



## David Sanders

March 3, 1959 - July 25, 2012

Services for Frank David Sanders, 53, of Tyler, will be held on Saturday, July 28, at 10:00 am at Green Acres Baptist Church with Rev. Donnie Page officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler, under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Sanders passed away Wednesday, July 25 in Tyler. He was born March 2, 1959 in Tyler to Frank and Doris Sanders. David was a member of Green Acres Baptist Church. It was there where he met his wife Rebecca. He loved to fish and play golf and enjoyed landscaping his yard. David especially liked to go camping with the boys, travel and spend time with his family. Holidays and celebrations were some of his favorite times. David graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 1977 and went to Texas State Technical Institute in Waco, where he received an Associates degree in Automotive Technology. He then attended U.T. Tyler where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology. David taught at Chapel Hill High School for 21 years as an Automotive Technology Instructor. He went on to teach at The Azleway Charter School, where he developed and established the Automotive Technology Department and he was currently teaching the program. David is survived by his loving wife of 28 years, Rebecca Stanley Sanders; two precious sons, Joshua David Sanders and Travis Robert Sanders. Parents, Frank and Doris Sanders of Mineola; Sister, Elaine and husband Marvin Wroten of Paris, Tx.; Brother, Jay and wife Rhonda Sanders of Sulphur Springs, Tx. ; several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be

Greg "Goose" Griffen, Woody Johnston, Irwin B. Price, III, Dr. Irwin B. Price IV, Ben Stewart, Pat Parker, "Coach" David Clapp, and Matt Byrd. Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 –8:00 PM on Friday, July 27 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Man, what a great leader! He led over 21 generations of young men and directed a few of us in his path as an Automechanic! He was more than a good mechanic. He just knew cars! I'm proud I have some special memories with him! Every time I see an old s10 or a mid 80'S chevy, I smile! He was a great example to follow!!*

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**Roland Magee** - February 11, 2016 at 01:34 PM

BC

“ *I shall miss you dear friend*

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**Brenda Tompkins childs** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Dear Rebecca :*

*I have not seen you guys in about 10 years. My how time really does fly. David taught me how to Bass fish. We met at church and he and I shared that passion. I was green and he was a patient teacher. I guess he was not a patient person yet he was with me. I remember the green Skeeter and the old blue pick up. Man did we have some fun.*

*We are all sorry for your loss though I know David is in Heaven and doing very well as I type this.*

*I would like to express he was a sweet friend to me, though we have not visited in years, I am glad to have known him.*

*I love you Rebecca.*

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**John Bell** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Rebecca,

*I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your husband David. While understanding how difficult this time is, hold fast to your faith, lean on the support of your friends and family, and let the Lord and the prayers of those lifting you up help to provide comfort and peace. I hope you will find some peace in verse Jeremiah 29:11: For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. While you might not know "how" you're going to make it at this moment, you will find what to do, how to do it and when to do whatever it is as the Lord directs you. My prayers are with you and your sons during this heartbreaking, difficult time.*

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**Chris Moore** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Rebecca,

*I was so sorry to hear about David! You and the boys are in our thoughts and prayers!*

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**Randy & Michelle Rix** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *My friend Rebecca and boys:*

*We were so very sadden to hear about David passing away. Please know that Stephen and I are praying for you, and the boys during this time of grief and sorrow.*

*We are here for you if you need anything. You and the boys are very precious to us and we trust our Savior to provide you comfort and peace during this time.*

*Your friend and sister in Christ.  
Marsha*

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**Marsha Ballard** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ *Rebecca,*

*I am so sorry, my dear friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I pray that God will comfort your hearts with his healing Spirit.*

*Sincerely,*

*Risa*

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**Risa Jackson** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Please know that you are in our prayers.*

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**John & Pat Holland** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ *David Sanders*

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**Virginia Singletary** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Doris, Frank and family. Mary Ann and I lift all of you up in prayer over your loss. May God give you peace during this very difficult time. David I am sure had a big influence on a lot of young people that he taught.*

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**Jeff Jones** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Rebecca, I am so sorry for your loss. I do not understand why a lot of things happen in life but God always has a plan. He is good all the time. As you already know he is there for you and your sons. You are one of the strongest Christian women that I know. You are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless You and Your family.*

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**Debbie Sexton (Beall)** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *I pray that the LIVING GOD strengthen your family, and David will be truly missed by all.*

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**Karen McDaniel** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Rebecca, Josh and Travis: My heart breaks with yours today. God's love is stronger than anything we can understand. That's why they call our belief in Him faith. Faith will take you through today and today is all you should be concerned with. Tomorrow will be tomorrow's bridge.

*I believe that it was David's encouragement, many years ago, that got Wayne back interested in coming to church. It was his quiet coaxing to get him to help with the lights and sound that brought him back to God's house where he knew he should be. I will always be so grateful for that.*

*Rest in God's arms right now. Each day will bring new challenges and new discoveries and God's strength will take you through them all.*

*I love you guys!*

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**Suzanne Loudamy** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Rebecca, I'm so sorry to hear about David. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the boys. I know you will find strength in God. Your strong faith will get you through this difficult time.

*Pam*

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**Pam Cross** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Rebecca,  
*I am so sorry to hear about David. And I'm sorry I couldn't have been there for the visitation and funeral. My heart and prayers go out to for you and the family. I pray for God's comfort and for healing. One thing I remember about David is that he could walk 18 holes of golf in 100 degree heat while I was ready to pass out from the heat. I'm still not sure how he could do that. Pleas let me know if there is anything we can do. In the meantime, Anna Kathryn and I will continue to pray for you and the boys.*

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**Jeremy Shultz** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Rebecca,  
  
*Melinda and I were heartsick to hear of David's recent untimely passing. You were truly good neighbors and we miss you both. We will certainly be in prayer for you and the boys and wish you all the best.*

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**Ken Wink** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *I just heard about David today. Rebecca, I am so sorry for your loss. Debbie and I are not far away if you need anything.*

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**Keith Roberts** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Dear Sanders family,

*It has been a long time since the days of playing softball with David, mission trips, and youth gatherings at the Sanders house. What a good family you are. Rebecca, I am blessed to have known David, and Rita and I will be praying for you to feel the power and comfort of the Father.*

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**Gary Salyer** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ We were so sorry to hear about your loss and sorry that we couldn't be at the service. You are in our prayers.

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**Peggy Durham** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Elaine and family, on behalf of our staff we wish God's peace to be upon all of you during this difficult time. We don't know all the reasons this side of Heaven, but we do know He who does. At times like these, only our faith will carry us. Trust and rely upon the One who does all things well.

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**Arvin Starrett** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Rebecca,  
We are praying for you and the family. I am so sorry that I am not there with you during this difficult time. You have been on my mind constantly and even though I am not there I have cried with you daily since I received the news. You are my dearest friend and we have been through so much together over the years and we always come through with the help of our Lord. You must hold fast to your faith and know that God loves you and will hold you all even closer during times like this. Please know how much your family means to Randy and I and we will be here to help you through this. I am praying now that you rest and find strength each day. I will be to see you as soon as we return. I love you my friend - Carolyn

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**Carolyn Gouldthorpe** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ My prayers go out to you and your family. Mr Sanders was the best teacher at Azleway the kids loved him so much. I am an Azleway foster parent and a lot of my kids were in his class. He was always looking out for my boys.He will truly be missed.

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**Debra Nelson** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Rebecca, I am so sorry for the loss of your husband. I've only seen you a couple of times in the passed 20 years or so, but each time I was with you, your love for him, and your relationship with him was expressed so beautifully.

*I know from where you draw your strength! And that He never fails even when it can sometimes feel such the opposite.*

*Here if you need me.*

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**Rhonda Solley** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Rebecca,  
Words are hardly adequate to tell you how sorry I am about David.  
From our days together in the Singles group at GABC, to our kids  
being born, to our careers at BGC, you have always been a  
steadfast friend to me.  
I admire you so much and know that God will give you the strength  
to get through this, as I'm sure you have already found.  
I am here if you need anything.  
Love you much.  
Jan*

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**Jan Barton** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM