



Jack Dear

October 29, 1950 - June 23, 2009

D E A R

Jack Dear was called home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 in San Antonio, Texas at the age of 58. His death came after a nine week struggle with complications in the aftermath of stomach cancer surgery. Jack was born in Mineral Wells, Texas on October 29, 1950 - a fourth generation Texan. He was baptized in the spring of 1961 at the Westmoreland Baptist Church in Lubbock. He graduated 1968 from McCallum High School in Austin and attended University of Texas at Austin. His career was centered around caring for people with mental retardation as an employee of the Austin State School and most recently the San Antonio State Hospital in the Competency Training and Development Department. Jack was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed mountain biking, camping, hiking and fishing and had the opportunity to explore many national and state parks and wildernesses throughout the country and most recently Washington State. He enjoyed his daily cup of black Starbucks coffee, watching Sci-Fi and perfecting the tropical garden which surrounded his 8, 000 gallon Koi pond. He is survived by his loving parents Jim and Lois Dear of Paducah, Texas; his best friend and beloved wife Vickie Dear of San Antonio; his son James Dear and his wife, Tracy of Round Rock, their four children; his daughter, Jennifer and her mother Cornell, both of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; two step-sons, Jason Hyatt of Abilene and his wife Randi and two children; Bobby Hyatt of Brownwood and

his wife Alesia and a plethora of family and friends. Jack's life touched the lives of thousands and his legacy will be celebrated for years to come. The memorial service for Jack will be held at 9:30 am Saturday, June 27, 2009 at The Concordia Lutheran Church, 16801 Huebner Road, San Antonio.

Tribute Wall

EC

“ Jack will always be a cherished friend. He made me a better person...and always taught me to remain the free spirit I was born to be. I will always be grateful for the guidance and kindness he bestowed upon me. His life was a blessing to me as well as his

Edith Ann Tankink Cantu - November 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Vickie,
I've been wanting to send you a card but didn't know what to say. The most important thing I want you to know is that I have been praying for you. Even though I haven't seen you in years, I felt I needed to let you know that. I guess that is b

Cindy Schraub Sczech - August 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Jack was a beautiful person. He gave so much of himself to others over the years he served as a trainer and coach at the Austin State School Orientation /Training department. Although Jack had many jobs during his time with the State Agency, he loved th

Mary Earls - July 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ Jack - It is all still so surreal to me as I wander through the house - waiting for you to come through the door. I am going to seriously miss you, my best friend and soul mate. I'll miss your smile, your tremendous thoughtfulness and awesome ability to

Vickie Dear - beloved wife - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I was shocked and saddened to hear of Jack's passing. He was such a nice person, and a great person to work with. I loved the way his eyes lit up and a big smile came across his face when he spoke of his wife and children. I am so sorry that we have lost

Kay Hendricks - July 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ May God be with all of the family during this time. If you need me, call. I didn't have the pleasure of meeting Jack, but Vicky if you loved him he had to be a wonderful person. Love Brenda

Brenda Moore - June 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ My Condolences to the family - I pray the Lord brings you comfort in this time of great sorrow.

Helen Garcia - June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I will never forget Mr. Dear, he was a real DEAR gentleman, who was always so patient with employees who had problems trying to learn those darn mandatory annual training sessions. He would stay with you until you got it. NEVER saw him in a bad mood, in

Mandy Pena - June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Well Cotton, here's James' wife. Bet you can't be such an Eeyore up there with all those dogs around you, and your mammaw. See you soon enough.

Tracy Dear - June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Although I only met you once, your lose had a great impact on me because you were a person I would have enjoyed getting to know just a little better. May you RIP!

Brenda Ramirez - June 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Jack~

Every year for the past 6 years I have looked forward to seeing you in my training classes. You made the difference in everything you did. You will be missed. I remember one year when your Daughter came in to visit you and the twinkle in your eye

Patricia Ramirez - June 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ SASS and SASH will never bee the same again with out you Jack. You will be missed I loved that everyday that you where teaching tthe traning class you had somehing UT on. Go Horns and God be with your family in this time of need.

rebekah - June 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Vicki you and all of Jack's family are in my prayers, this is a great loss, Jack was so funny he loved his bodybuilder wife, always showing your picture from his wallet, and you loved your husband often talking about him at training at the Center for Healt

Lillian Gibson - June 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Vickie, I was so sorry to hear of your loss. Words don't suffice when we lose our loved ones, but they are all I have except prayers. You and your family will be in my prayers and know that you are loved!
Katy Meador

Katy Meador - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Such a Legacy-but God knows best-Jack had lots of jokes/laughs/gentle instructions for his teaching which made learning so much easier-he's missed and thank God for him touching my life-Be Blessed and Strong in the Lord.

Dorothy Shannon - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ We were all sad to hear about the passing of Jack Dear, he was a good person. He will be greatly missed. Please accept my condolences. May God comfort you during this very difficult time.

Lola Faulkner, RN - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Always a cheerful smile,
Always a tender heart,
Always a willingness to help,
Always a joy.

Jack I will miss all the good you shared each time our paths crossed.

My thoughts and prayers to the family.

Pat Combs - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Jack, you will be greatly missed. I hope your family can take comfort in knowing that you touched so many lives through your work. I know you will continue to watch over your family and friends. Just know the world was a better place because of you.

JoAnne Smith, RN - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ My prayers will always be with you and your family at this hour. You are in God's hands now. I will never forget your outstanding teaching ethics at SASS.

Eugene D. Hines - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Outstanding instructor and human being. Always made me look and listen, due to his style of instruction. This world will greatly miss a teacher like you.

Go with God Jack, he will have your next set of students waiting.

Thomas P. Cole - June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM