



Dale Geddie

August 8, 1960 - June 7, 2006

Memorial Services for Dale David Geddie, 45 of Winona, will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2006 at 2:00 PM at Green Acres Baptist Church with Pastor Kenny Ray officiating. Constable Dale Geddie passed away on June 7, 2006 while responding to a domestic disturbance call outside of Tyler. Those who knew him are not surprised that the lifelong law enforcement officer put himself at risk to aid others. He began his law enforcement career as a jailer with the Smith County Sheriff's Office on August 23, 1985. To further his career, he attended the East Texas Police Academy at Kilgore College in 1986, and graduated Valedictorian of his class. Following graduation, Dale transferred to the Criminal Investigations Division as a deputy investigator. During his tenure as a detective, he served Smith County as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant, and as an undercover narcotics officer before leaving the sheriff's department in 1996. After working for a short time as a freight driver and as a ferrier, Dale opened "Loveday-Geddie Private Investigations and Polygraph Service". But he couldn't stay away from law enforcement. Mr. Geddie signed up to be a reserve deputy for the Smith County Sheriff's department in July of 2004, and later that year he was elected as Constable of Precinct 4. Dale was born on August 19, 1960 in Tyler, Texas to Sandra Aaker Geddie and Otis Dale Geddie, a former Smith County Sheriff's deputy. He attended both Rice and Whitehouse Elementary Schools before his parents bought a ranch in Winona, where he graduated from Winona High School in 1979. Dale was a member of many organizations throughout the state,

including the Fraternal Order of Police, Smith County Peace Officers Association, Sheriffs Association of Texas, Texas Justice of the Peace and Constables Association, East Texas Peace Officers Association, Child Advocacy Center of East Texas, and a Member of the First Baptist Church of Winona. Constable Geddie was a spiritual man with a deep faith and family commitment, and was known as an individual whose personal and professional life was shaped by his integrity and selflessness. A scripture that friends say comes to mind when thinking of Dale Geddie is "Well done, my good and faithful servant". Constable Geddie was preceded in death by two uncles, David Ludean Germany and Ronnie Lee Germany who was killed in the line of duty as a state game warden in 1973. Dale is survived by his wife of five years, Leisa Geddie; son, Justin Geddie of Whitehouse; step-son, Jake Woodall of Winona; parents, Otis and Sandra Geddie of Winona; sister, Kathy Watson of Waxahachie; uncle, Freddie Germany of Chapel Hill; nieces, Julie Burleyson of Waxahachie, Carol Johnston of Tyler, and Melissa Johnston of Dallas. Honorary Pallbearers will be Bobby Van Ness, Phil Higginbotham, Jim Brizendine, Rutillo Quezada, Charlie Winters, Ronnie Lynn Germany, Peace Officers of Smith County, and Smith County Constables Precinct 4 Reserves. The family will receive friends from 5:00 - 8:00 PM Friday, June 9, 2006 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy, Tyler, Texas 75703. Memorials in honor of Constable Dale David Geddie may be made to First Baptist Church of Winona, East Texas Peace Officers' Association, or C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors). A Tragedy Fund has been set up in honor of Constable Geddie at Southside Bank. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

LP

“ It is with honor that those Christian Law Enforcement Officers serve their fellow man as they are agents of Lord as we read in Romans, Chapter 13; "4. For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to [execute] wrath upon him that doeth evil." Although being the most difficult of all the challenges of life, we must remain strong in our faith in these hours of pain and hurt. It is difficult task without question. As we go to the garden and pick the most beautiful of the flowers, so does our Lord who only selects the very best, as he did with Dale. May you find comfort in the days ahead in your faith. On behalf of all the men and women who make up the Constable's Office, Dallas County, Precinct 5, may your journey to peace be swift.

Lt. Ron Pullin - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ I am so sorry to hear that one of our Officers was taken. We don't know oneanother but I saw that Officer Geddie had been taken and I just want to say that I have been praying for the family. I hope God will wrap is loving arms around all of you and help you through this time of need. One of the hardest things in life is loosing someone. I hope it is ok that i wrote since we don't know one another, I just wanted you to know I am sad that someone that is here to protect me and my family was taken away and I appreciate what your husband does for our community. kari

kari grogan - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ I thank God for the privilege of knowing this precious man. His sweet spirit shone like a beacon and assured you immediately that we are all connected in this world. He loved his fellow man.

Denise Williams - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Words alone can not adequately express our heartfelt condolences to the family, friends and citizens of Smith County for the lose of Constable Dale Geddie. Constable Geddie's ultimate sacrifice for the protection of his community is the truest act of heroism that will always be remembered and appreciated by the citizens of a grateful State.

May God Bless Dale and his family.

*Bobby Gutierrez, Constable Pct.3 and staff,
Williamson County, Texas*

Constable Bobby Gutierrez - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ We are very sorry to lose a hero; a good man.

*Our sincere sympathy,
Donna Dozier and Ronald Stutes*

Donna Gail Dozier - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ May God Bless the Family. There are no words that can express my Sympathy for you and for Dale. I pray for an ease in pain. I know that it takes time but God will see you through.

katherine gilder - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Please accept our condolences on the loss of a fellow colleague.
May the Lord bring you peace and spiritual healing.

*Every loss of a loved one in Christ is also a celebration of a new life.
For in the pain of saying goodbye also comes the realization that
Constable Geddie has been greeted by our dear Lord with opened
arms.*

May the Lord bless you with his reassuring presence.....

*Judge Sallie Gonzalez and Staff
Cameron County, Texas*

Angie Williams - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ We are sadden by the death of such a wonderful man. We hope that
the Family will remain strong in the Lord. May God Bless You all, with
His Peace.

Loop East Barber Shop - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Our prayers are with you at this most difficult time. May God's Love,
Grace and Power sustain you. Words can not adequately express
our sorrow.

Carol and Sunny Runnels - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Leisa - You are like a daughter to us - our hearts and prayers are with you. With all we have heard about Dale, we know that the few times we got to see him our impression was right. He was a wonderful person that loved you dearly!*
Keep your memories close to your heart and do as you have always done - get up on that horse and ride with the wind knowing that Dale is watching over you!!
We love you!!!

James & Claudia Hammonds - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ WE ARE SORRY FOR YOUR LOST. WE WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS.
GAYLE ABBOTT
ASHLEY MURRAY
GAIUS GETER
CATHY PHILLIPS
MELODY QUICK
MIKE MOSS
BARBARA MOSS
DEE FAUROT
JOHNNY BEDDINGFIELD

GAYLE ABBOTT - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ WE ARE ALL SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO A VERY FINE MAN. I MET DALE WHEN HE FIRST STARTED W/ THE SHERIFF,S OFFICE. HE ALWAYS DID HIS JOB IN A VERY PERSONAL AND ALSO HONABLE MANNER. HE WOULD ALWAYS GIVE YOU A HEARTY HAND SHAKE AND A BIG SMILE WHEN HE GREETED YOU. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED. WE WILL MISS HIM. MAYBE GOD HAS ALLOWED HIM TO BE THE NEW CONSTABLE IN HEAVEN. THANKS DALE FOR BEING MY FRIEND.

Homer McClendon - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ As an officer's wife I mourn with you. My heart is broken for you, and your entire family will continue to be in our prayers daily. May God wrap His arms around you in the days and weeks ahead. My husband knew Dale, and says his life was better for having known him. May God give you peace that passes understanding.

Leslie - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ It is always sad to lose a fellow peace officer. Even though I have never met Constable Geddie, reading about his contributions to the community tells me he was a great officer. My sincerest condolences go out to his family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Roger Huffman - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Leisa, my prayers are with you. Please know that all your barrelracer friends morn with and for you. God Bless you and give you strength.

Carol Caldwell - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ I will never forget when Dale stopped by the feed store to tell me he was running for Constable and ask for our support. You could tell he had a fire in his eyes and was passionate about the community he wanted to represent. Dale will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Lisa and Family, please know that you are in our prayers.

Hollie Gambino - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Thank you and may you rest in peace D.D. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and extended family of Law Enforcement Officers of Smith County. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, From whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord" Psalm 121:1-3

La Trina Stewart-Williams - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ My heartfelt sympathy to Dale's family, and to his law enforcement brothers and sisters. His passing is a horrible loss for our community. He was a kind, considerate leader, and a most honorable man. Take comfort in knowing that he is watching over each one of you, and that he is safe in the peace of our Lord. May the Lord bring comfort to your hearts in the days ahead, and may you glean strength from the many prayers lifted in your name.

Jonna Fitzgerald - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends.

Billy and Robin Hunt - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ I want to express my sadness and sorrow to the Geddie family. I not only worked with Dale David side by side but OD also. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of grief. I will always remember Dale David for his big smile and tight handshake when he saw and greeted you, just like his daddy. He will always be remembered.

David & Glenda Turner - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ It saddens me to hear that another member of our police family has fallen. To Dale.. Thank you for your service to the community and to his family thank you for sharing him. As a wife of a police officer I can only imagine what you are going through. I pray you find peace and comfort in God's arms. We will always remember!

Jerry Dowdy - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ To the family of Constable Geddie, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. It really saddens us when we hear of an officer who has been wounded or, worse yet, killed in the line of duty. It makes you stop and hug your family and tell them how much they mean to you, because you never know if you'll come home from the job that you love most in the world. Constable Geddie is to be commended for the man he was, and he will be remembered fondly by his fellow officers. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the deputies of Precinct 4.

Constable Robin Rape & wife, Renee - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Dale and I drove together on a truck while working for Saia. He was a great friend that I really thought a lot of. He probably had the most integrity, honesty and fairness of any person I've ever known. If he told you he was going to move that mountain, you had better get out of the way. All the while we were driving together, there was never a cross word between us. This world needs more people like Dale, not less. God bless you brother

Arlis Kennedy - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ I just wanted to let you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I know exactly what you are going through, I lost my daddy January of this year and no matter what age you are it doesn't make it any easier. If there is ever anything you need just let me know.

Bill Bryans & Tanya Goldston-Bryans - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ We were very saddened to hear about Dale's death. Tim had just talked to him two days before at a local gas station. Our hearts go out to his parents, O.D. and Sandra, his sister Kathy, his wife Leisa and children. We know that Dale wa a great law enforcement agent and he will be sorely missed.

Tim & Lisa (Taylor) Emmons - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Thank you for the service you provided to our community. Your life as a Christian Law Enforcement Officer will be an inspiration to others. Our thoughts and prayers will be with your family and friends.

Dr. & Mrs. Jack McNeeley - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ To Officer Geddie,
Thank you for your years of service to your fellow man. Your loyalty and your dedication is an inspiration to us all. You have demonstrated the greatest love of all in that you were willing to lay down your life for your fellow man. You will not be forgotten.

To his family,
Our heartfelt condolences to each of you. Thank you for sharing this wonderful man with the community. We know that this is a very hard time but we pray that you take comfort in knowing that Dale was doing exactly what he loved to do, and that you can rejoice in the knowledge that Dale is now with his Lord and Saviour Whom he obviously loved very much and Who also loved Dale.

Marty Lawrence - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ To Dale's family,
I will miss his hugs at church. He always had such a sweet smile and a hug for me whenever I saw him. You are in our prayers.
Pat Ray

Pat Ray - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ TO THE GEDDIE FAMILY AND FELLOW OFFICERS, I AM NOT ONE TO TALK MUCH ESPECIALLY WHEN I DO NOT KNOW SOMEONE BUT STORIES OF MR. GEDDIE HAVE TOUCHED ME. WHEN I KNOW OF TRAGEDY I DO NOT WATCH THE NEWS BUT WHEN SOMEONE AT WORK TOLD ME OF THIS TRAGEDY, I WAS GLUED TO THE TV. I LISTEN TO EVERY PERSON TELL WHAT A GOOD MAN CONSTABLE GEDDIE WAS. WHEN YOU HEAR THE SAME THING SO MUCH YOU KNOW IT IS TRUE. TO SEE THE SMILE ON HIS PICTURE YOU CAN FEEL THE WARMTH IN HIS HEART WHICH MADE ME FEEL LIKE I KNEW HIM MYSELF. I NEVER MET HIM BUT JUST LOOKING AT HIM, I SAW A DEDICATED, GOOD, HONEST, GENUINE MAN IN A LINE OF WORK THAT COULD MAKE THOSE QUALITIES SOMETIMES HARD TO MAINTAIN. THERE WAS ONE THING IN EVERY MEMORY OF HIM THAT STOOD OUT "THEY ALL MENTIONED HE WAS A CHRISTIAN." EVERYONE SAID IT, SO IT PROVES THAT HE LIVED HIS LIFE AS A CHRISTIAN AND IT SHOWED IN EVERYTHING HE DONE INCLUDING WORK. BECAUSE HE LOVED GOD, THAT GIVES YOU THE ASSURANCE GOD MET HIM BEFORE ANYONE EVEN KNEW HE HAD PASSED AND SAID, "WELL DONE MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT WELL DONE." HE IS AT REST FOR HIS FAITHFULNESS TO HIS COMMUNITY AND TO HIS FAMILY. THANK YOU GEDDIE FAMILY FOR ALLOWING OFFICER GEDDIE TO TOUCH THE HEARTS OF EVEN THOSE WHO DID NOT EVEN KNOW HIM. I KNOW IT HURTS BUT YOU CAN ALSO BE PROUD TO KNOW THAT YOUR LOVE ONE PASSING ALLOWED A LOT OF PEOPLE TO PRAY AGAIN AND TAKE THE TIME TO SAY "I LOVE YOU." THANKS TO MR. GEDDIE FOR HELPING ME TO REMEMBER TO BE THE SAME ALL THE TIME BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHO YOUR LIFE WILL INSPIRE EVEN IN DEATH. I PRAY THIS GIVES THE FAMILY ENCOURAGEMENT IN KNOWING THAT TYLER AND SMITH COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE REMEMBERING YOU IN PRAYER, WHICH IS THE ONLY PRESCRIPTION FOR THE UNFAIR HURT YOU ARE ENDURING.

Jennifer Johnson - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *To the Geddie Family:
May GOD Bless you in your loss.*

Byron George - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *To the Geddie Family: My heart is saddened with the passing of Dale. He was a wonderful Christian Man and we are all better people for knowing him. I have known Dale since High School at Winona and I have never known he not to show compassion for everyone. He always had a smile on his face and a spring in his step. The change he has made for the Prect 4 community is unbelievalbe and will never be forgotten! The passing of this great man will affect everyone for many many years! It is truely a great loss. My prayers will be with the Geddie Family. May you find Comfort in knowing that Dale is watching over all of us with that same sprakle in his eyes and big wonderful smile on his face. May God be with you always!*

Debra Day Bunt - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *My heart felt condolences goes out to your family. During this time, keep your faith in the Lord and lean on others who can give you the support that you need during this time. Dale was a awesome guy who always had a smile and a sense of humor. I know it is hard to understand and make sense now why this happened but God had his reasons. Remember, he is now looking down smiling at us and he went to heaven in something he loved doing. God Bless You!
Carolyn*

Carolyn Hudson - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Officer Geddie gave the ultimate sacrifice. As a mother and wife and citizen of Tyler, my heart breaks for his family. I would like to thank them and let them know that they are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jean Moshier - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ We are making a small donation in memory of a fine man. I worked with him a short while during a very difficult time in my life. I had just moved to Tyler & had no friends. Working with Dale was the only bright spot in a tough & sometimes thankless job. I still think back to some of the things he said. The world was truly a safer place with D.D. on the job. Thanks for believing in me Dale. Thanks to God for giving us this lawman & friend. I will never forget you.

Mr & Mrs Danny Hair - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ Mrs. Geddie, I just wanted you to know how much my family and I respected Dale. His honesty and dignity stood out about all else. He had compassion for families that were going through tough times. Dale's smile and his twinkling eyes put you at ease and made you feel safe.

When someone we love dies, God hides a smile in every memory and hope in every tear. As long as we have memories, the ones we love are never really gone. Dale will continue to be God's soldier and watch over us all from Heaven.

I wanted you to know that he saved my daughter's life last year from possible death from drug dealers. My daughter is proud to have known him. We are all better for having known him.

I pray that God will comfort you and your family during the times ahead. Our heartfelt sympathies are with you.

He will be remembered by myself and my family.

Sincerely,

Ann Rodriguez

Henry and Ann Rodriguez - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Dale will be missed by all of us who knew him and had learned to depend on him as constable of our Pct #4. At church, he always had a smile for us and a warm handshake. God bless you.

Phillipians 4:13

Jerry & Linda Lusk - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ We wish to send our deepest heart felt sympathy to the entire Geddie family. We've known the Geddie family for many years, Barbara was your neighbor for years and knew Dale Jr. since he was a child. I've known Dale Sr. and Dale Jr. through working in Law Enforcement as a Reserve Police and as a Deputy Constable, for a total if 30 years. As church family to Dale Sr. and Sandra, we have come to love you even more, so your heart ache and pain is ours also. You will all remain in our prayers. Wednesday around 11:30 a.m., My son, Patrick, who is a Tyler motorcycle officer, called me on the job to inform me what was going on near our home. When he told me Dale Jr. had been shot and was said to be deceased. my knees got so week I had to sit down. I just couldn't believe it. All I could do for the rest of the day was to lift your family up in prayer for God's comfort and love. May God hold you in His loving hands as you struggle through the pain. If you need us, call us, we'll be there. May God Bless and keep you. Don and Barbara

Don and Barbara Mullican - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Although I didn't know Constable Geddie, having worked in law enforcement for many years I feel that I did. Every time that I hear of one of these situations I say prayers for all of the people involved and hope for a peaceful end. Unfortunately, this was not to be one of those times.

Please know that your family will be lifted in the prayers of more people than you will ever know. May you feel our Heavenly Father's arms around you all during this difficult time.

The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. - Proverbs 18:10

He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young. - Isaiah 40:11

Tonya Grimes - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ What a huge loss for the people of Smith County. May God be with the entire Geddie Family at this time.

Pete Thompson - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ I would like to extend my sympathies to the Geddie family and share this which comforted me when I lost my mother in 2004.

Dear Loved Ones,

I want you to know that I have moved. I received a call from God, The Chief Architect, who informed me that I could move immediately.

You all know that I have been sending up my timber, packing up getting ready to go, but there were some minor finishing touches on some of the timber that only the chief Carpenter, Jesus Christ, could do. Some were a little to broad, thick or not long enough.

Well, my new home is finished and it's such a beautiful sight to behold. It is located in an exclusive estate area and it sits behind a beautiful Pearly Gate, just off a serene celestial shore. Of course, the streets are paved with gold and everyday is Sunday here, I have been told.

I lived many places before my new home was prepared and none of the others can compare. There is peace, joy and happiness here with no pain to bear. No strife or discontent, there is only sweet serenity everywhere and I could go on about my new home, but I have to get fitted for my wings.

(Let me give you my new address):

Dale D. Geddie

Heaven's CR 111

Right Hand of the Father

I don't have a telephone yet; But just call God. If you don't have the number, HE's listed in the Good Book on every page.

Regina Gipson - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I didn't really get to know Dale until he started to run for the Constable position and then became Constable. I have known his wife Leisa since she went to work at Smith County and usually see her or talk to her everyday and she will be missed in her office. I am the Buyer for Smith County and I got to know Dale when he took office and needed to order his car and other things for his office. He was always pleasant and had a smile for me and never took advantage of his job title. I consider Leisa a friend and I would like to be there if she needs anything. Dale will be greatly missed by the Smith County Employees and the Citizens of Smith County. Take care Leisa and Jake and the other members of the family and may God Bless in this time of sorrow.

*Ann Somerville
Purchasing Department
Smith County*

Ann Somerville - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ May God bless DD's family, DD was a great man and a role model to others. He bless my life and my family. He will never be forgotton, his legacy will be left on my heart as long as I live.

Bob and Debbie Davis - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ There are no majic words there is no majic cure, Only time will help, this will bring his happiest times foward, and his passing futher away. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Debi & Bob

Debi & Bob - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I did not have the honor of knowing Constable Getty, but I have heard so many kind and praising words about this honorable man. My prayers and sympathy to his family.
May God Bless You,
Jane Martel

Jane Martel - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dear Kathy and family,

During a time like this it is hard to understand why the Lord takes people that we so cherish, so soon, but in his wisdom...all good things work for good to them that love the Lord. I know Dale is standing in heaven smiling down on you and all the family and friends that he loved. The next days and months will be really tough and I will be praying and thinking about you. If there is anything that we can do for you please don't hesitate to call or just to talk and catch up. Love always, Jannabeth

Jannabeth & Robert Kelly - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Dale was a one in a million guy. I knew him from his work at Texas DIRT Motorplex on Saturday nights. He had a way of making you feel like you were somebody no matter how bad of a day you had. He will be sorely missed at the track. He was always smiling and very friendly, and would always give me a pat on the back and ask me how I was doing no matter how many times we would see each other in the course of the night. My condolences go out to his wife and family as I know its hard to have him called home so early.

terry griffith - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM