



Michael D. Stratton

November 28, 1960 - December 11, 2012

Michael "Mike" D. Stratton

Age 52 and a resident of Albany, Mike passed away on Tuesday, December 11, 2012. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church and an electrician with Bayou Steel Company in Laplace. Mike was a loving husband, father, brother and friend, whom will be missed dearly.

Mike leaves behind his loving wife, Scarlett Gatlin Stratton; two daughters, Krystal and Kelsey Stratton; brothers, Johnny Stratton and wife Vickie, Donnie Stratton and wife Rhonda, Tucker Stratton and wife Karen, Grady Stratton, Ben Stratton and wife Lurlene; sisters, Diane Roberts and husband Andy, Fran DePaula and husband Bobby, Carol Mashburn and husband Donnie, Dina Baxter and husband Joey. He is also survived by his father-in-law, Leche Gatlin, Sr.; mother-in-law, Yvette Stewart and Terry Phelps; sister-in-law, Charlotte Konczol and husband Larry; brother-in-law, Leche Gatlin, Jr., along with numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Preceding Mike in death were his parents, Donald and Lety Stratton; two great-nieces, Shayna Stratton and Leslie Baxter; Sister-in-Law, Kay Stratton

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond, on Friday,

December 14, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The visitation will resume on Saturday, December 15, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Joe Dunn will officiate the services, assisted by Rev. Mike Burns and Rev. L.C. Lord and interment will follow in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncares.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Scarlett our thought and prayers are with you and your family. Love Jon and Connie##imported-begin##Jon & Connie DiMiceli##imported-end##*

December 27, 2012 at 09:40 PM



“ *To the Stratton Family. Fran, my hurt hurts for you and your family. Many people say we shouldn't question God during time of distress and grief, but the Bible tells us God is not insulted when we want to know answers to questions that effect our lives and the lives of our family. There are many instances in the Bible of faithful ones, such as Moses, Exodus Chapter 4; Abraham, Genesis 18:23-33; Habakkuk, Habakkuk Chapters 1 and 2;even Christ Jesus,who questioned Almighty God. Jesus after being hung on a torture stake asked God, his Father, 'My God, why have you forsaken me?' Although his Father, Jehovah, had not forsaken him, the distres he experienced due to not wanting any reproach brought upon his Father's Name, made him ask such a question. We too may want to know the answers to such questions as why does God allow people to suffer? what happens at death? The answers to these questions and many others can be found in God's Word the Bible. I encourage you to seek comfort, peace and hope in God's Word. Using your Bible, you will also find comforting articles and answers to your questions at www.jw.org. God will remember your brother's fine qulaities and attributes. Jesus said at John 5:28, ..all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out.. May you find comfort in God's Word. Love, Loretta Severan##imported-begin##Lortta Severan##imported-end##*

December 17, 2012 at 02:14 PM



“ Dear Stratton Family,

Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God bless you all with and bring peace during your time of loss.

Sincerely,

Guy Recotta###imported-begin##Guy Recotta###imported-end##

December 17, 2012 at 10:35 AM



“ *Although I didn't know Mike or any family member but Fran I see his sweet spirit and know what a void all of you must surely feel. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Cherish your memories which I am sure are many. Special prayers for my longtime friends Fran & Bobby.###imported-begin##Glenda Sharkey###imported-end##*

December 14, 2012 at 04:20 PM



“ *Dear Scarlett & Family:
My heart breaks for all of you. Words seem so empty at this time. But my prayers & thoughts are with you, that God will bring you all the comfort that you need, for now & for the future. May God Bless You All! Linda Courtney###imported-begin##Linda Courtney###imported-end##*

December 14, 2012 at 01:55 PM



“ Scarlett, Krystal and Kelsey, I am so sorry for the hurt ya'll are going through right now. You are all in our hearts and in my prayers. I thank God for letting his light shine through Mike... Always smiling and mild manner... The pictures at Kelsey's homecoming night will forever be in my mind and heart.... The love for you three shined in his eye's and smile... Remember time, tears and talking... love ya'll Dana##imported-begin##Dana Stewart Kinchen##imported-end##

December 13, 2012 at 09:46 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Gordon and Eloise Anderson##imported-end##

December 13, 2012 at 03:59 PM



“ Sorry about your loss. May god be with you on you journey to healing. He and Mike will always be looking down on you and loving you all.##imported-begin##Kriss Patterson##imported-end##

December 13, 2012 at 03:55 PM



“ There are no words I can offer that will make this any easier, but hopefully just knowing that people care for Mike will allow you to lay some of the burdens on us. In you and your daughters, I see my family with 1 in college and 1 in high school. I will not take any future days for granted anymore. You see, Mike and I are the same age. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Blaine##imported-end##

December 13, 2012 at 02:00 PM



“ Deeply sorry for your lost Mike was a good man and I will miss him and the many conversations about his faith and love for God that helped me through some rough times##imported-begin##Jules##imported-end##

December 13, 2012 at 10:39 AM



“ Scarlett,I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your girls.

Love you,

Glenda##imported-begin##Glenda White##imported-end##

December 12, 2012 at 05:00 PM