



Brant Lane Craig

July 1, 1953 - July 16, 2009

Mr. Brant Lane Craig, 56 of Fort Payne died Thursday July 16, 2009. Brant was born July 1, 1953 son of the late Lloyd Craig. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Fort Payne, Fort Payne Masonic Lodge # 437 F & AM. He graduated Fort Payne High School in 1971 and was a graduate of Jacksonville State University, 1976. He was serving as a Dekalb County Commissioner, had served as CEO/General Manager of Built Rite Building, Founder & Co Owner of High Cotton Enterprises, Co-Owner of the Huntsville Stars, AA Minor League Baseball, Founder/Owner of Desto Designs, Founder/Co-Owner of Soft-Touch Hosiery Inc, Founder/Co-Owner of Desto Athletic Sporting Goods. He was very active in community activities, Kiwanis Club, in 1998 & 2002 he was given the Award of Distinction, Fort Payne Parks & Recreation Boosters, Fort Payne High School Athletic Boosters, Fort Payne Chamber of Commerce, June Jam Softball Coordinator 1982-1996, Big Oak Trail Ride Coordinator, Alabama Treasure Forest Association, Alabama Sports Hall of Fame Selection Committee, National Wild Turkey Federation, Alabama Cattlemen's Association, Salvation Army, Dekalb County, Tarcog, Tarpo. In 1981, he was voted Jaycee's Outstanding Young Businessman of the Year, 1983, 1985, 1986 voted Chamber of Commerce Key Person Award. Funeral services will be Sunday July 19, 2009 at 3:00 pm from the First Baptist Church, Fort Payne with Dr. Pat McFadden and John Croyle officiating. Burial with Masonic graveside rites will follow in Fischer Cemetery. He will lie in state at the church from 2:30 until time of service. The family will receive friends at

Wilson Funeral Home, Saturday from 4 until 8 PM. They request in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to the Big Oak Ranch or the American Cancer Society. (www.bigoak.org or Big Oak Ranch, Inc. P.O. Box 507 Springville, Al. 35146) (American Cancer Society 3000 Bob Wallace Ave. Huntsville, Al.) Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Susan Henshaw Craig. Son and daughter in law, Ross & Paige Craig, Huntsville and Ryne Craig, Fort Payne, Mother, Doris Craig, Fort Payne. Grandchildren, Linley, Mason & Taylor Craig. Sister, Sherry Craig, Tuscaloosa Pallbearers include the following, Ronnie Warren, Wes Neighbors, Terry Bailey, Tim Boone, Roger Lee, Mark Dawson, Earl Hodges and Ronnie Osbourn. Honorary Pallbearers include the Dekalb County Commission and employees and the Dekalb County Courthouse

Tribute Wall



“ *Brant Lane Craig*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Dearest Friends, Susan, Mrs. Craig, Sherry, Ross & Ryne, We are all so sadden by Brant's sudden passing. We've had such great times together. Our memories will be treasured forever. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. God Bless You!*

Joey, Phyllis, Matt, Chris & Kristin Couvillion - July 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *To All The Craig Family: Our deepest symapthy goes out to all of you. We have such great memories of Mr. Craig. You are all in our prayers.*

Chris & Matt Couvillion - July 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Susan and sons, Doris and Sherry, Please accept our heartfelt sympathy in the loss of Brant. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. With God's help and unfailing love, may you find peace and comfort is our prayer.*

Doris and Jimmy Hobbs - July 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Susan, My heart goes out to you and your family. We were out of town this weekend and were unable to attend the funeral. Please accept our sympathy. Brant was truly a man of God and was very proud of that. God Bless you all. Sharon Jones*

Sharon Jones - July 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Your family has lost a great husband, son, brother, and grandfather. Our community has lost a great friend, leader, and public servant. Brant was an example of what we all should be. He always was willing to help anyone at anytime. He will be sorely missed by not only his family, but by everyone that knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Jay Ham & Family - July 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Susan: I'm sorry to hear about your husband. May you find comfort from your memories and your friends & family.

Stanley Woodall - July 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Susan, Please accept my deepest sympathy. You & your family are in my prayers.

Marie Latham Noyes - July 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Ryne and Family, We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. May God send you comfort and peace at this time and hold you in His loving arms. With deep regrets and prayers, Laramy and Lacey Cummings

Lacey & Laramy Cummings - July 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Doris, Sherry, & Susan, We are so sorry about Brant's passing!!! We could not believe it!!! DeKalb County and Fort Payne has lost a wonderful person. We will really miss him. He always had a loving smile on his face. In this time of sorrow may God's love and grace surround all of you. Ann and Jim Houston

Jim and Ann Houston - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Susan and Doris, I can't begin to tell you how sorry I am and how much you and your family have been on my mind and in my prayers since I heard about Brant's death. Just like everyone else, I couldn't believe it. I will always have very fond memories of Brant and your family. I enjoyed the time I spent working with you and always appreciated how much your family loved each other. Michael, Jacob and I wish we could be there with you but are unable to be this week, but will be in touch with you soon. Please know our prayers are certainly with you all.

Ruth Ann Johnson - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ To all the family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. I was shocked to hear about Brandt as were many I am sure. He always had a smile and a warm word for everyone in addition to his drive for public service. He will be missed and I hope you can find comfort soon.

Bert Ledford - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ We love you and are praying for you.

DeKalb Young Republicans - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR OF BRANT S PASSING. HE WAS A FRIEND AND A GREAT BUSINESSMAN IN FORT PAYNE. SUSAN, MAY GOD BE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN THIS TIME OF GRIEF. MYRA COCHRAN POLITAKIS

myra cochran politakis - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ Dear Craigs: I am truly sorry to hear of your loss. I have nothing but good memories of Brant and will continue to keep you all in my prayers.

Weston Burt - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ So sorry for your loss. Will be keeping you all in our prayers. Let us know if we can help wi.th anything Love, Shaunathan & Abby Bell

Shaunathan & Abby Bell - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ My the Lord comfort you in this time of loss. Please let us know if there is anything we can help you with.

Larry and Wanda Boggs - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ May God wrap his everloving arms around you all during this time of loss and give you comfort as only he can give. Brant touched so many lives during his life, he will surely be missed by all. You are in our thoughts and prayers and please let us know if we can help in any way.

Johnnie & Patricia (McCurdy) Baldwin - July 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ DORIS AND FAMILY I EXTEND MY SYMPATHY I AM SO SORRY I DO KNOW HOW TO SYMPATHIZE BE CAUSE I HAVE BEEN THERE I CARE GRACE

GRACE POE - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Bryan, Amanda, Tyler, Tanner, and Anna Alexander - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Please let me know what I can do for you.

Sarah Chastain - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I work at the Council on Aging and I would like to tell you that I am sorry for your loss. I read a saying this week that goes like this: Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened. He was a great help to us and our programs. Heaven is a little sweeter now.

Glenda Crumley - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of great loss. Brant was in my first class that I started with in 1968 at Fort Payne High School. "Mr. B"

James/Teresa Burkhart - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Really caught off guard by this. Bob and I send love and hope for peace for your family. There are no words to make you feel better, but know that we care.

Bob and Cathy Howard - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Ross and Family , please accept our deepest sympathy .I lost my Dad at about the same stage in my life . Your Dad certainly seemed to be a man of many accomplishments. Probably most of all ,a loving , carrying man of great faith . I know you will miss him as I miss my Dad . Our thoughts and prayers are with you .Warm regards

Keith Sharp - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Robin and myself send our sympathy and prayers to the family. brant was a caring and giving man for the Fort Payne community and for Dekalb County. He will truely be missed and our prayers are with you.

Chad and Robin Roberts - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Ross and family, My deepest sympathy on the loss of your dad. In reading about him, he seemed to be very giving person and one who cared greatly about his family, friends and community. I hope you have many wonderful memories to keep him always near in your heart. In Sympathy, Sue

Sue Rogers - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ May God comfort you all and hold you even closer in this very shocking and difficult time. I am so sorry for your great loss. I know that Brant will be your guardian angel now and always watch over each of you. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Crystal Baldwin - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CI

“ To Susan, Ross, Ryne, Doris, and Sherry: I am deeply saddened by Brant's untimely death and your loss. I have nothing but fond memories of him. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. May God's steadfast love and grace be a comforting presence to all of you during this difficult time.

Chuck Isbell - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ We are so very sorry for the loss that you have suffered. We pray that the Lord will console you as only He can during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Larry & Faye Bone - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Susan, Doris and family, please accept my sincerest condolences. Brant was a friend and a very accomplished person. He will live in our hearts.

Jim McGee - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ Brant Craig was a really good guy i really liked him as a friend.

Logan - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Brant was a great person and a great commissioner. We became friends as commissioners and often shared ideas about county government. We had a lot in common, especially sports and horses. He will be truly missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

J.D.and Debbie Hess - July 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM