



Billy Ray Rester, III

September 4, 1995 - September 24, 2012

Billy Ray Rester III, age 17

and a resident of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi passed away on Monday, September 24, 2012 at University Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi. Born on September 4, 1995, Billy would live in the Plainview Community, Bay St. Louis and relocated for four years following Hurricane Katrina to Guntown, Mississippi, where he enjoyed playing football for his middle school team. Upon his return to the Gulf Coast, Billy attended Bay High School and was a member of the JROTC and excelled on the Marksmanship team. An extreme patriot, from toddler age he dreamed of serving the United States in the military.

He was known for adopting stray animals and making them his pets; had a ready smile for those around him; and immense affection for his mother and sister. Billy was a kind and loving son, brother, uncle, grandson and nephew, and his death will leave a great hole in the lives of his extended families in the Bogalusa and Franklinton areas as well as those of his friends in the Bay community.

He is survived by his mother, Paula Evans Rester, one sister and brother-in-law, Chaz and Leslie Piazza and nephew Cade Piazza. He is also survived by his grandparents Billy Ray Sr. and Sandra Rester, T. A. and Darylene Gillispie, and Billy Evans and his great grandmother Glenn Applewhite. Other survivors include his Aunts Donna Bowman, Lisa Thomas, Toni (Jeff) Tageant, and Cousins Meghan Thomas, Ashley Bowman, Evan and Clay Tageant, Blayne

and Mason Bowman, and Ethan Rester.

He was preceded in death by his father Billy Ray Rester Jr, his grandmother Helen Evans, his uncle Darryl Rester and his great grandfather Albert Applewhite.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at Mt. Zion Pentecostal Church in Franklinton. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am with the service to follow at 11:00 am officiated by Reverend Leon Hickman. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to cover emergency room and air medi-vac expenses. His ashes will be interred at Mizell Cemetery in a private service at a later date.

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Tribute Wall

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“ Billy was a great friend his spirit will live forever, everytime i was sad he would always cheer me up Billy you will be missed

Terry Tartavouille - October 01, 2012 at 10:59 PM

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“ May The Lord be with you during this difficult time...prayers for strength, peace and love...Billy is not in pain anymore in the arms of his father and his heavenly Father...may God's Grace be with you all...

Anonymous - September 25, 2012 at 08:11 PM

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“ Paula, You and Les will be in our prayer. So sorry for your loss.

Travis Young - September 25, 2012 at 07:46 PM

MP

“ Billy was an amazing friend and all around person. He was one of my first two friends when I had moved to Mississippi. I would always try to come over to his house and just hang out with him. I miss him and he will always be in my heart forever. I love billy forever and always.

Michael Phillips - September 25, 2012 at 07:35 PM

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“ Billy always brightened my day with his smile... He loved AFJROTC, and will truly be missed....

Andrea Johnson-Young, MSgt (Ret) - September 25, 2012 at 03:11 PM

DL

“ Billy was friends with my boys, he camped in my yard and went boating on the river with us he was a fun, happy kid. My heart is broken for your loss.....

Don and Amy Leventon - September 25, 2012 at 01:15 PM

TS

“ Paula and Family...My prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this time...
Tammy Walker Smith

Tammy Smith - September 25, 2012 at 11:30 AM

CM

“ My heart aches for your family. I know the feeling of losing a loved one at such a young age. I pray that God give yall the strength and courage to face the difficult days ahead. May God bless each of you.

Connie Mizell McDaniel - September 25, 2012 at 11:21 AM

DC

“ So Sorry

Douglas Cooper - September 25, 2012 at 09:33 AM

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“ May God bless you & your family with peace. May his love carry you for the days to come. My heart goes out to you & yours.

With Heartfelt Sympathy Eddie, Yolanda & Joshua Sanders

Eddie, Yolanda & Joshua Sanders - September 25, 2012 at 12:04 AM