



William Collier

September 9, 1975 - March 2, 2012

William Elijah Collier, age 36 of Bristol, VA died Friday, March 2, 2012 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Kingsport, TN. He was born September 9, 1975 at Bluefield, WV and was the son of Sharon Harrison of Tazewell, VA and William Collier and Sylvia, of Bristol, VA. William was a Middle School Teacher with the Russell County Public School Systems, serving at Lebanon Middle School. He was a 1994 graduate of Richlands High School and a graduate from both Virginia Intermont College at Abingdon, VA and King College in Bristol, VA. William enjoyed teaching and carpentry. He liked lifting weights, watching baseball and billiards. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Larry "Pete" Harrison and Virginia Louise Quesenberry; paternal grandparents, Elijah and Ruby Collier. In addition to his parents, those left to cherish his memory include his daughter, Blayne Nazonie Collier of Elizabethton, TN; two sisters, Michelle Collier Ward of Stanardsville, VA and Nicole Collier Lane of Pulaski, VA; four nephews, Dakota, Skyler, Coleten, and Jayden; two nieces, Codi and Keyrah; one grandnephew, Liam; six aunts, Diane Herald and husband, Donnie of Gratton, VA, Shirley Rose and husband, Jimmy of Doran, VA, Katherine Woolson of Tazewell, VA, Bette Collier and Brenda Sparks and husband, Tom, all of North Tazewell, VA, and Linda Ward and husband, Glenn of Pearisburg, VA; cousins and friends also survive. A Celebration of Life for William Elijah Collier will be conducted at 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 5, 2012 at the Hurst – Scott Funeral Home Chapel

in Tazewell, VA with his family leading the service; nephews Coleten and Jayden will serve as Ushers. Military Honors will be conducted by members of the Barns – Beavers VFW Post #7136 in Tazewell, VA. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 3 - 5 p.m. Monday, March 5, 2012. In honoring William's wishes, his body will be cremated after the services and burial will be private at the Harrison Family Cemetery in Clifffield, VA.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Collier*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM




“ *William Collier*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM

NL

“ You had no idea just how much you were truly loved by so many. Especially me! I miss you beyond words. I loved the way you said whatever was in your mind to someone and never behind their back, although it was not always seen as something good by those on the receiving end. And i myself was there a few times lol. But lord, what i wouldn't give for you to make me mad in some way. I love you Butch. And I know my kids miss you very much also, and those kids you taught were heartbroken at your funeral. You were such an amazing teacher. U taught me biology in like 5 min like it was a kindergarten thing. I see why you had 100% passing 4 years in a row. You had a deep care for people tho many didn't get see that part of you. But I'm so thankful i did. And when i got my head busted open and was so scared i wouldn't wake up if i fell asleep, I felt you letting my head lay on your lap and i felt you playing with my hair so gently, & I was woke up every 15 min on the dot thru the remainder of that night.

I know it was you that took care of and protected me and I thank you for that. I was so comforted by your presence and love. Well, I just wanted to write a little something since your birthday is almost here so I could let others know how wonderful you were and how it crushed my soul to lose you. But we'll be together again one day when it's my time. I'm in no hurry for that but I can't wait to see you again. I miss you every single day and think of you throughout those days. I love you my brother. I know you're safe & feel loved in the arms of the Lord. Happy (couple days early) Birthday!!! Until i see your beautiful big smile and big beautiful blue eyes again, you'll be held safely in my  heart. So hard to believe it's been 9 years already.

Nicole Collier Lane - September 06, 2021 at 05:33 AM

SH

“ My precious son, I miss you more than words can ever say. My heart us broken and will never be mended until we meet again. I loved you with all my heart the first time I held you in my arms, and looked at your beautiful face and huge blue eyes. God knows how much I have always loved you, and will until the day I close my eyes forever and beyond. My precious baby I miss you with all my heart, and you have left a great void in my life that will never be filled. I love you my Angel, and miss you so much. I wish I could hold you again. Until we meet again my son. All my love, Mom.

Sharon Harrison - August 21, 2015 at 12:35 AM

WA

“ Sharon & Family,

I am so sorry for your loss...You all are in my thoughts and prayers

Wanda - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Two of my children had Mr. Collier for a teacher at Lebanon Middle School. They both really liked him. I am so sorry for your loss.

Susan Holmes - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NL



Nicole Collier Lane - September 06, 2021 at 05:35 AM

CT

“ Will Collier will be remembered at Lebanon Middle School. Godspeed...

Carolyn Townes - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NL



Nicole Collier Lane - September 06, 2021 at 05:36 AM

WM

“ To: the collier family I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Of your son. There is no words to express my Sympathy. I had a bro. to get killed age 38 and it took me a long time to get over it, and still memories linger. I will be praying that God will help all of you.If it had not been for prayer I couldn't have made it. I am a long time friend of Shirley. God bless you all.
Wanda

wanda mcglathlin - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Will was a great teacher and friend. He will be missed. I'm glad I was able to see him again as he taught my daughter Maddie this year in 7th grade Science. She and her friends are upset by this tragedy and miss him. May God give his family strength and comfort in their time of grief. God bless you all.

Tracy Johnson - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Mr. Collier shared some of his science class supplies with me when I was substituting at LMS earlier this year. He had many photos of his daughter in his classroom and you could tell he was very proud of her. May God comfort your family during this time.

Linda Fletcher - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I am so very sorry for your lost .

cassandra clifton - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ I was so shocked and saddened to read about Will's passing in today's paper.
I remember him as being a very nice young man. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Myra Orr - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Mr. Collier taught all three of my children while in 7th grade. My youngest had him this year. He will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with all those he left behind.

Suzanne Potts - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Will..I used to take care of his little girl where I used to work at...she sure loved him and I know that he loved her too...It's sad but we all know that he's in a better place and resting and looking down at us smiling.....May the lord be with you all....Ms..Tammy

Tammy Garland - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My deepest condolences go out to Will's family in this time of deep tragedy, I'll always remember the fighting spirit Will personified. All his colleagues will miss him.

Richard Hess - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

IA

“ we are so sorry to hear about butch we just found out today we will be thinking of your family Irland and Zana

Irland Zana Asbury - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ I love you and miss you so terribly bad. It's still so surreal. I will always make sure Blayne Nahzoni nevers forgets her daddy and how truly much you love her. You were always someone I looked up to. I love you big brother! You are forever in my heart..And many more love you that you never even knew of. I miss you

Nicole Collier-Lane - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ I want you back so badly. I thought that it may get a little easier to deal with as time passed, but I couldn't be more wrong. I miss you as badly today, as I did on the day we lost you. So unfair. You've left a huge hole in my heart, and it will surely never be filled. I love you so much. Michelle

Michelle - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM