



Hope Decker

October 9, 2009 - July 10, 2012

Hope Naomi Decker was called to be with her Lord on Tuesday, July 10, 2012. She was born on October 9, 2009 in Tyler, Texas to Chad and Jacque Fancher Decker. She fought a very brief, aggressive fight with AML Leukemia at Children's Medical Center in Dallas before she joined the angels in heaven. Hope loved going to her school at Mama's House Day Care in Whitehouse and playing with her friends. She was smart, determined and most of all, one of the sassiest little girls around. As she would state it "everyday was her birthday". She loved her family, playing outside, swimming with her dad, gardening with her mom, playing dress up with Stacy, wrestling with uncle Bubba and cuddling with her mom and dad. She was a very bright light and we all learned so much from her in the short time that she was given to be with her family. Hope is survived by her parents, Chad and Jacque Fancher Decker; grandparents, Vicky Decker of Crandall, and Mark Decker of Irving, Melinda and Max Pierson of Ponchatoula, LA. and Jeff Fancher of Katy; Great grandparents, Bobby and Betty Mayo of Combine, Linda and Charles Decker of Kaufman, and Neva and Elvis Davis of Crandall; Uncle, Bryan "Bubba" Decker of Crandall; Cousin, Stacy Crawford of Crandall; Aunts and Uncles, Teri "T" and Gary Crawford of Crandall and Micheal and Stephanie Fancher of Sanger. The celebration of her life will take place on Saturday, July 14th at 5:00 PM at the First Baptist Church in Gresham under the direction of Stewart family Funeral Home. Following the service there will be a balloon release at her graveside service at the Cathedral in the Pines

Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday, July 13th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler. As Hope was just beginning her battle with leukemia, the family had made plans to donate her hair to Locks of Love on the day she passed. In lieu monetary donations to the family, they would like to ask for donations to be given to Locks of Love to help other little girls with their battles with cancer. Please visit www.locksoflove.org for more information on donating to this wonderful cause or you may send donations to 234 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL. 33405.

Tribute Wall

AM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. May God's blessings guide you to peace and comfort.*

Anita Maki - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with her.*

Linda Cecil - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *I am very sad that Hope passed on at such a young age. Teri always showed us pictures and talked about her non-stop! :-)
Even though I only got to see her in person at Children's Medical, she will always remain in my memory. She is in the best hands now.*

*God Bless
Cheryl*

Cheryl Thomas - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *I am a co-worker of Teri Crawford and I know just how much this little angel was loved and cared for. Hope will be missed.*

May the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

My prayers are with the family at this very difficult time.

Maria Pena - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I am so sad. While I did not know Hope I feel as though I do. Teri has shared with me such cute things that Hope has said and done.

I remember when Chad and Jacque were getting married, and when Jacque was expecting Hope, then Hope's birth. All this because I have been priviledged to hear Teri's stories about this special child.

Please accept my condolences. It is so hard to understand God's timing, but the truth is that He takes precious loved ones even though many have prayed. And my prayer group has been praying mightily for Hope since Monday. I am not exaggerating when I say that they are so affected by your loss. They are too asking why this happened so quickly.

We will all one day understand. Please find peace in knowing you will see her again, and that she is now with wonderful loved ones that went before her.

Sylvia Brock - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Hope Decker

Kelli (stogsdill) Luckado - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Your beautiful baby girl is a beautiful angel now and she is smiling down on you. Even though her time here was short I know she was the love of your lives.. You have so many people that are praying for you and your family.

R.I.P.. Hope...

Kelli (stogsdill) Luckado - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Words cannot begin to express our sadness for you. Please know that your family is in our prayers. May God bring you all comfort and assurance during this difficult time. John 14:1-3 reminds us that Hope is in a place made for her.

Thomas, Carissa & Trevor - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ we are so sorry for your loss. i wish that we could offer some words of comfort, but i dont know any that seem

billy and cece lambert - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ no words of comfort that i know could possibly be adequate, but we are so sorry for your loss. i wish that we could help in some way. our thoughts and prayers are with you all

billy and cece lambert - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ My heart hurts for your family as you have to go through this difficult valley of greif. I am so sorry for your loss of such a beautiful little angel who brought so much happiness to your lives. Jacque, Luke 2:19 tells us how a mother treasures things and ponders them in her heart. I know you have that special place for Hope in your heart where you have stored your precious memories. Hang on tight to the wonderful times and memories.

Kay McKinley - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Chad and Jackie I'm so sorry for your loss of your precious little girl Hope she was such a beautiful little girl.
There isn't words that can ease the pain that you all are going through.
May god be with you all at this time. My thoughts and prayers will be with you all. God Bless you all.
Love Your friend Juanita Freiley

Juanita Freiley - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. I have had the joy of knowing Hope through the many pictures, videos and stories told by my dear friend and Hope's great aunt, Teri. May your family find strength in knowing that Hope is in the arms of Jesus.

Cheryl Crim - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ Along with many from Pruitt Baptist Church, we prayed for Hope and all of her family. Although we have not met any of you, on this side of heaven, one day will will.

Psalm 91:4

" He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge."

Psalm 17:8"Keep me as the apple of Your eye; hide me under the shadow of Your wings."

Psalm 57,David cried out "Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me ! For my soul trusts in You; and in the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge, until these calamities have passed by."

As a family, you are under the warm safety of the 'Feather Curtain of God.'

May you rest in His comforting arms of love.

God bless,

Ronnie and Judy

Taylor

Ronnie and Judy Taylor - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ We are so sorry, our heartfelt sympathy goes out to both of you and all of your family.

Jay & Berniece Smith - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Wishing you and your family strength and peace. You are all in my thoughts, my heart, and my prayers.

God's Peace Be With You!

Madeline Cotton - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ May heart is with all of you and your family in this time of sorrow. I will continue to keep you in my prayers. May God help you find peace, hope, and blessings in this time of need.

Frances Faccibene - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ My heart breaks for the loss of your precious little girl. Erica Sisemore and I were roommates at Tech before she lived with you. If there is anything I can do for your family, please let me know. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Maegan Schneider - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NE

“ We are so sorry for your loss! We pray for comfort and peace.
Love,
Nathan and Doris Jean Eaton

NATHAN AND DORIS EATON - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ I was very sad to hear of the passing of Hope. She was such a sweet little girl. Everyday I walked into daycare to pick Keleigh up she would run up to me and hug my legs like I was her best friend!!! Keleigh will miss her so much in class. I miss seeing her beautiful smile almost everyday and that gorgeous hair of hers.

Lindsey Cowart - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Decker Family:*

I did not know her directly but I always heard her Aunt Teri speak of her and the Dress that got handed down from generation to generation.

Based upon know her Aunt, I know the world missed out on a wonderful opportunity.

Our condolences and prayers are with you.

Steve Reaves - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I did not know Hope, but felt that I did thru the stories that Teri has told. God must have been short of little angels earlier this week. Please accept my deepest condolences and know that God loves you and can give you peace, restore your spirits and strengthen you. May the comfort of God help you during this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Russ Simon - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SY

“ Words cannot express the sadness we all felt when we heard about Hope. We will continue to hold you all up in prayer.

I am regretting that she wouldnt get on the bus the day Vicky brought her to see my bus at Day Care a few weeks ago.

Its hard to see God's Plan in this and those of us with Faith really have to exercise our Faith to make it through the valleys. We talk the talk, its so very hard to walk the walk in despair.

Just a few weeks ago...I said. We are not promised even the next day.

I pray for you peace and understanding in the days to come. Keep plugged into the Source of strength...

Sherry York - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ *Jim and I are so deeply sorry for the loss of your beautiful little girl. We wish you much comfort and peace at this difficult time.*

Jim and Michele Vaughn - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM