



Ryan O'Rear

January 12, 2013

Mr. Ryan O'Rear, age 19, of Suwanee, GA went to be with his Lord, Jesus Christ on January 12, 2013. He is survived by his parents, Tim and Jenny O'Rear, Suwanee, GA; sister, Shannon O'Rear, Suwanee, GA; brother, Tyler O'Rear, Suwanee, GA; maternal grandmother, Carolyn Avrett, Sun City, FL; paternal grandfather, Charles O'Rear, Flintstone, GA; paternal grandmother, Joann O'Rear, Flintstone, GA; uncle, Jay Avrett, Nashville, TN; and first cousin, Lt. John Avrett and wife, Meghan, Los Angeles, CA. Mr. O'Rear was born January 24, 1993 in Atlanta, GA. He was a 2011 graduate of North Gwinnett High School in Suwanee, GA where he was captain of the 2011 Wrestling Team and competed in the State Dual Meet. He served in the United States Army. He was employed with The River Club Golf and Country Club in Suwanee, GA. He was a member of Shadowbrook Baptist Church in Suwanee, GA. He loved football, baseball and wrestling and was an avid hunter, fisherman and outdoorsman. Funeral service will be held on Friday, January 18, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at Shadowbrook Baptist Church with remains placed in state at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Rev. Bobby Linkous officiating. Interment will follow at Level Creek Cemetery in Suwanee, GA. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 4:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Donations may be made to the Ryan O'Rear Memorial Fund at Community and Southern Bank in Buford, GA in memory of Ryan O'Rear. Proceeds from the fund will be used to assist individuals with financial burdens associated with recovery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ryan O'Rear*

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“ *Though we grew apart through the years you were always a great memory as my childhood best friend and it was pretty crazy when we started talking again. It's a shame to see you go like that but know you'll always have a place in my heart.*

Alex Weaver - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ryan, I cant believe you have left this earth. I remember all the great times we had together and what a great person you were. You were always so positive, so energizing to be around. You touched so many lives and you most certainly touched mine. Rest in peace my friend i love you and always will. Peace and God be with your family.*

Luke Weathersby - February 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Dear Tim, Jenny and Family,

We are deeply sorry for your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family members.

Tim and Jenny, you are both very special and caring people who have helped us and given your advice during our time of need with our son Mike. We are very thankful for your friendship.

*Thank you and God Bless you,
Kenneth and Diane Lay*

Kenneth and Diane Lay - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ *I am so very sorry for your loss, my thoughts and Prayers are with you.*

*Love,
Ginger O'Rear*

GINGER O'REAR - January 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Tim, Jenny and family,*

Lynn and I are very saddened for the loss of your son. We will pray for you and your family to keep faith in the difficult days ahead. May God bless and comfort all of you.....Love Lynn and Rob

Robert & Lynn Monroe - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ You were an awesome person to meet, there were n any times you motivated me to continue through one of the hardest times of my life, basic training, miss you man ill seeya when I regroup the 're

Joshua Wilson - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Tim,
I am so sorry to hear about the death of your Son Ryan. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Stay true to your Faith. God heals all wounds.

Paulette

Paulette Berry - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ What a beautiful young man. I'm so very sorry to hear this. I will keep your family in my prayers and I am here for you at any time. Sometimes we just don't understand, however know, the Lord is right there with you and WILL get your family through this. I pray for strength and comfort for your family.

Chris Renje

Chris Renje - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ Tim, Jenny, and family, My heart goes out to all of you in this tragic time. I can only imagine your grief. Sending you wishes for comfort, strength, and peace.

Lynette VanHyfte - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

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Joshua Wilson - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Tim & Jenny,
So sorry for your loss. Our prayers will be with you and your family.

Tripp & Gail Bates

Tripp & Gail Bates - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Tim and Jenny I just wanted to let you know how sorry I am to hear about Ryan and he will be missed by many. I know it is and will be hard not to have him with you but I know as you do the lord had a plan for him and he is a HAPPY young man now and in peace. Your family are in my prayers! Rocky

Rocky Platt - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ I just want to send words of strength to the family. Our God of peace be with you. Phil.4:6-7- continue to make your wants known to God, don't fret about anything, God peace keep your hearts and mind through Christ Jesus. We shared at the NAMI classes together.
Love, from Wanda and Willa

Wanda McDowell - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ *Tim, Just know that you & your family are in my heart & in my prayers. Much love, Annette North, Flintstone, Ga.*

Annette North - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *I remember Ryan as a sweet 10 year old. I am so sorry for your loss and hope that you find peace, knowing that he will be fondly remembered by many.*

Jo Hubbard - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Tim, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family during this very difficult time. Hold on to your faith and know that Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal. Your son is not lost, he is home with His heavenly Father. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.*

A State Farm Family Member

Brenda Reese - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *My deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved son, Ryan. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.*

Bronwyn Jennings - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ *Tim, Jenny, Tyler, and Shannon:
I am so sorry for this terrible loss. I love Ryan very much. You all know how much he meant to me and how much y'all mean to me. My heart is heavy but have found so much comfort in knowing he is in heaven and he is with our father in heaven. Thank you for letting me love him and be his friend and accepting me into your lives.*

*Love you all,
Lexi*

Lexi - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Tim,
Thinking of you and your family at this time.
Jason*

Jason Duggan - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ *We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your son, Ryan. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers for God's comfort and strength to be upon you during this very difficult time.*

-Robert & Katherine Strickland

Robert Strickland, Jr. - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Tim, Jenny and family,
Words cannot express my sorrow and I want you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I have such wonderful memories of Wade and Ryan playing baseball and football together through the years. I pray that you have comfort in knowing that he is in heaven.

Love, Gail Avera

Gail Avera - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ I had Ryan in my first year Spanish class at North Gwinnett. He was full of life and had a way of making everyone smile! I am so very sorry for your loss. "Nacho" will truly be missed.
~Sra. Mardos (MacLaren)

Jennifer Mardos (MacLaren) - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ My heart is filled with sadness for your family. I have loved the O'rear family since meeting Tim at State Farm. May God be ever near each of you. in Christian love Ruby Aldridge.

Ruby Aldridge - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry for such a painful loss. Ryan was an amazing, happy, big-hearted person. Throughout high school he was the kind of guy that was friends with everybody. He brought so much laughter & never-ending smiles to others' faces. I have so many memories of him that I will cherish forever.. Rest in Peace Ryan. Keep an eye on us all.

Mary Covington - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Dear Jenny & Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and in my prayers. May God give you peace and may you treasure your memories of him forever.
With love,
Carolyn

Carolyn Chapple - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Tim, Jenny & Family,
Words can not express how sorry I am. May God comfort and look over you all during this time. You are all in my prayers.

Michelle Reyes - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Tim,

I was so sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.

Susan Pirkle - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. With love, The Boykins

Jimbo and Celia Boykin - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Jenny,

I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and will continue to pray for peace for you and your family. I can only imagine what pain you feel and I pray that God will help ease the pain as only HE can do.

Valerie Holmes

Valerie Holmes - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *Sending up prayers of support.*

Earl Meggison - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *I am so very sorry to learn of the passing of Ryan. I was a former State Farm co-worker and member of Shadowbrook Baptist Church. You have my deepest sympathy on the loss of your precious son. May God sustain you during this difficult time.*

Sherry Morgan - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Received the bad news from Heather at the bank yesterday. My heart hurts for both of you at the lost of your son. Just know that he is at peace now and in God,s hands....what a wonderful place to be. You are both in our thoughts and prayers.*

Joanne and Gerald Mann - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Rest In Peace Ryan. You were like a brother to me. I know today you are walking on streets of gold with Jesus Christ. We are gonna miss you, but one day ill see you in heaven. I expect a big hug dude. I love ya bro.

Austin Durnwald - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Praying God will comfort you at this sad time.

Earle, Sheila & Jeremy Cooley - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I am so very sorry for your family's loss. I want you to know that you are on many many people's hearts and minds and also in many prayers. I never had the chance to meet Ryan but I do know his parents and they are people full of goodness. Tim, I think the world of you and your kind heart. I am at a loss for words but want you to know that I am praying for strength and comfort for your family.

Julie Svardh - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ The entire Bryant Family, Sam and Teresa Bryant, Terry and Diedre (Bryant) Nida and Doug and Diana Bryant, Jim and Amanda Bryant are all praying for you in this time of grief. I pray that the comfort of the Holy Spirit will be with all of you. Draw near to God, take comfort in Him.

Marlyn Bryant Robinson - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Tim, and Jenny, I am so sorry to hear about Ryan. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Lori

Lori Litsky - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

L(

“ I am so heavy hearted for you and God has already placed you on my heart several times to pray for you. I pray He will give you the peace that passes all understanding and comfort beyond measure.

Laura King (Chiodo) - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Tim, Jenny and Family
Our words are not adequate to express the sorrow we feel for your loss. Your son was an inspiration to everyone around him. We were so blessed and lucky to have known his beauty. We will keep his spirit alive with the many memories we hold close to our heart.
Renee and Butch Bishop

Renee Bishop - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ We are so sorry. We pray God will comfort you.

Robert Strickland - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dear Tim and Jenny,
I am praying for comfort and healing for you and your family. I am so very sorry.
Love, Jenny Kwasigroh

Jenny Kwasigroh - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Tim, Jenny, I cannot imagine how tough this is for you. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Our hearts go out to you. Mark, Sally Clay and Erin*

Sally Clay Smith - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *To the O'Rear family,
Our heart aches for you over the loss of Ryan. Words cannot express our sorrow. Since graduation, we were able to keep up with Ryan, through Greg. We were very proud of his accomplishments in the Army, as I know you were too. Please accept our deepest condolences and know that you have a huge support group. Your old football family is always your family!
Love, Chuck, Jackie, Greg and James Hicks*

Jackie Hicks - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Tim & Jenny,*

I simply don't know what to say but join you in your mourning for a wonderful young man. I pray that God will numb the pain and give you the peace that only He can while you allow others to take care of you during this time.

Scott Weaver - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *Tim and Jenny,*

Please accept our heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time.

Keith & Suzanne Rabitsch - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ryan and his family and loved ones. He is missed by many. Kenny S-Serenity House

Kenny S - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ We are so very sorry for your loss of a wonderful son and brother. May you find strength, understanding & peace in God's love during this sorrowful time.
God Bless,
Brandi & Patrick Mathieu

Patrick & Brandi Mathieu - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. You have helped many people through difficult times, and know there will be many who love and will help you.

Julie and Carl Kessler - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Tim, Jenny and family,

Words cannot express my deepest sympathy for your pain and loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Praying for God's peace and comfort today and in the days ahead. Love you. Jennifer

Jennifer Burnette - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ We cannot begin to know what you are going through now but please know that the thoughts and prayers of the Anderson family are with you during this difficult time.

Bobby, Gloria, Michael, Alex and Max Anderson

Bobby Anderson - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SZ

“ Dear Tim, Jenny, Tyler, and Shannon, I can't imagine what you are feeling, but I want to express my condolences to y'all. Please let me know of any way I can help. You continue to be in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless!

Love, Susan and family

Susan Zotta - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Mr. Tim, Mrs. Jenny, Tyler and Shannon, It seems like just the other day we were all growing up together. Playing in each others backyards, swimming, playing man hunt, riding bikes, hanging out by the bus stop, and Friday night football games. It deeply saddens and hurts to know that we've lost a brother and a great friend. I'm so sorry for your loss. Heaven has gained an angel and we gained a guardian angel who will always watch over us. God bless you and comfort your hearts.

~The Higgs family

Allie and Zach Higgs, Christine Job - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Tim, Jenny, Tyler, and Shannon;*

Our hearts are broken and we weep in grief at your loss. As you walk through the next days/weeks/months/years of your lives you can find peace in the knowledge that Ryan is with our Lord. If you need, all you have to do is call out and we will be there. You all are so loved. Our prayers, thoughts, and heartfelt wishes go out to you all.

God Bless and Keep All of You.

*The Goularts
Don, Anne, Kristen, and Michael*

The Goulart Family - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *I am so sorry. May God grant your family strength. Lillie Godinez*

Lillie Godinez - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Dear O'Rear Family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Ryan was a great kid, I very much remember how kind he was to Matthew those 2 years he wrestled. He really made a good impression with me. Matt has some good memories of being on the Team with Ryan and how Ryan treated him. My heart goes out to you all, I pray God's Peace, Love and Grace comforts you in this time of sorrow. I have read so many post from people, all saying how much they loved your son, what great memories they have, and so much more. I will be praying.

*Love in Christ,
Genia & Matt Smith*

Genia & Matt Smith - January 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *Tim, Jenny and family: We are so very sorry. We can't begin to imagine your pain, and we pray that God's comfort and guidance are bestowed upon you. Our hearts and prayers are with you. Love George and Pat Ledon*

George and Pat Ledon - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *I'm saddened & shocked by the loss of Ryan. Tim & family I pray that God will grant you peace and understanding as you deal with the tragic loss of Ryan. I Love you brother! GOD BLESS!*

John Jefferson - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ No words can express how we all feel for your family at this time so I won't try. Know that you are in our prayers.

Tony and Jane Nix - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We are so saddened by the news of Ryan's death. We are praying your families and peace in your hearts.

Dana & Josh Bowen - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Schott family

Schott family - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Tim, Jenny, Tyler & Shannon,

I want you to know how sorry I am for your loss of a wonderful son/brother, Ryan. I do not know you all personally, but I know a friend of Ryan's who was a close friend to him, Lexi Christopher. I unfortunately, know the loss of a child. Seek to God for his strength, comfort and grace in this journey. Always here if you need us for anything. Keeping you close in thoughts and prayers.

(((hugs))),

Dana, Steven, Korbin, Jadalyn & Ridge Wright

Dana Wright - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Tim,

We cannot imagine what you and your family are feeling right now. Just know that earth has no sorrow that God cannot heal. He will help you through this difficult time. We have been and will continue to pray for you and your family.

Keith & Jennifer Gibby - Mobile, AL

Keith & Jennifer Gibby - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Jenny,

My deepest sympathy for your loss. You are such a sweet awesome lady! I pray that the Lord will comfort you and your family during this very sad time.

You and your family are in my prayers!

*Much Love,
Lisa*

Lisa Fowler - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ *My dear friends, I am saddened by the death of your dear son and brother, Ryan. This is my declaration of prayer for you, Creator God, You are their steadfast presence in their forever changed world. Lord, Jesus Christ, thank You that You surround them with Your constant prayers through their journey of grief. My prayers will be with you long after the funeral, the visitors and your return to every day life. If there is any practical help you need, please call upon us. I want to thank you for any support you gave to me after my son passed away. Diana*

Diana & Kirk Otterman - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Jenny & Tim,
We are so sorry for your loss. It seems like yesterday we were watching him with the other kids at our reunion playing in the pool. We cannot image what you are going through. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Karen & Doug Rhodes - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Dear Jenny and family,

Keep the wonerful memories of your loved one alive

and hope and peace be with you. You all are in my

prayers.

A co-woker,
Dianne Emerson

Dianne Emerson - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Tim I am so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Anissa McCammon - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Dear Tim, Jenny and family,

*We were so very sorry to hear about Ryan. We have so many fond memories of Ryan and your family from our time in Georgia. Our thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy are with you at this time.
Ken, Michelle and Kyler Wells*

Ken Wells - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Ryan and I played for the Cardinals baseball team together with his father as the coach when we were little. I knew Ryan throughout high school as well. We are both graduates of the 2011 class. He will be missed very much so. And I pray that God wraps his arms around the family and friends affected by this, as they go through such a hard time. Thank you Ryan for your service and thank you God for his life.*

Michael Hart - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Ed & BJ Danson - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *There are never any answers, but I pray that God comforts your family during your time of sorrow. Know that y'all are such a rock in the North Gwinnett Community, and there are many many prayers and caring hearts out there for you. God Bless!*

Carrie LaPointe - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *Tim, Jenny and Family I know there are no words that can express the pain you feel right now. Thank God that HE understands even the silent cries of our hearts, for there is no greater pain than the loss of a child. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Ryan was and will always be a very special person and a wonderful son, for he is with our Lord now in Heaven*
Love, Lechele, Jimmy, James, Rhiannon and Barbara Wendlandt (my mother)

Lechele Russell - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *I'm sorry. God Bless you all, Jimmy DuBose*

Jimmy DuBose - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ *It is with great sadness of heart & soul that we write and remember you, Tim, Jenny, Tyler & Shannon in the midst of your painful loss. There is no way for us to know how you feel inside, but we are both encouraged and admiring of your strength and the ability to stand upon your Faith in God. We know Ryan is, and will be missed; but we are also confident that he is now in the presence of our compassionate Savior. Godspeed to you all, and peace...*

George & Robin Holcombe, and Family - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Dear Jenny and Family:*

I am so sorry for the loss of Ryan. Although I never met him, I know he is a special young man as I read about him. He is your son and angel and just know that many, many people are praying for your family. God Bless.

Laurel (Kemp) Wilkerson - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Tim, Jenny and family, Steve and I are so saddened at the loss of your precious son. Know that we will be praying for y'all in the difficult days and months to come. God bless and comfort each of you. Steve and Susie Williams

Susie Williams - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Love you all so much. So glad I knew Ryan he really blessed my life and made me laugh so many times.
I will be praying for you all
Love Ethel {aka BANA}and Bill

Bana - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Praying for you Tim and Jenny, Tyler and Shannon - you are loved very much! Diane Rowlands

Diane Rowlands - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. May the peace of the Holy Spirit sustain you. I know we do not know each other, other than being neighbors, but please do not ever hesitate to call on us for anything. You are in our prayers.

*In Christ,
The Thompson Family
Jason, Julianne, Tori, and Hayden*

Jason and Julianne Thompson - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ I will remember Ryan as a good, kind, polite, generous and handsome young man. Ryan's death was a tragedy, but I know God is taking good care of him in Heaven.

Kailey's Grandma Jan - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ So very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the O'Rear family. Praying HE will bring peace and HIS strength during this difficult time. May your faith help sustain you. Love in Christ to the entire family.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM