



## Nathan Tyler Craig

February 3, 1982 - August 10, 2010

A LINK TO THE MEMORIAL VIDEO IS UNDER THE PHOTO TO THE RIGHT.

Mattoon, IL-Nathan Tyler Craig, age 28, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 7:20 p.m., Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

The funeral service in his honor will begin at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, August 14, 2010, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL, 61938. Reverend Stephanie Johanpeter will officiate. Interment will be held at a later date. Visitation will be held two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Nathan was born February 3, 1982, in Mattoon, IL, the son of Larry E. and Paula L. (Vincent) Craig. He married Kimberly June McGinness on August 18, 2001 in Cooks Mills, IL. She survives. Other survivors include his parents, Larry Craig and Paula Cramer, both of Mattoon, IL; three children, Chelsea Craig, and twins, Jayden and Lacy Craig; two brothers, Chris Decker and wife Martha of West Plains, MO, and James Decker and wife Jennifer of Mattoon, IL; and four sisters, Amanda Decker of Laverkin, UT, Aimee Boswell and husband Jeff of Mattoon, IL, Gina Moran and husband Kevin of Sullivan, IL, and Tera Craig of Mattoon, IL.

Nathan was employed with R.R. Donnelly of Mattoon. He enjoyed tattoos, drawing, and art. He collected Hotwheels, and was a fan of lowriders, monster trucks, and anything having to do with electronics.

Nathan was a great father and a wonderful family man. Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) to view the memorial tribute, light a virtual candle in his honor, or share a memory with his family.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Nathan Tyler Craig*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Oh Flitter I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. I will be keeping you and your family in my prayers. Martha*

**Martha Roper** - August 18, 2010 at 02:28 AM



“ *Flitter, I am so sorry to hear about your husband. May God bless you and your family.*

**Mary Sanders (marygrndm)** - August 17, 2010 at 12:07 AM



“ *i'm so very sorry mf you know my phone number if you need a shoulder to cry on or someone just to listen too i wish i could do more*

**kathy solis** - August 16, 2010 at 07:27 PM



“ *Kimmie, \r\nYou could have never asked for a better husband & father, Nate fought long & hard to try to stay her with you all! God has other plans for him, even though it hurts so deeply, just remember he is always with you in your hearts! We're sorry we couldn't be there for you, but if you ever need us you know how to reach us! I love you daughter & that will never change! love, Mom Cheryl \r\nKimmie you do mean the world to us! Love, Rick*

**Rick & Cheryl Jewell** - August 15, 2010 at 04:38 PM

JS

“ Dear Paula and family; So sorry for the loss of your son, father, and brother: May the Lord comfort you in your loss. Our prayers are with you.

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**Jan & Bill Smith** - August 14, 2010 at 04:39 PM

SP

“ Paula, it's been many years since I've seen you but I really sorry for your Loss. I can remember the time Larry and you had Nathan when we were at Blaw-Knox.

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**Susan Johnson Van Praag** - August 14, 2010 at 03:24 PM

RD

“ I did not know Nathan I learn about this fight on facebook. To Kim and Family: My heartfelt sympathy to you an your family for the loss of your loved one. God Bless you an your family. \r\n

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**Richard Dinterman** - August 14, 2010 at 05:15 AM

RD

“ Don't think of all the misery, but of all the beauty that still remains. Praying for the family

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**Reginald and Devina Daniels** - August 13, 2010 at 08:53 PM

PS

“ I have the best of memories of Nathan. He brought so much joy and love to everybody who knew him. I will carry him in my heart forever.

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**Peggy and Todd Scherrinsky** - August 13, 2010 at 12:18 PM

TT

“ Although I did not know Nate I followed his ups and downs on Facebook and was so sorry when word came that he had lost the fight. My heart goes out to Kim,the kids and to all his family.

Tena Toews - August 13, 2010 at 03:09 AM

GD

“ Paula, I am so sorry to read of the passing of your beloved son. May God carry you and the family through from now and in the days ahead.  
Love & Prayers, Golda

Golda Dunn - August 13, 2010 at 01:08 AM

PH

“ Bob and I send our love and greatest sympathy for the family of Nathan Craig. Although we never met him in person, we were always so proud of the way he loved and cared for his wife and children! The world needs more men like him. May our Lord give immense comfort to Nate's family during this awesome loss.

Phyllis Hance - August 12, 2010 at 11:22 PM

DL

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. I only knew him from a couple visits to Illinois, he was very kind. Kim, my cousin, I will pray for you and the kids. I am so sorry. He fought for so long, I know that he is in a better place. Love and miss you!!

Dawn,Craig, Kaleb,Kyler and Allie Lint - August 12, 2010 at 11:19 PM

JT

“ So sorry for your loss Kimmie. Nafe was a wonderful person. He will be missed very much. Love you all...

Josh and Amer Tepen - August 12, 2010 at 09:46 PM

MO

“ Nafe, I am so proud of the way you fought to try and overcome your injuries. These last 6 months with you will always be very precious to me. You were an awesome kid and I cant tell you how very proud I am to be your mom. I am the luckiest woman on this earth.I love you so much.

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**Mom** - August 12, 2010 at 08:19 PM

MW

“ Kim, you and your family are in my prayers..Nate fought long and hard and as I have told you many times before, those of us who knew Nate, will never forget what a great man he was...His family was always first in his life and you and the kids always put that sparkle in his eyes..if you need me please don't hesitate to call anytime..God does know his plan..take it day by day and if that is too much, hour by hour or minute by minute..I love you Kim...

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**Marsha Wade** - August 12, 2010 at 12:16 PM

CJ

“ Larry and Paula, I am so sorry for your loss.\r\n\r\nCarolyn Jones

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**Carolyn Jones** - August 12, 2010 at 12:07 PM

DR

“ so sorry for your loss your family is in my thoughts and prayers

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**Dianna Baugh Ransom** - August 12, 2010 at 04:29 AM

WB

“ So sorry for your loss.

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**Wendy Bennett** - August 12, 2010 at 02:02 AM

AP

“ My heart goes out to Nathan's family and his children. Your family is in my prayers. \r\n

Aubrey Palmatier - August 12, 2010 at 12:51 AM

CA

“ My deepest sympathy for Nathans family. I will continue to pray for all of you.

Cathy Anderson - August 12, 2010 at 12:39 AM

RC

“ As the light of life faded from Nathans eyes, a new star was born in the heavens to remind those of us left behind that he lives, whole, pain free and encircled in the loving arms of his creator and Savior Jesus Christ. May the warm & loving memories of Nathan help Larry, Paula, Kim, the kids and all the other friends and family who knew and loved Nathan though these difficult times ahead and give them comfort in times of need.

Richard K Cramer - August 12, 2010 at 12:06 AM

CF

“ We wish to express our deepest condolences to Nathan's family. Although we did not know Nathan personally, we were kept abreast of his bravery and strength through this very difficult struggle via his Uncle Frank. It was very apparant that Nathan was a strong man who gave it his best fight, but God had other plans for him. It was also very obvious that Nathan was loved deeply by his family which is a sign of a great person. We are so sorry for your loss and will keep you in our prayers. Nathan is in a much better place at peace and painfree, and I hope and pray for that same peace with his family.

Chris and Harry Chang and family - August 12, 2010 at 12:01 AM

DB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time of deep sorrow and loss.*

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**Dusty Burton** - August 11, 2010 at 11:35 PM

CD

“ *IF TEARS COULD BUILD A STAIRWAY AND LOVE COULD BUILD A LANE, WE WOULD WALK RIGHT UP TO HEAVEN AND BRING YOU BACK AGAIN.\r\n\r\n YOUR MEMORY WILL LIVE ON FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS, WE LOVE YOU AND MISS MUCH ALREADY! REST PEACEFULLY IN YOUR HEAVENLY FATHERS ARMS.*

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**Chris & Martha Decker** - August 11, 2010 at 11:30 PM

JB

“ *Kimberly, all the kids, siblings, relatives. Aunt Tracy is a dear friend, and that's how I know about "Nafe". My condolences to you all, and I know from all the updates Paula sent to Tracy that this lad really did try his hardest to recover. God just wanted him Home. I won't forget him!*

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**J.Steve Bogie** - August 11, 2010 at 11:28 PM

NL

“ *James & Jennifer-\r\n\r\nI'm so sorry to hear of your loss! You guys are in my thoughts and prayers!\r\n\r\nLove ya,\r\nNeal, Crystal,\r\nElijah, Caleb and Jacob Lamb\r\n\r\n\r\n*

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**Neal & Crystal Lamb** - August 11, 2010 at 11:24 PM

JD

“ *I love you little brother and will always have you in my heart forever!*

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**James Decker** - August 11, 2010 at 10:56 PM

JD

“ Thank you for always caring enough about me to wonder if i was mad!!

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**Jennifer Decker** - August 11, 2010 at 10:44 PM

LC

“ I am proud to be your dad!

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**Larry Craig** - August 11, 2010 at 10:42 PM

JD

“ I love you my brother and will miss you forever

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**James Decker** - August 11, 2010 at 10:40 PM

AJ

“ God needed another angel in Heaven, so he called Nathan home. Nafe fought a good fight, but a miracle was not meant to be. In the arms of the angels, may his soul find eternal peace and rest. Hugs to all his loved ones. May God bless you with comfort and healing as you mourn the loss of Nathan.

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**Aunt Tracy & Uncle Jack** - August 11, 2010 at 10:34 PM

MV

“ A Loving Family Man, you will be sorely missed but forever in our hearts.

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**Mr.& Mrs. Francis M. Vincent** - August 11, 2010 at 10:11 PM