the service. You all are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We love you all.

Rev. Angie Gage - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

VA

“ Mr and Mrs Cook..
I am so sorry to hear about Dusty... My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow..

Vikki Aytes - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ I met Dusty here in Jacksonville when I went to work for Merrill Lynch. He had the ability to make our day here fun and something to look forward to. He would talk about his family constantly and I know he was loved in many parts of the country. Dusty and I had the opportunity to golf together a couple times over the past year and at Amelia Island just two weeks ago with my Dad and his friend. Boy he could hit the ball far for his size. I will remember Dusty as being the best dressed every day at work, with his shirt tucked in perfectly tight. He was always wearing a watch and ironed everything. He would make his hair look better by simply wearing a hat every time he got in his car (thanks for the tip) Dusty was loved down here more than words can say and will be missed. Many prayers go out to the family. Love you man.. see you in heaven!

Jon Morgan - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

LB

“ Don, Patsy, and Family; Jane and I send our sympathy and will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. In Christian Love,

Larry and Jane Brooks - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RW

“ May your family find comfort in the lord at this time and may he watch over your son. God bless you.
Ron and Sharon Philpott Wood

Ronald & Sharon Philpott Wood - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DL

“ We were heart broken to hear of the sudden loss of your son. I remember our boys & your children playing on the sidewalk that summer long ago at Grandma Betty's house. Great memories of happy children. May God give you his comfort & peace at this sad time in your life. We are praying for all the family.

David & Connie Lashley - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

SJ

“ Don and Family,
You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. May the Lord watch over you and your family during this most difficult time.

Susan Jackowski - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DC

“ Dusty you will be missed, we know you are now one of Gods awesome angels and with your Grandpa Cook , and Grandpa and ma Knox. Bless you and we will see you again someday. Love ya
Dave and Deb

David & Deb Cook - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

CN

“ Don and Patsy, I was so sad to hear about your loss. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.
God Bless You
Cindy

Cindy Newsom - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

EK

“ Dusty was an amazing guy- his smile lit up the room and he always had a way of making you feel good about yourself. I could always count on Dusty to cheer me up, lend an ear, and make me laugh. Whatever Dusty was passionate about, he gave his all to- from staying up all night baking for the work cookie exchange to cheering on his Razorbacks. His life was short, but his light was strong. He was my buddy, and he will be missed.

Erin Koelbel - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

AC

“ To the Cook Family. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Just know we will never forget you. Your son is like our extended family because of our working relationship here at Keesler AFB. God Bless

Alice Cunningham - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BM

“ Don and family, I cannot even imagine your heartache during this time. As parents we always think our children will bury us. Know that you, your wife and family are in our prayers. In this time, look to God for strength.

Bill Middleton - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

PN

“ Michelle and I would like to express our deepest sympathy to Donnie and Patsy and all of the family. All of you will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Preston Newbill - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

IB

“ I am so sorry about your loss. May God be with all of you and hold you in his arms. I know this is a difficult time but God will walk you through it. I love you all and am praying for you daily.

Ivy

Ivy Bryant - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JU

“ You will be greatly missed Dusty!

Julie - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

HE

“ Don, Patsy and family,

You are in our thoughts and prayers. He lifts us up when we can not reach, may there be comfort knowing you are in the Palm of His hands. We are so sorry for you loss.

Harry and Kathy Elwood - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BM

“ We love you all and have continually prayed for the entire family.

Bill & Michal Montgomery - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BS

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you. So sorry for your loss.

Belinda Londagin Shetlar - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Dusty had a lot of talent and one of the best to step on da football field. For his size he was a tremendous athlete. He will always be remembered by the Sumter High Gamecock family. RIP Dusty!!

Sgt Bernard Hudson SR - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RH

“ Our deepest sympathies for your loss of Dusty. Your church family at Decatur United Methodist Church sends you their warm love and encouragement in your time of grief. May the Lord grant you peace and comfort.

Rev. Russ Hall - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MD

“ May God bless you and strengthen you during this time. I will keep you uplifted in prayers. Dusty's smile and stories at work really brightened up the whole area on a daily basis. I know we all miss him and are grateful we had the opportunity to have him as a part of our work life these past years.

Melanie Deighan - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MJ

“ Don, Patsy and Family,

It's hard to understand why people are taken from us, but find comfort in knowing you were a special part of a well-lived life. When the Lord calls our loved ones homes, he leaves a gift of memories in exchange. I have wonderful memories of our families being together in the Azores. We were heart broken to hear of Dusty's passing. He was a fine young man.

Wishing you and your family strength and peace at this sorrowful time. Your're in our thoughts and prayers.

Murlene Jones - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BP

“ We cannot even imagine what Dusty's family is going through but we will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Dusty was a very good friend of our boys and was always so polite and a joy to be around. He made the world a brighter place and his memory will continue to do so. We know he will be greatly missed by his many, many friends and family.

Bryan & Cindy Patton - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

VB

“ Dear Mr. Cook and Family: I am truly sorry for your lose. May God be with you and your family in this time of need. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

*Valerie Bernier
Shaw Lodging*

Valerie Bernier - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DM

“ Dear Patsy, Don, Brent, Kaci, and Cindy, We were so shocked to hear about Dusty. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. May your love and faith, with the help of God, pull you through this sad time. Love, Debbie, Johnny, Amanda and Allison

Debbie and Johnny Miller - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

CM

“ Words can not adequately express our shock and immense sorrow to learn of Dusty's passing. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family during this difficult time.

Curt and Mary Marshall - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

FH

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I have many fond memories of the little boy and his family I met so many years ago at the terminal on a windy night in the Azores.

Fred Harris - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DW

“ Mr Cook & family,
May the Lord God Almighty give you peace that passes all understanding during this difficult time. My prayers are with you all.
You will get through this.

Davin Watson

Davin Watson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

PP

“ Don, Patsy, and family - We are truly sorry to hear of the loss of your son. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

Paul and Jo Ann Pearl - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

LH

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Cook Family*
My heart goes out to you and your family. I worked with you son and he touch so many lives at Merrill Lynch. He always was there and helped many people. He also gave a smile and always talked about the love for his family. I will be praying for you and your family. There was no one like our little friend Dusty.

Linda Howard - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JL

“ *Don, Patsy and family...I am so sorry about Dusty's passing...It was a total shock and I know the sadness in your heart will be there for a while. Celebrate his life and cherish all the fond memories that will pop up each day. Please know that you are in my heart and prayers each day. Love you both.*

Jeanie Lessley - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RB

“ *Don, Patsy, Kaci and others - Sorry to hear of your sudden loss, please find comfort and support from each other. You are in my thoughts and prayers, Karen*

Ricky and Cheryl Behrends - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

MD

“ *Don and Patsy,*

Our hearts are with you in this time of sorrow. My the wonderful memories of Dusty comfort you in the days ahead.

Michelle and Phil Davis - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DB

“ *To The Cook Family,*

Our deepest sympathy goes out to all of you since the passing of your precious Dusty. Please know that our prayers are with you all at this time.

David and Danna Bounds - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

RM

“ *Don, Patsy and family,*

So sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and praying for you. Your Keesler family is with you always.

Roger and Cindy Milford - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

AS

“ *Don and Patsy and Family,*

We were stunned to learn of Dusty's passing and can only imagine your own shock and sadness. Please know that you all are in our hearts and prayers as well as those of many friends here on the Gulf Coast.

There are no adequate words to express our condolences, but please know we love you all and pray for strength, peace, and faith in the coming days and beyond.

You have a wonderful loving family and will help each other to endure this heart wrenching time. God Bless You,

Love, Ann & Frank Smith

Ann & Frank Smith - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DH

“ *I can't begin to express our sorrow to you all. I know no words can bring comfort now. Please know that you are in our constant thoughts and prayers.*

Debbie Harrison - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

BB

“ *Don and Pasty, you are in our prayers, God Bless. Matthew 5:4 and 1Peter 5:7*

Bob & Karen Bertels - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DS

“ *Duane and I would like to express our most sincere condolences for your loss. We are so sorry! We'll keep you and your family in our prayers.*

Duane & Carmen Steed - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

SW

“ Don, Patsy and family - please accept my heartfelt condolences on your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Glenn

Sandy & Pete Wilkinson - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JT

“ Dusty was a fine young man, full of life, caring for others. He lived his life to the fullest and he will be be truely miss. Our love and prays go out to the Cook family and friends, for we have lost a true son and friend. God Bless you Dusty.

James Taylor - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

LF

“ Patsy,Don and family
Our prayers are with you through this difficult time.

Lois & Dan Frye - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

DM

“ Donnie & Patsy,
We are praying for God's comfort, peace and protection during this tragedy. Nothing will fill the void left in your broken hearts by Dusty's passing. Please know that there are many people praying for you... I hope there is comfort in knowing that. Love you both.
Sandy

Donnie and Sandy Millsap - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM

NM

“ *Just wanted you to know how very sorry we were to hear about Dusty. Will always remember him as this little child running around with so much energy and always on the go. We will be unable to attend the services as we are going to be out of town for a week. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Normen & Linda Martin - September 19, 2012 at 01:06 PM