



David L. VanCleave Obituary

July 30, 1974 - December 22, 2004

Leesburg - David Lee VanCleave, 30, of Leesburg, went to be with his Lord Jesus on Wednesday, December 22, 2004. Born July 30, 1974 in Chattanooga, TN, Mr. VanCleave was the son of Richard D. VanCleave of Smithville and Barbara Sue Smith of Ellijay. David was an independent building contractor and a member of Sherwood Baptist Church. David loved the Lord and had a heart for evangelism. Survivors include his wife, NeShawn Marie VanCleave; three sons: Aaron Lee VanCleave, Joshua Richard VanCleave and Caleb John VanCleave; a daughter, Emily NeShawn VanCleave all of Leesburg; his father, Richard D. VanCleave of Smithville; his mother, Barbara Sue Smith and her husband Melvin of Ellijay; two brothers and sisters-in-law: Daniel VanCleave and his wife Cherie and Fred VanCleave and his wife Lani; two sisters and brothers-in-law: Graceanne Bridges and her husband Ron and Gloria Long and her husband Chris; all of Leesburg; a sister, Jessica Smith and a brother Michael Smith of Ellijay; two nephews: Dylan Long, and Noah Bridges; two nieces: Faith VanCleave and Hope VanCleave; maternal grandparents, David and Elwanda Fields of Karatina, Kenya; and numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins. David was preceded in death by Tommy Leon VanCleave, paternal grandfather and Lucy Wilson, paternal grandmother. Serving as pallbearers are: Daniel VanCleave, Fred VanCleave, Ron Bridges, Chris Long, Richard VanCleave, and Mike Edalgo. Serving as honorary pallbearers are: Paul Rowe and George Vickery. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the VanCleave Family Trust Fund at

Security Bank and Trust.

Tribute Wall



“ *David L. VanCleave Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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“ *David, there isn't a second, minute, or a day go by that i wish you were here! You meant more to me than anyone will ever know. You still mean a great deal to me. Everyday i look at our children and i see there faces, and i see you in every part of them. They miss you so much, as do i. When i sat in aaron's 5th grade graduation, they showed a young picture of him and then one of the present, and all i could think about was how much you are missing out on. I do feel you watch over us and i look forward to the day when we are all together again. I Love You So Very Much, and miss you so very much. You will always be my "honeymuffin". I Love You Your Wife of alot of good years. Till i see you again. I will always love you.
Neshawn marie VanCleave Rom.8:28*

Nesi VanCleave - June 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *David, I miss you soooo much! You were such a good friend to Randy and me, I think of you often and miss our little talks we used to have. you will always be in my thoughts, we love you
David...Randy & Jennifer*

Jennifer Hatcher - March 03, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Nesi and Children,
Please know that Jeff and I thought very highly of David. He was a very special person who often put others needs before his own. His warm personality was a joy to know. We are very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers often. We so wish things could have been different.*

Jeff and Tina

Jeff and Tina Coalson - January 26, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *I have thought of your family EVERY day since I heard about your loss. I am soooo sorry. I may look funny when you see me, but that's only because I want to say something and I don't know what to say. I know you believe in God and one of my favorite scriptures is in Isaiah. It says that one day life will be so good that we won't remember the things that make us sad today. But until then, know that I am thinking of you.*

Loria Cody - January 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Nesi,

I'm thinking of you, and wishing you Hope in the midst of sorrow,
Comfort in the midst of of pain. With Heartfelt Smypathy
Love Jodi Lynn*

Jodi Woods - January 12, 2005 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Nesi and kids.my thoughts and prayers are with you,no there is going to be time for healing. Thinking of you, Dave*

David Woods - January 12, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I would like to express my deepest condolences. The Lord works in mysterious ways, may His will be done and not ours. Praying for you.

Ben

Benjamin Fields - January 03, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Barbie, Nesi, and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Your family has meant so much to so many. May God grant you strength and comfort. Love, Van and Karen Powell

Karen Powell - January 03, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you every day. I love you. I will always love you.

Aunt Carol

Carol Ann VanCleave Harmon - December 30, 2004 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ To the family, I know you already know this but I just wanted to say again that I love each of you and your all in my prayers. Don't ever hesitate if there is anything I can do. You are a strong family and you will get through this season of your life with the strength and hope of our Heavenly father.

Your sister in Christ

Angelia VanCleave - December 30, 2004 at 12:00 AM

YS

“ Words cannot express the emptiness in my heart. I know that you are in Heaven and that is what keeps me going. I miss you so much, but will see you in due time. I love you and will think of you always. Your Little Sister Gloria Long

Your little sister(Gloria) - December 29, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Be strong in this tragic time. You are in our prayers. Please don't hesitate to call if you need anything.

Destry Harmon - December 29, 2004 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ You will be missed greatly. There will always be an empty place in our heart that noone else will be able to fill. We are trusting in God's all sufficient grace to see your family through at this time. May God strengthen and comfort you.
Love, the Nathan Washer Family

Nathan and Rachel Washer - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. David was such a good man. He came in the bank often and was one of those customers you looked forward to seeing and loved to wait on. He was patient and kind and always had a smile on his face. My prayers are with you guys. Sincerely, Mary Lynn

Mary Lynn (Walker) England - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Dearest Family,

Know that we are praying for you. We are so thankful that David is with the Lord. If you need us for something, please let us know.

*Love and prayers,
Joy Washer (for the family)*

Joy Washer - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Peace be with you during this time of heartbreak. God bless all of you.*

Betty Reynolds - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. David was a very special person to me and my family. If we can help in any way please do not hesitate to call. Nesi, our prayers are with you and your children. God Bless.*

Pam Powell & The Godwin Family - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *David, I'll never forget you or the times you tried to talk to me about getting my life right with God. You used to refer me to others as your sister, not as your dad's wife's daughter, that really made me feel part of your life and also as family. You will greatly be missed, I love you,
Danielle*

Danielle Herrington - December 28, 2004 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dearest Family,
We are praying for each one that God will give a peace that passes
all understanding. We love you and wish we could have been there
with you.

Arnaldo, Shellie, Mikeila, Iana, and Little One

Arnaldo and Shellie Silva - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.
NeShawn, if there is anything we can do to help you, please let us
know.

Fred & JoAnn Sheridan & family - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ We are so sorry that we can not be there at your side. Our prayers
are with you as in just 15 minutes as I write this the funeral service
will start. We love you! Paul and Marla

Paul and Marla Fields - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Caleb and Emily I am so sorry.
My heart cries for you. You are so sweet. I didn't know your dad but
he loved you both. We at Lee County Primary are there for you.

Shauna Anderson - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ Dear Nesi and family,
Our heartfelt condolences are extended to all of you during this time. We will miss David and his warm smile. We pray that you will feel the presence of the Lord as you lie down to sleep each night and awake each morning to face another day. He is an all knowing and compassionate Father who will meet your every need according to His will. Please know that we are praying for all of you and asking God to meet each and everyone of your needs abundantly.
We love you all...Eydie & Rick McDaniel

eydie mcdaniel - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ We love you all and are praying for each one of you by name. May God multiply His grace and peace to you. This is our prayer.

Jim and Jenna Wright family - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Our prayers are with you all. There truly are no words to express anyone's feelings right now - the depth of your pain, the loss, concerns, and also the love that is coming your way. I am Tommy's step-daughter, Marie White's daughter - so we may not have been close (or have even met NeShawn) but we are still family and we grieve for you. Take it one breath at a time. Our love to you all.

K Royal, Tim Foley, Dazlin and Charis Royal - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ We are all so sadden by the news. Our prayers are with you all. May God bless you.
Nahum 1:7 is one that Elwanda gave us years ago that has been such a blessing to us. We love you all.

Henry Trivette & Family & Carl Souther & Family - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Ty Turner - December 27, 2004 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *You and your family are in our prayers.*

Pam Amos - December 26, 2004 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Dearest David you will be greatly missed. I consider myself honored to have been one of your friends. Rest in Peace.*

Sharon McDonald - December 26, 2004 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *as a dear friend to David and his family I send my love and sympathy to all. He will greatly be missed by everyone that knew him. to Nesi and to the rest of the family I am hear for you if you need anything.I love each of you as my own family, God bless you all I will be praying for you.*

*Love,
Karen L.*

karen long - December 26, 2004 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ *David, you held and will continue to have a special place in my heart. I love you,angelia*

Angelia VanCleave - December 26, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Dear Family,
So sorry for your sorrow! May God be with you during your time of
sorrow and your healing. My prayers are with each and every one of
you, especially his children.
In christian love,
Janice*

Janice Hagberg - December 25, 2004 at 12:00 AM