



## Eden Bubba Durst

August 22, 2011

Eden Lawrence "Bubba" Durst, age 7, of Keyesville, died Monday, August 22, 2011 surrounded by his family at the Children's University Hospital in Madison from a long & courageous battle with CGD a rare immune deficiency disease. Bubba was born November 22, 2003 in Richland Center the son of Duane & Bobbi Jo (Offerdahl) Durst. Bubba was going to be a 2nd grader at Ithaca Elementary School. He loved being on the farm, pedal pulling, Allis Chalmers tractors, Dodge diesel trucks and he loved to cook & eat when he was feeling good.

Survivors include his parents Duane & Bobbi Jo Durst of Keyesville; brothers & sisters Lexi Klatt, Dawson Durst, Kaili Klatt, Hudson Durst, & Elli Durst; grandparents David & Donna Durst of Keyesville; grandma Barb Knight of Sextonville; great grandparents Jerry & Florence Durst of Keyesville; great grandma Rita Draves of Avoca; great grandpa Jack Colsch of Richland Center; aunts & uncles, Godparents Theresia (Josh) Clary of Richland Center, Billi Jo Gander of Sextonville, & Rita Offerdahl of Sextonville; a special friend Neal Zoellick of Bear Valley; Bubba's dog Dodge; many cousins, other relatives & friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandpa Jurgen Jr. Offerdahl.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at 11:00 AM at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Richland Center with Fr. Eric Berns & Fr. Gary Wankerl officiating. Burial will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery in Keyesville. Friends may call on Friday, August 26, 2011 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the CLARY MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME in Richland Center, and also on Saturday at church in Richland Center from 10:00 AM until the time of services. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to the family. On line condolences can be made at [www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com)

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“ I always think of you and come on this site once and a while to read about you I love you and i am always thinking about you - Landon Thompson

Landon Thompson - October 29, 2017 at 11:11 PM

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“ May Gods comfort, peace, and, blessings be with your family always. Let the memories of your little guy always comfort you as well and make you smile...until you meet again

SM - Saint Clair, MI - sister in Christ - June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Solo te conocí por un momento, comimos pizza y platique con tu mama, te veia en el Children`s Inn y en el hospital. Supe que eras un niño especialmente hermoso en todos los sentidos y que afrontaste tu enfermedad como los grandes. Hasta hoy he orado todas las noches por tu salud, sentía que ya no estabas entre nosotros, pero aun así me negaba a buscar tu nombre en internet. Hoy se que esta en el cielo y que eres un ángel maravilloso lleno de luz, seguiré pidiendo por que tu familia tenga paz en su corazón. Buba te mando todo mi corazón y mi amor, lamento por todo lo que pasaste tu y tu familia, pero Dios los recompensara aquí o en el otro mucho. Un abrazo a todos.

Cristina - Mexico - Conocida - March 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Today would have been your 8th Birthday my dear Bubba Lou, I miss you so much. I wish you were here with us. May the angles help you celebrate in heaven as we remember the joy you brought to all of us.

I will always love you Bubba Lou, and thinking of you will always make me happy even through the tears.

Love always

Lori Rose

Lori Rose - Loganville, WI - November 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ It has been one month since you left us to be with Jesus. My heart breaks more everyday because I mis you so much. I know you are in heaven wtching over us and waiting for us to be together again but that does not ease the pain I feel. I would give anything to have you hear with me, to tell me how much you love me and laugh and giggle together like we did everyday. We love you, and miss you more and more eachday our sweet angel.

Bobbi Jo Durst - Keyesville, WI - mother - September 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bobbi and family,  
My prayers and blessings are with you. May your family and Bubba find peace.

Dan Pulvermacher - Muscoda, WI - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bubba!

As I write tears stream down my cheek. I let 7 orange balloons go yesterday with a saying on each them and watched until I could see them no longer. I won't forget the little talks we had on the phone. You talked so grown and so mature for a seven year old. I remember laughing when you said "well I guess I better let you go". The same thing your mom would always say to me "Well I guess I better you go". You will be dearly missed and I won't forget those beautiful eyes and those cheekers. You will always have a special place in my heart and I love you always.

Aunt Shirley from Arkansas

Shirley Clary - Conway, AR - Aunt - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ jurgen was my friend in germany while in the army.

freddie g. mortom - martinsville, VA - friend of jurgen offerdahl,army - August 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My favorite memory of my friend, Bubba, is when he came over to my house one Saturday afternoon. We drove my monster truck and pulled my brother, Caleb, behind us in our red wagon.

Jed Scallon - Bear Valley, WI - Friend and Classmate at Ithaca - August 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My favorite memory of Bubba is when the kindergarten class went on a field trip to the Oakwood Fruit Farm. Bubba took my hand as we walked around. Bubba was so sweet and had a big heart. I was very touched that he trusted me after only meeting me one time before.

The kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Gabrielse, was surprised to learn that my son, Jed, never met Bubba before kindergarten, because she said they were best friends from the first day of school. Jed said that he knew Bubba when he went to 4K. Jed went to school opposite days from Bubba, but when the bus would pick up Bubba's brothers and sisters, Bubba would run out to the bus and want to go to school, too. Jed also said that he became friends with Bubba, because he liked tractors and big trucks.

Sheley Scallon - Bear Valley, WI - Bubba's friend, Jed's mom - August 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Duane and Bobbi Jo and family ~ We are so sorry to hear about Bubba's passing. He was a lucky little boy to have such wonderful parents and an amazing family.  
"I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love." - Leo Buscaglia

Jill Plonka - Cazenovia, WI - friend - August 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Bobbi Jo, Duane, and family,

It was so nice to see you yesterday and to be so welcomed by your family! Noel enjoyed seeing where Bubba lived and liked his 'skidoo' and 4 wheeler. We were sorry to miss his funeral today with the Hurricane.

It was wonderful to meet Bubba and have lots of laughs and memories with him. He was a special little one and we are sad that he is not here. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time.

Lots of Love,

Anne, Ethan, and Noel

Anne Robillard & Ethan and Noel Young - Calgary, Alberta, Canada - NIH friends - August 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Good to see that Bubba had such good faith. Our Prayers will be with you all.

Irene Klatt - Richland Center, WI - friend of the family - August 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Duane, Bobbie Jo and Family,

We want to let you know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Bubba was such a cute little guy, we always remember him when we stopped at the farm. He would always tell us about his dog, and the tractors. Heaven has a adorable angel there. He will watch over all his family now and someday see you all again. God Bless You All.

Bob and Darcy Fields

Bob & Darcy Fields - Reedsburg, WI - Friends - August 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bubba was so good at covering how sick he truly was. He always made the best of the time he had. The last day that he was able to visit with us, he gained the strength to sit up in a wheelchair for a couple hours and play with his tractor on the table. He asked his cousin Logie for a hug and wanted him to stay until his Dad went home for the night. Bubba's family was very important to him and he would freely say, "I love you". I will always remember his beautiful smile, sparkling blue eyes, and cow lick. He was so full of life and always asking questions. Bubba has enriched our lives greatly and will be forever missed.

Theresia, Josh, Alyssa, and Logan Clary - Richland Center, WI - Aunt, Uncle, Cousins - August 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I will always remember your love for us and the sound of your voice when you said your last words. I love you more than words can say, just like you would always say the same to me. I hope you were comforted knowing you left this world craddled in the arms of dad and I. I know you are an Angel in Heaven and I will think about you everyday until I can see you again. I love you my sweet little boy.

Bobbi Jo Durst - Richland Center, WI - Mother - August 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Little Angels When God calls little children to dwell with Him above. We mortals sometimes question the wisdom of His love. for no heartache compares with the death of one small child, who does so much to make our world seem wonderful and mild. Perhaps God tires of calling the aged to His fold. So He picks a rosebud before it can grow old. God knows how much we need them and so He takes but few, to make the land of Heaven more beautiful to view. Believing this is difficult still somehow we must try. The saddest word mankind know will always be "Goodbye". So when a child departs we who are left behind, must realize God loves children, Angels are hard to find. ~Author Unknown  
May god be with you and comfort you when you need it most,  
our sympathy is with you.  
Stacy, Dirk, and mariah Dieters

Stacy & Dirk Dieter - Minneapolis, MN - family of shaun dieter - August 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My family's thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bret Louis - Arena, WI - friend - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I can remember when Bubba was just a baby and he always wanted to go to Brad. I think Duane and Brad looked a little alike to him. Brad was so proud and he would hold him for awhile until he was ready to go back to Mom. Even as a baby Bubba always had a smile on his face. Bubba has been an inspiration to each and everyone of us. His love for life, his love for his family. Bubba was a fighter, a wonderful trait he inherited from his parents. Bubba has lived a short life here on earth, but actually he will live on for very long life because he lives in each us. Just remember everytime the wind blows and the dirt stirs around you, Bubba just passed you with his tractor with a big smile on his face. Then gently the wind changes directions and Bubba came back to give you a gentle hug and you still can hear his little laugh.

Brad & Dana Durst - Richland Center, WI - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ When ever I would go to his Great Grampa's Farm to breed one of the cows Bubba and his brothers,sisters or cousins ( who ever would happen to be at Grampa's farm that day) Would come over to my car and ask for dog treats to feed to Bubba's dog Dodge before I went in the barn. But when I came back out of the barn and was getting ready to leave Bubba would always work me over to get more dog treats, he would say Dodge is still hungry.

My deepest sympathy to all of Bubba's Family  
Tim Lins

Tim Lins - Plain, WI - Friend - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bobbi Jo and Duane, We are so sorry for the loss of your beautiful son. Please know that we are all praying for you and your family during this very difficult time. The courage of your baby boy has had a tremendous impact on everyone. May we all live our lives with such courage and determination.

John and Angie Young - Hillpoint, WI - Friends - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bubba we'll NEVER forget your bright eyes and beautiful smile as long as we live. You have the light of Christ within you that shone every day. Sleep now beautiful child in the love and comfort of our sweet Lord Jesus. We will love you always

Aunt Patti Farber and Family

Aunt Patti Farber - Reedsburg, WI - Great Aunt - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ To The Durst Family

Words are not enough to express how sorry we are to hear of Bubba's passing. Please know we have not stopped thinking or praying for you since we have left NIH. Wishing you the strength and faith to get through this difficult time. Sending you our deepest sympathy.

The Paquette Family  
David, Lisa, Bryan & Jacob

Lisa Paquette - Swansea, MA - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ What a strong and courageous fighter! Bubba was the strongest little boy and with a contagious smile. Your Big Brothers looked up to YOU for strength and courage. Although you have left us here now, you are ever present in memories. There is comfort in knowing you are there with Grandpa and Grandma Rockweiler. I am sure they found you and you are talking about Allis Chalmers tractors and the pulls you had with your brothers.

Hudson Durst, Hope & Tracy Hom - Chetek, WI - brother & family - August 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Friends Please know that Jim and I have you all in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Bubba certainly is an inspiration to all . The bravest little guy any one can know and love. Your memories will never fade away and the lessons he taught all of will forever stay in our minds. There are no words to tell you how we feel. Always remember the love.-----  
Your LOU people

jim and ellen luois - lonerock, WI - friends of family - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Please be comforted knowing how many people prayed many days for Bubba. I guess God has a better plan & we may never understand why until we all meet again. What a brave fight Bubba fought. I'm so very sad & sorry to hear the news  
You must try find comfort in knowing that his pain is over and now he can rest.

Smallest Dairy Farmer  
from North Dakota (.Agweb member)

Ann Hoerner - Almont, ND - friend from Agweb. SDF - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I never met Bubba but I Know his Dad Grandpa Dave Great Grandpa Jerry and many other family members My heart and prayers go out to all of you May God Bless

Rodney Schulze - Richland Center, WI - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ From Anne and Noel's Uncle Boo & Auntie Carol, we send our deepest sympathy to you all. May the love from your family and friends give you comfort as you celebrate Bubba's life.

John & Carol McDonald - Phoenix, AZ - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ All of us here are very saddened to hear of Bubba's passing and send all of our love to the entire Durst family. No doubt God has gained a special little angel home. May you all find strength and peace in knowing that someday you will all be together again...you will be running and skipping and enjoying eternal peace with no more pain or suffering...this is our guaranteed for only asking to all who accept our loving God. God bless each and everyone of you.....you will be in our prayers.

Judy Green Bob & Connie Ballah & family  
Entire staff at Tri-Green Interstate Equipment, Inc.  
London, Ohio

Tri-Green Interstate Equipment, Inc - London, OH - friends - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Bubba, but what a beautiful face!!  
My deepest sympathy and prayers go to his family.  
With a beautiful face like his, I am sure he will be one of God's finest ANGELS.

Donna Ingmire Rose - Richland Center, WI - none - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have never met bubba but my sympathies go out to the family. From the pictures he looked like a great little kid!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

stacy pletzer - richland center, WI - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincerest sympathies for your family. I met Bubba and Bobbi Jo at the NIH when I was visiting Noel and Anne. Bubba was such a good friend to Noel. He will be missed. My prayers are dedicated to you and your family at this sad time.

Paula  
Burlington, Ontario, Canada

Paula Mitton - Burlington, Ontario, Canada - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I can not even began to tell you how sorry I am for your loss. I never met Bubba but after reading the memories and viewing the pictures, I know that heaven is a lot brighter because of him. What a beautiful little boy-again I am sorry for your loss and thinking of your family during this difficult time.

Nicole Neeffe Kartman - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I wanted to express my deepest sympathy to the entire Durst family. You all are in our thoughts and our prayers.

Lisa Coy - Richland Center, WI - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ There are no words that can be said, so please just know that we are thinking of your family and you are in our thoughts and prayers!

Vicki Sander - Lone Rock, WI - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ There are no words that can express how deeply saddened I am for your loss. I know you will all miss Bubba terribly. I only hope you can find consolation knowing that he is now well and happy in heaven. He has left us all with many life lessons and the world is indeed a better place because he was a part of it.

Barb Clary - Richland Center, WI - friend - August 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ You have my condolence

Sharon Markin - Richland Center, WI - friend - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I had the sweetest blessing to know this little man. While mom ran errands he stayed with us a few times. He was so full of life and had the most amazing sense of humor for such a little man. He loved to talk tractors and farming, I of course knew nothing about but he sure did! He loved his grandpa's farm and talked about his visits there.

Since I heard the news I have cried multiple times the last couple days. I can't even imagine what his mommy and daddy, brothers, sisters, grandparents, cousins, aunts, uncles, and your entire family must be feeling. I know his mommy and daddy did everything they could and fought hard for little Bubba. You guys are amazing parents and I know Bubba felt that. Your constant love and support for him during his illness was felt and seen by anyone that knew your family. God Bless you Duane, Bobbi Jo, and your family. Just know that Bubba no longer hurts and his little body has been made perfect. He is resting in heaven, finally with Jesus. God Bless you guys

Angela Rohn and family - Bear Valley, WI - friend - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Im so sorry he was such a little fighter and try to find comfort knowing he is one of Gods angels now. My heart aches for all of you, with love and sympathy Mandy

Mandy Brewer - WI - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ We just wanted to share a story about the prayer bell in our house. When we were teaching Bubba to pray before the meal we taught him the Bless Us O Lord and the Hail Mary which we prayed both before eating. I gave him the prayer bell to ring and then we would pray. For him it wasn't good enough for him to ring it he wanted everyone surrounded at the table to ring it. That became a tradition in our house. Whether Catholic or not you participated and if Bubba didn't hear you pray he let you know about it. We still ring the prayer bell even though Bubba isn't with us anymore. He would want us to and for his sister Elli. We were ever so proud of him on the day of his benefit in Ithaca when he lead the meal prayer for everyone. When he finished everyone applauded. Bubba caused a lot of people to pray.

Donna and Dave Durst - Richland Center, WI - Grandparents - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My heart aches for your loss. I will forever remember his larger than life smile. I used to babysit Eden and he once told me I made the best peanut butter and jelly sandwiches in the whole world. When he was home visiting his aunt Jackie he asked me if I could make him one of my peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. What a remarkable young boy! God has a very special angel in heaven and as we all know God only takes the very best.

You will NEVER be forgotten and Bubba Thanks for being a part of my life.

Love, Miss Bernadette

bernadette maglish - richland center, WI - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Eric and I would like to tell you how sorry we are for your loss. We were at a benefit for Bubba and were lucky enough to meet him. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of this beautiful little boy.

Cari and Eric Rickman - White Bear Lake, MN - Family Friend - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ There are no words to comfort you at this difficult time. He was truly an angel sent to you and you gave him all the love and time you could. Your whole family gave Bubba your all, and with that I hope you can take some comfort. Only time will lighten this load and knowing Bubba is free from all pain now. Bubba captured the hearts of everyone, even those who did not know him. He makes you all be thankful for all you have and to think of not complaining over trivial things. He was a very brave little boy with a wonderful, loving family there for him.

Kathy Wunnicke - Spring Green, WI - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I was a friend of Duane's back in high school, and although I didn't know Bubba I wanted to express my deepest sympathy to the entire Durst family. He was a beautiful boy and God is lucky to have him in heaven. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Amber Muckler - Richland Center, WI - Friend of Duane - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. God Bless.

Amy Cook and Family - Richland Center, WI - Friends with Auntie Margaret - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I'll never forget the day in Grandma Teddy's living room when we popped the air out of our cheeks, like the sound of a champagne cork popping. You giggled so hard each time we did it, I didn't think you were going to stop laughing! The light from your eyes and smile will brighten our path all the days of our lives Bubba. You are truly our hero and have brought happiness and strength to so many. Thank you for sharing your heart with us. We will miss you and hope to see you one day again.

In God's love, Aunt Patti Farber and Family

Aunt Patti Farber - Reedsburg, WI - Great Aunt - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Although we never met Bubba we shared in his story with our good friends Anne Robillard and Noel Young. He sounds like he was an amazing young man and fought an incredibly brave battle. Although we have never met, please accept our humble sympathy to you and your entire family.

Sincerely, Donna, Chris, Colby and Tyler Lindeburg  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Donna Lindeburg - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I am a friend of Hope's. Just wanted to show my sympathy and tell you that your little boy is beautiful. I am so sorry for your loss. May God bring you peace.

Janice Boettcher - Sauk City, WI - None - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ hi,am so sorry to hear that bubba has pass-on,the last time i was there i came there to visit you and bubba but no one was in the room at the hospital,both i and my mother are truly sorry that we won't be able to make it to the funeral but our hopes,faith,love and blessings goes out to your entire family and friends AM SORRY FOR THE PASSING OF EDEN"BUBBA" DURST.We wish your family a long,healthy, happy life. All our blessings goes out too your entire family and love ones,bye till i see you next time.  
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Latresha Robinson - bronx, NY - friend - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Bubba is hanging out with grandpa June, telling him all kinds of things about tractors. Miss you Bubba.

Terri Perkins - Fairborn, OH - cousin - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I don't have words to express my sorrow over losing one of the most wise, wonderful, caring, and perfect people I ever met. Bubba will always be my hero for fighting a fight with more bravery than anyone could have asked him to give. He offered hope and brought happiness. Despite his age, he lived life with more strength than many adults, and I pray that his life will bring strength to live a life without him. Our family is sending all our love to Duane and his family.

Juli Thompson - Eyota, MN - Cousin - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We will always remember the faith and strength that Bubba had. We still talk about the prayer he said at the benefit at Ithaca. We should all pray for the faith that this young boy had. Heaven is a wonderful place that we are sure has the color orange. God will be getting a lesson on the best tractors ever.

John, Linda and Patrick Peterson - Keyesville, WI - August 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ We will remember the strength and faith of Bubba. We still hear him saying the prayer at his benefit at Ithaca. We all need to pray for the child like faith that this brave young boy had. God be with the family in this very difficult time. Heaven is a wonderful place, and we are sure he will make sure it has alot of orange, and God will learn about the best tractors ever made.

John, Linda, and Patrick Peterson - Keyesville, WI - August 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest well, little one. You have been a part of so many lives.

Sue Anderson - Richland Center, WI - August 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM