



## Kenneth Gardner

January 11, 1986 - October 10, 2011

“Kenneth” James Gardner, 25, of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died October 10, 2011, on Highway 412 in Washington County, Arkansas. Born January 11, 1986 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, he was the son of Steven Wade Gardner and Catherine Anne Burtch Gardner. He was a graduate of Siloam Springs High School and was currently working as a truck shop equipment operator for Simmons Foods, Siloam Springs. Kenneth loved to hunt, fish, ride four wheelers and spend time with his daughter. Survivors include his mom and dad, Steve and Catherine of Colcord, Oklahoma; four sisters, Amy Jackson and husband David of Gravette, Arkansas, Emily Gardner of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Lara Gardner of Dallas, Texas and Martha Gardner of Fayetteville, Arkansas; one daughter Natalee Marie Gardner of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, and his maternal grandmother, Faye Burtch of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m., Friday, October 14, 2011, at Wasson memorial Chapel, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with Wil Gardner and Nick Braschler officiating. Burial will follow at the Gardner Family Cemetery. Memorial contribution information will be posted

# Tribute Wall

CG

“ We are so blessed to have had the Gardner Family in our lives when we lived in Arkansas. We moved away and missed out on watching Kenneth grow into a man, but from his roots we know he was a good young man. His childhood was straight out of a Huck Finn adventure.

*I remember picking Micah up from a sleepover with Kenneth at the farm on the river in Arkansas. Watching Kenneth's quiet, almost shy temperament among his outgoing sisters was hilarious to watch!*

*Kenneth and Micah were riding the quad across the field with the girls running after them trying to catch a ride. Kenneth was laughing, teasing his sisters; Micah was hanging on for the ride!*

*Kenneth and Micah could have been brothers both as brown and tan as two nuts after a summer of fun on the creek fishing and camping. The stories of their great 'hunting' adventures were always exciting and they probably had swapped blood a couple times to qualify as blood-brothers. Kenneth was 100% boy and the best buddy ever to Micah; Kenneth made my sons childhood a boyhood dream!*

*Thank you Steve and Cathy for sharing your son with us.*

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**Cindy Garman** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

DW

“ Don & I are sorry for your loss and our thoughts are with you.

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**Don & Debra Woodson** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

GJ

“ Steve and Kathy,  
Anna and I were so very sorry to hear of Kenny's passing last week. We were out of town and could not attend the service, but please know of our sadness for your incredible loss. We're praying for the Lord to give you grace, strength, and a peace, far beyond your own inner resources in your awful loss.

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**Glen Jones** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

LT

“ catherine and family...you are in my thoughts and prayers...Lindy

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**Lindy Taylor** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

MW

“ catherine...i am so sorry to read about kenneth...i will say a prayer for you all...marcia

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**marcia wheeler** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

VH

“ Steve, Cathy and family,

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Kenneth will be greatly missed by many, but trust in God as He is the ultimate Comforter. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Vicki Hilliard** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

DS

“ Steve, Cathy and Girls, Words can not express the sorrow I share with you. I know your grief is heavy. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. And we'll remember the good times with that active, dark-haired kid with a big grin.

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**Doug Siemens** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

PO

“ Steve and Family,  
My sincerest sympathy. My prayers and thoughts are with you. This is a time to share your load and let friends and family help share the burden. God bless.

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**Pete Onstott** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

JM

“ Kenneth was a very good friend to my son Travis. They rode 4 wheelers and spent time fishing at the river often. I know they had many things in common and had a great friendship. I know there are no words to comfort at this time. I am so sorry for your loss. I pray for peace and the pain to ease.

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**Julie Martin** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

RB

“ We remember Kenny as a handsome little boy, full of life. We can't even imagine your grief at this loss. You are in our prayers for courage, strength, and encouragement from God's word, friends and family. We are so sorry for this tragedy and loss of your precious son.

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**Randy & Lynna Blackwell** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

KB

“ My heart is heavy for your loss. I always thought Kenneth was a great young man and was blessed by him daily. I talked to him not too long ago and he seemed to be happy which made me glad. I pray you find peace in your hearts.

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**Ken Bolinger** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

WS

“ Dear Gardner Family, our hearts are saddened by the news of Kenneth passing. He was a good man and a great dad to Natalie. You can be very proud of the son you raised. He will be looking down on us everyday and helping guide us all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time of loss.

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**Wayne and Kim Myrick Sr.** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

MB

“ So terribly sorry for your loss, you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Marvin Brown** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

JT

“ Steve, Cathy and girls we are so sorry to hear about Kenneth. We seen him go by all the time on his bike and hoped for his safe return each time. If there is anything at all you need please ask.

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**Jack and Kim Thomason** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

SI

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Gardner Family and Natalee. Kenneth was a wonderful young man. He will be MISSED. Everytime we saw Kenneth, he had little Natalee with him. He was a Great dad.  
Steve and Catherine, please let us know if we can do ANYTHING for you. We are sooooo sorry for your loss.

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**Scott & Cathey Ivey** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

WM

“ Dear Gardner Family, we were so shocked to hear about Kenneth. We saw him and Natalie at Mom's on Saturday. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. If there is anything we can do, please let us know.

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**Will and Paula Marshall** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

DM

“ Steve, Cathy, and Girls:

*We are so sorry to hear about Kenny, wow, what a shock. I have so many good memories of Kenny, so glad we got to spend some time together with him in his earlier years. He was so easy going and just fun to be around. I have so many good memories of our rides we took together, shooting guns, going bird hunting (of course he was a much better shot than I was!), and trying to clean the pond out. I know you'll miss him greatly and the pain of losing your son will naw at you the rest of your life. Please, let us know if we can be of some help in this difficult time of your lives. We are praying for you and asking our Father to give you much comfort and encouragement. Love you all!*

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**Dwight and Marilyn** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

AS

“ Cathy, Steve, Lara, and Martha I am so sorry for your loss. My prayer for you is that God will comfort you and give you peace and strength that only he can give.

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**Ann Smythe** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

PS

“ Please know that we are praying for your family. Always remember the Lord will keep you lifted each day, some days not sure how, but He is certainly there for all your family. Pete and I know how heavy your hearts are right now. You are in our prayers.

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**Pete and Elaine Sbanotto** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

JW

“ Steve, Cathy, Amy, Emily, Lara and Martha,  
I am so sorry for your loss. We are still in shock over the accident. Kenneth and Natalie were at our house all afternoon last Saturday. We will miss his regular visits with Natalie. Your family will continue to be in my prayers. If you need anything please call, we would love to help out if it is needed.

*Jennifer Wood*

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**Jennifer Wood** - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM