



Shane Michael Kester

January 5, 1981 - November 7, 2015

Shane Michael Kester, 34 passed away November 7, 2015 in Carthage, MO. Shane was born January 5, 1981 in Shawnee Mission, KS to Louis Ernest Kester and Donna Jo (Gamble) Kester. The family moved to Carthage when he was 18 months old. Shane was a longtime Carthage resident and graduated from Carthage High School in 1999. He was active in both the school band and the Jazz band. He played baseball from T-ball through senior high. Shane had a kind and loving heart and was loved by many friends, family and everyone who met him. He was strong and a hard worker and had many talents. He worked for Leggett and Platt in the test lab. He was also a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church. Shane was united in marriage to Laura Kester May 19, 2011 in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. She survives. Shane is survived by his loving and devoted wife Laura Kester of Carthage, his mother Donna Jo Kester of Carthage, one son Gabriel Robert Louis Russell of Joplin, one daughter Brianna Smart of the home and one brother Lou William Kester his wife Charity and their daughters Madeline and Scarlett and son Matthew. He is preceded in death by his father, Louis Ernest Kester, February 25, 2008 and one brother Sean Kester May 28, 1998. Visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. Anns Catholic Church Friday November 13, 2015, Rosary will start at 6:00 p.m. with visitation to follow. Mass will be held 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 14, 2015 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Carthage Mo, with Father J Friedel officiating. Music provided by Niki Cloud, organist, family friends will sing. Online condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

SL

“ *My heart goes out to Donna Jo and Lou and his wife. Shane had a heart of gold he was always friendly no matter where I ran into him. I got to see him grow up when we were kids he was my brothers age and Sean's was mine. I always cared for all three brothers. My heart is broken to hear this and my thoughts and prayers will be with his family. He was a one in a million kinda guy and he will be remembered and missed.*

Stephanie Lewis - November 15, 2015 at 03:26 AM

CD

“ *very sorry for your loss my prayers are with you.*

Christopher dyer - November 14, 2015 at 12:31 AM

BG

“ *Words are never adequate in moments like these. Our hearts go out to you and the family. May God's peace be with all of you.*

Brian George - November 13, 2015 at 10:09 AM

JH

“ *This is such sad news, Shane was a great guy! My thoughts and prayers are with his family.*

Jenny Holmes - November 12, 2015 at 11:58 AM

LI

“ *Very sorry for the loss of a very loving funny guy. He was very sweet caring made everyone laugh.*

Lori my roll I - November 11, 2015 at 08:54 PM

KH

“ *Donna and Lou I'm so sorry about shane he was a great guy*

Kim howard - November 11, 2015 at 07:35 PM

AP

“ Laurie, we love you and we hope you feel surrounded by that love in these dark days. Shane was a special man and I am so glad that the two of you found each other, even if it had to be for such a short time. May God give you strength, give you peace, show you love, and help you heal. Love to the Hensley family...who has been like a second family to me. xoxoxo Ariana (and Larry too)

Ariana Peters Patnode - November 11, 2015 at 04:44 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to this family. Shane will always be in my memory and my heart as one of the kindest people I've ever been blessed with knowing. He always had a smile and a kind word for every one he met. It is so difficult to try to accept that this is part of God's plan, but I have faith that it is...and that Sean and Shane are together in Heaven. I will continue to pray that God wraps his arms around your family in this time of loss, and that peace will come to you all. Shane will be forever loved and missed by so many.

Adrienne McKinney (Kephart) - November 11, 2015 at 09:04 AM

YH

“ I am so very sorry for you loss.

Yvonne Holmes - November 11, 2015 at 08:38 AM

EN

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Shane was a wonderful young man. Prayers for peace and comfort in the coming days.

Erica Norris - November 11, 2015 at 01:54 AM

KW

“ Shane will be missed. He was an amazing man

Kara Wagoner - November 10, 2015 at 09:28 PM

BP

“ You will forever be missed!!;) fly high guy!!

Brittany Parish - November 10, 2015 at 08:09 PM

KH

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Shane was an awesome person. I will always remember our many years of CCD.

Katie Ellis Harrison - November 10, 2015 at 07:05 PM