



Rhett Anthony Murrell

June 18, 1987 - November 4, 2010

Funeral services for Rhett Anthony Murrell will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, November 11, 2010, at the Waynoka First Christian Church with Pastor Mike Paddy officiating. Interment will be in the Memorial Hill Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Waynoka, LLC.

A gift and a treasure, Rhett Anthony Murrell was born on June 18, 1987. His life on earth ended November 4, 2010 at the age of 23.

Rhett accepted Christ in his early years and was a member of The First Christian Church of Waynoka. He was active in his church and ran the sound system for the Sunday service throughout his high school years.

Rhett attended school in Cherokee, Alva and Waynoka, Oklahoma and San Antonio, Texas. During his seventh grade year in San Antonio, he took the college-level entrance exam (SAT) and achieved college level scores. These scores allowed him to take advanced courses in residence at the University of Denver and Texas Tech during the summer of his seventh grade year. He attended high school in Waynoka and played sports as a proud Waynoka Railroader, lettering in football, track and weight lifting. He was nominated for Boys State.

Rhett loved his country and served proudly in the Army National Guard for six years. Rhett first joined the Oklahoma Army National Guard his junior year of high school and attended his basic training at Ft. Benning, Georgia during the summer between his junior and senior year. Upon graduation from high school, Rhett received a joint ROTC/NMMI full scholarship to attend school

and advanced ROTC training at New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) in Roswell, New Mexico. He was a member of the New Mexico Army National Guard. In July of 2008, out of 125 cadets beginning the rigorous program, Rhett was one of 18 to complete his Associates of Science Degree and commission as a Second Lieutenant. Within the ROTC Cadet program at NMMI, he received a rarely achieved high ranking of Command Sgt Major. Following graduation from NMMI, he moved to Ft. Collins, Colorado and attended Colorado State University. He transferred to the Colorado Army National Guard and served as an infantry officer and at the time of his death he was serving as a staff officer in Battalion Headquarters. Rhett had a strong passion for the military and loved his country. Many times Rhett spoke of his passion and concern for the safety of the men who were in his command. Rhett enjoyed spending time with his friends, techno music, video games, cooking and working out.

He is preceded in death by his grandfather, Buddy L. Young and his grandmother Stella Murrell.

Rhett is survived by his parents Richard and Connie Moore of Waynoka, Oklahoma; Tony and Janelle Murrell of Elk City, Oklahoma; a brother, Ryan Murrell of Roswell, New Mexico; a sister, Valerie Moore, of Santa Barbara, California; his grandmother, Dorothy Young of Alva, Oklahoma; his grandfather, Buddy Murrell, Cherokee, Oklahoma; a nephew Dalton Moore of Oklahoma City; his loving aunts and uncles, Sherry Gruber and her husband, Tom, of Oklahoma City, Donna Brown and her husband, Lowell, of Bella Vista, Arkansas, David Murrell and his wife, Marie, of Duncan, Oklahoma, Andy Murrell of Cherokee, Oklahoma, Cyndi Burriss and her husband, Jon, of Edmond, Oklahoma; many friends and relatives.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to The First Christian Church Family Life Center, 1971 Waynoka Street, Waynoka, Oklahoma 73860.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rhett Anthony Murrell*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Connie, Richard and Ryan. I have been out of town and just heard about your loss of Rhett. I am so incredibly sorry to hear this terrible news. Please know my prayers are with you all. Trust in God, lean on each other. I will talk with you soon. Love, Sharon*

sharon sims - November 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Connie, there are no words to express my sympathy and sadness for you now. Just know that I am fervently praying for you and the rest of Rhett&s family. I will be in touch with you soon. I love you friend.*

Lori Woolf - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Connie, I&m so sorry to hear of your loss. Rhett obviously was an incredible young man. My prayers are with you and your family.*

Su-Su Hackett Sawyer - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Connie, I am so sorry to hear of your loss! Our prayers are with you and your family. Love Nancy and Family*

Nancy Worley - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ We were so sorry to hear about Rhett. I feel that losing a child is the greatest loss anyone can experience. Even though it doesn't seem possible right now, the sorrow will eventually lessen. I didn't believe those words when they were said to us, but know now that they are true. Put your faith in God and allow him to help. In the words of Adolfo Quezanda, "My tears are the words with which I tell God of my pain." We are here if you need to talk. "He heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds." Psalm 147:3

Rex Ivan and Carolyn Baird - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DI

“ Dear Connie, My deepest thoughts of sympathy go to you and your family. I am so sorry you have to experience this. Your loss is unimaginable. I remember Rhett being in Ms. Sines's Colors preschool years ago with Austin. We would love for them to always be a carefree preschooler. My prayer is that you will find comfort in the knowledge that God wraps his strong arms around us when we most need it and gives us unfathomable peace in the hardest situations.

Dixie - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Connie, Richard & Ryan Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Greg and Sharon - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. I can still remember that smiling face at the snow cone stand. He was also such a joy. May God take your hands and comfort you.

Lisa (Evans) Lopshire - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ to the family: i am so sorry for the loss my love and prayers go out to all of you rhett was a great person and will be missed by many. to Rhett: i know we didnt hang out a lot but you were a great guy and ill miss ya :(

Bobby Dean - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Richard, Connie, and Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I pray our Lord will comfort you in your grief as you lean on Him.
Carol King

Rhett Murrell - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ connie.tony i am sorry to hear of the passing of your son.i only knew rhett from when robin and i lived across the street from you mom and dad.rhett would have been about 8 or 9 then,but even then he was a very well mannered young man.as a father my heart aches for you.i pray that god will be with both of you.

raymond knabe - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ Connie and Richard, I have so many memories of Rhett that I will always hold dear. I&ll never forget him coming to get me on Sundays so we could play dinosaurs or watching movies at his Grandmas. You and your family are in my prayers.

Tanya Koehn - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ As parents ourselves our heart breaks for you and your family.

Trooper Jimmy & Julie Helm - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ I am so sorry to hear about this, I remember babysitting Rhett when I was younger and you all lived in Cherokee. I pray the Lord wrap you all in his comforting arms and help you find peace as only He can. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and we are so sorry for your loss. Brandon and Karri (Jay) Goss

Karri (Jay) Goss - November 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I am so sorry my prayers are with you all.

Debbie Hayes - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ REST IN PEACE BROTHER!!

Thiago Richen - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ To Rhett&s family, I was saddened to hear about Rhett&s death. I want to extend my deepest sympathy to all of you. I am glad that I had the opportunity of being Rhett&s second grade teacher in Alva. He was an excellent student and I have very nice memories of him being a sweet second grader. I was proud for him when his mother told me what he had decided to do with his life and was doing so well. May there be comfort in knowing someone so special will never be forgotten. God bless all his family.

Lavon Wiersig - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“*Connie, Richard and Ryan- our prayers and thoughts are with you all. We are so sorry for your loss and pray that God&s mercy and comfort be with your family always. We love you all and please know that we are here for you should you need anything at all. Because of the Lord&s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. Lamentations 3:22*

Dave and Linda Sadler - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KE

“*Mr. and Mrs. Murrell, I had the pleasure of meeting Rhett several times this summer when he came to my home in Fort Collins. Rhett had struck up a friendship with my daughter and because of their association I was able to enjoy his charming personality. I was extremely distraught to learn of his death. My heart aches so much for you and his loved ones. He was a fine young man. Please accept my deepest, deepest sympathy for your loss. I pray that you find peace in knowing that he is with his Lord. Sincerely, Kathryn Eccleston*

Kathryn Eccleston - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“*Connie and Richard and Family, So Sorry to hear about Rhett. I will always remember the very smart child I taught children&s church to. He was a treasure. Please accept my condolences. If you need anything, please let me know. In Gods Love, Tobi Buttell Hayes*

Tobi Hayes - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Murrell Family Our heart goes out to the Murrell family in their loss of Rett. Although we had not seen Rett since he was a small child we know all of his loving family. You just have to keep leaning on the man upstairs and he will give you strength. We are so sorry.

Bethel & Marty Myers - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family now and always. God Bless.

Gary Tyree and family - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Connie and Richard, Please know that you are in my constant thoughts and prayers. Even though I had never met Rhett, I have heard only great things about him; he must have been a very special young man. My hope is that the many wonderful memories you have, will sustain you through this most difficult of all times. Love and Blessings

Deana Case - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ i am sorry for your lose i am here if u need any thing he was a special person

vickie howell - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VR

“*Connie, Richard, Ryan, and Valerie, we wish to express our deep sympathy and sadness in the loss of Rhett, your beloved son and brother. May God&s love surround and comfort you during this difficult time, and the memory of the wonderful young man that Rhett was, live on in your hearts.*

Victoria, Micah and James, Leiloni and Rick - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FR

“*Connie and family , we send our thought and prayers for your entire family . We are so sorry for your loss and pray that God wraps his love around you now and for everyday that follows . Familia Ramirez*

Familia Ramirez - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“*Connie & Richard...Even tho& you don&t know us, you&re in our thoughts and prayers, as we can relate to the loss of a child. We pray that you may find comfort from special memories, and that the love and prayers of friends and family will help to console you. (Connie, I knew your Grandmother Young.)*

Dale & Vaughna Schmidt - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“*Connie and Richard, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of the family. May your memories help you through this and may God hold your hand.*

Laura Cormack - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“*Connie, Richard and Ryan, God loves us and wants only good for us. Cherish the fact that Rhett was a Christian and he will be spending eternity with our Lord and Saviour. We will all miss him and envy his presence with God. Blessings to you all.*”

Charlene and Bill - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“*Connie and Richard...our prayers go out to you. I am so sorry for your loss.*”

Jim Duval - November 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BW

“*Connie and Richard, My thoughts and prayers are with you both. I&m so sorry for your loss. Love, Betty Wenninger*”

Betty Wenninger - November 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“*Rhett was always a great laugh and had many friends who thought the world of him. I know everyone enjoyed his company. I am so proud of the young man he became and he will always live in the hearts of everyone who knew him. Connie and Richard, I send my loving condolences for you and your family. I know God will wrap his loving arms around you in this time of need.*”

Myka Seiger - November 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM