



## Brandon Colfax Johnson

August 18, 1970 - October 22, 2012

Brandon Colfax Johnson, 42 of Ardmore, Alabama died on Monday, October 22, 2012, at his home in Ardmore, Alabama. Born Tuesday, August 18, 1970 in Huntsville, Alabama, he was preceded in death by his father: Joe Stanford Johnson, his grandparents, and numerous friends and loved ones. He lived most of his life in the Ardmore area. Surviving are his parents: Cellastine & Johnny Hardiman of Ardmore, AL; sons: Christopher Scott of Ardmore, AL, Tyler Martin of Ardmore, AL and Waylon Johnson of Ardmore, AL; daughter, Lacey Beddingfield of Ardmore, AL; brothers, Misha Hardiman of Ardmore, AL and Casey Hardiman of Ardmore, AL; sister, Shelley Pressnell of Ardmore, TN; and several nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home, Ardmore, Alabama. The family will receive friends from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home, Ardmore, Alabama. Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.ardmorechapel.com](http://www.ardmorechapel.com)

# Tribute Wall

“ *My First Christmas in Heaven*

*I see the countless  
Christmas trees  
around the world below  
With tiny lights, like Heaven's stars,  
reflecting on the snow*

*The sight is so spectacular,  
please wipe away the tear  
For I am spending Christmas with  
Jesus Christ this year.*

*I hear the many Christmas songs  
that people hold so dear  
But the sounds of music can't compare  
with the Christmas choir up here.*

*I have no words to tell you,  
the joy their voices bring,  
For it is beyond description,  
to hear the angels sing.*

*I know how much you miss me,  
I see the pain inside your heart.  
But I am not so far away,  
We really aren't apart.*

*So be happy for me, dear ones,  
You know I hold you dear.  
And be glad I'm spending Christmas  
with Jesus Christ this year.*

*I sent you each a special gift,  
from my heavenly home above.  
I sent you each a memory  
of my undying love.*

*After all, love is a gift more precious  
than pure gold.  
was always most important  
the stories Jesus told.*

*Please love and keep each other,  
my Father said to do.  
I can't count the blessing or love  
has for each of you.*

*So have a Merry Christmas and  
Wipe away that tear  
Remember, I am spending Christmas with  
Jesus Christ this year*

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**Janice Tomelrin- Finley** - December 13, 2012 at 10:26 PM

JT

“ Cella, Johnny and family, I did not know till last night about your loss. A am so very sorry. You have my prayers and thoughts. May God give you strength and courange to face this. Hugs  
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*When tomorrow starts without me, And I'm not there to see; If the sun should rise and find your eyes All filled with tears for me; I wish so much you wouldn't cry The way you did today, While thinking of the many things, We didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, As much as I love you, And each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too; But when tomorrow starts without me, Please try to understand, That an angel came and called my name, And took me by the hand, And said my place was ready, In heaven far above, And that I'd have to leave behind All those I dearly love. But as I turned to walk away, A tear fell from my eye, For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die. I had so much to live for, So much yet to do, It seemed almost impossible, That I was leaving you. I thought of all the yesterdays, The good ones and the bad, I thought of all the love we shared, And all the fun we had. If I could relive yesterday, Just even for awhile, I'd say good-bye and kiss you And maybe see you smile. But then I fully realized, That this could never be For emptiness and memories, Would take the place of me. And when I thought of worldly things, I might miss come tomorrow, I thought of you, and when I did, My heart was filled with sorrow. But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, From His great golden throne, He said "This is eternity, And all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, But here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, But today will always last, And since each day's the same way There's no longing for the past. But you have been so faithful, So trusting and so true. Though there were times you did some things, You knew you shouldn't do. But you have been forgiven And now at last you're free. So won't you take my hand And share my life with me? So when tomorrow starts without me, Don't think we're far apart, For every time you think of me, I'm right here, in your heart. Earths' loss is Heavens' gain. May God be with you.*

**Janice Tomelri-Finley** - October 31, 2012 at 11:14 PM

TC

“ I also was a classmate and friend of Brandy.I do remember what fun he always was. I am so sorry for your loss and are praying for peace in your families lives. Respectfully yours, Tracy Smith Crow

**Tracy Smith Crow** - October 29, 2012 at 03:22 PM

KS

“ I am so very sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.

**Kimberly Meadows Sanderson** - October 29, 2012 at 02:54 PM

LM

“ So sorry to hear of the terrible loss of your loved one. He graduated with our daughter, Kimberly. I remember him from school and they were friends on face book. Such a tragic thing. I pray for your family and my heart is saddened for you.

**Larry & Linda Meadows** - October 29, 2012 at 01:47 PM

DP

“ So sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers/

**Doyle and Judy Posey** - October 28, 2012 at 01:13 PM

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**Wendy Mitchell Thornton** - October 24, 2012 at 04:10 PM

HC

“ i just read the Shopper. I cannot explain completely but i know personally there are no words that can get thru right now. I know the numbness. My brother, Andy Elliott, and Brandy were best friends. Best friends -when their lives were more innocent and happy. I will never forget how they both laughed=they would truly turn beet red in the face laughing at everything= and they knew deep down they would always be friends, Im not sure of much in this world anymore, but I am certain my brother was there to hold his friends hand at the gates of Heaven. My heart truly breaks for you. With much regards, Holly Elliott, Horace and Claire Elliott, and my children, Nick Calvert and Brandon Calvert.

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**holly elliot calvert** - October 24, 2012 at 10:34 AM

JP

“ I was sorry to read the loss of your son, Cellie. I know this must be a very difficult time. And such a painful loss. Praying for you and your family. I reminisce often since Ruth and I lost Mother and Daddy. Memories often include friends and families like you and yours. God will see you through as I already know personally.

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**Judy Coggin Pounders** - October 24, 2012 at 09:43 AM

TM

“ So sorry for your loss.

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**Tracy Eells Malone** - October 24, 2012 at 12:37 AM

VI

“ i am so sorry for your loss. brandy was a great guy..it seems like yesterday him and my brother [curtis carter]were hanging out at the house. when we were teenagers...he will me missed....vickie carter mattingly

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**vickie** - October 23, 2012 at 11:08 PM

DB

“ I am so sorry about your loss. I am not able to attend but you all are certainly in my thoughts and prayers. It must be a very difficult time. I love you all.

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**Daisy Barnett** - October 23, 2012 at 07:32 PM

LH

“ I am a former classmate and friend of Brandy. I regret that I was unable to attend his visitation and memorial. I just want his family to know that when I think of Brandy, I always smile. Because that is always what he was doing. My regards go out to you and my prayers are with you through this difficult time.

Respectfully,  
Lorrie Hallmark

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**Lorrie Pylant Hallmark** - October 23, 2012 at 06:55 PM