



Leslie Don Taylor

August 18, 1950 - December 24, 2007

L.D. Taylor joined the heavenly angels on Christmas Eve after a long battle with ALS. He was born August 18, 1950 to George Taylor and Dawn Warren Taylor in San Antonio, Tx. He was a great son, husband, father, grandfather, uncle, brother and friend, and lived life to the fullest. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Helotes and served on the ACTS retreat with his fellow brothers. Don was inspirational in spreading the gospel. He graduated from John Marshall High School in 1968 and was in the band and Distributive Education. In 1970, Don married Patty Potter, his loving wife of 37 years. He was a policeman for over 30 years, starting in Live Oak and Balcones Heights, eventually becoming the Chief of Police in Grey Forest, TX. In 1982, Don started Taylor Made Hose with his dad helping it to become the successful business it is today. He served as PTA President, was a part of Project Graduation and Spirit Committee for his children's schools. He was one of the founding fathers of Ram Bozos. Don is preceded in death by his dad, George Taylor. He is survived by his wife, Patty; son, Jeff Taylor and wife Paige; daughter, Leslie Austin and husband Conner, all of San Antonio; his mother Dawn Taylor of Burnet, TX; brother Warren Taylor and wife Ruby of New Bern, NC; Potter Brothers: Tom and wife Janice, Gerald and wife Amy and Mark; sister Karen Pierce; his legacy grandson, Dalton James Taylor and his grand dogs, Hana and Cocoa. He was a beloved uncle and great uncle to many nieces and nephews. His memory remains forever in the hearts of many friends and his family. The Taylor family would like to thank the ALS

Association and Christus Santa Rosa Hospice for their compassionate support. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to ALSA, 8600 Wurzbach Road #700, San Antonio, TX. 78240, 210733-5204.

SERVICES

Visitation will be held Thursday, December 27, 2007 from 5PM to 7PM with a rosary to be recited at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Helotes at 7:00 PM. A funeral mass will be held Friday, December 28, 2007 at 10AM at the church. Interment will follow at Resurrection Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

AD

“ *To the Taylor Family:*

I just heard about Mr. Taylor's passing, through a family friend of yours. I'm deeply sorry for your loss and my condolences go out to each of you. I lived across the street from the Taylor's for a short time when I was in hig

Andrea Bruno Darwin - February 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ *Patty and Family,*

I am so sorry for your loss. Don was a mentor for me in so many ways. He was the man that gave me a shot at becoming a police officer when everyone else would not. Don was always smiling, had a joke to tell and was a great teacher a

Clayton Knight - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *You were blessed with such a wonderful man.*

Marvin & Becky burns - January 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *Patty and Family...We were saddened to hear the news of Don's passing. We will always remember the wonderful coach and person he was when we were with the Rebounders basketball team and through the years after when we enjoyed his company. Our thoughts and*

Pat & George Wallis - December 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Dear Patty & Family,
As with anyone who knew Don, I was terribly saddened to hear of his passing. May you find solace in knowing he is now with the Lord, and comfort in the wonderful memories that will forever live on in your hearts.

With sympathy,

Pinky Rudolph - December 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss.

It seems like only yesterday when I was running next door to visit the "Potters". It is hard to believe you were married 37 years. I still think of you as a little girl.

Barbara Bunton Jones - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ My deepest condolences go out to you Leslie, Patty and Jeff. Take care and keep your head up.

Matt Burns - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ Dearest Taylor Family,

My sincerest condolences for your great loss of such a wonderful sole. Don and his father was my first employer after graduating highschool in 1983. After being hired, Don surprised my father, Benny Sales, by telling him he ha

Violet Sales - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Don was a great man. I have so many happy memories with your family! I will pray for peace for each of you.

Margaret Dolsen - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Dear Taylor Family,
Thank you for allowing me to spend that final night with one of my best friends. I will never forget you or him. You know how to contact me so please do so if need be. - Keith

Keith Spears, M.D. - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Patty and Taylor family:

We were very sorry to hear that Don died. He was a great man and we know that you will miss him very much. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

With deepest sympathy,

The Nash Family

Dub Nash and Family - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Dear Patty and Family,
Please accept our condolences. Our entire family is saddened by the news of Don's passing. He was such a good and uplifting person that I know he must of had a positive impact on all who had the pleasure of meeting him, let alone,

Leisa & Leno Arias - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Joann and I send our prayers to you and your family. We rejoice that Don is with George and his Heavenly father.

Craig & Joann Duncan - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Don was not a brother in law, he was my brother. He was always there for me and inspired me to be a better person and a better Catholic. He will be missed but not forgotten

Gerald Potter - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ We will never forget Don and his great upbeat personality. He is an inspiration to us all. Our prayers are with Don, Patty and the family. God bless.

Scott & Angie Burford - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ the priesand family extends our deepest sympathy.

priesand family - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KO

“ Leslie & Taylor Family-

I have so many amazing memories of your dad that I will never forget. They all bring a huge smile to my face. He really was my 2nd dad and I am so thankful for the time I got to spend with him and the memories that I will have f

Kristen Olfers - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ All my condolences to you Jeff and the entire family.
Love
Chuck & Cynthia Turknett

Chuck Turknett - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Mr. Taylor was the most gracious and infectiously funny man I have ever met. Heaven is gaining a wonderful spirited angel. Many prayers are with his family. God Bless.

Misty Ochs - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Thinking of you with loving thoughts and prayers.
Mitchell & Jane Stephens

Mitchell Stephens - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Unfortunately I did not have the opportunity to know Don as well as I would have liked. Most of what I knew of Don was learned from his brother Warren and sister in law Ruby. I always heard very positive things such as what a good brother, and family man

Margie Lugue - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ To all family members and friends you have my condolences for your lost. In 2003, I joined the Helotes PD, and I believe it was during one of our coffee breaks when I first had the pleasure of meeting a great man. You will be missed. Sincerely, M.Cerver

Monica Cervera - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *The entire Taylor family is in our hearts and prayers.*

Bobby&Hilda Stevens - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *What a blessing to be counted as a friend of Don Taylor! Rich & I have the most wonderful memories of sandlot baseball games on Sundays at Tom & Janice Potter's. They would have had that house built in 6 months if we had worked as hard on the house on Sun*

Linda Persyn - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of your husband, father, grandfather, and friend to so many. Don was such an amazing man and we will never forget the way he welcomed us into your family. We will certainly miss him. We love you all dearly and you're in our*

Jason and Alli Stephens - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ *Patty, Jeff, Paige, Leslie, Conner, & Dalton. Pat & I are so sorry that Don has passed on. Such a great guy he was as a husband, father, in-law & grandpa. And, such a great friend. We will always remember him a jovial good guy! Our blessings are with*

dick oberpriller - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ *Patty,*

I have never met anyone that had a bigger heart than Don. He truly cared.

I am also very grateful that we had one last Taylor Made Hose Christmas party together just a couple of weeks ago. His sense of humor always brightened up a room!

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Vickie Dickerson - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Dearest Patty, Jeff, Paige, Leslie, Conner, Dalton and families*

I am so much of a better person for having known Don. We shared many special communications via email about his love for all of you.

I know he is so proud of each of you. Your family is

Straders - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Patty and Kids,*

You already know Don was one in a million. You already know that you were the apple of his eye and he would always say wonderful things about his family. He made me laugh everytime I spoke with him especially thru the good old danceteam

Cindy Carlton - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *We extend our deepest sympathy to the entire family.*

John & Ellen Simon - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Goodnight, my sweet Don, I will love you "always"
Mom - Dawn

Dawn Taylor - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Patty & Family,

May Don rest in peace. I am so sorry for your loss. I know he will be missed terribly.

Jan

Janet Taylor Shadwick - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ We'll miss him. He was a wonderful, caring, and loving person.

Edwin & Irene Scharf - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Taylor Family,
Mr. Taylor was such an inspirational individual. I admire his grace, strength and humor. We are so sad but know that heaven has become a better place with him there. We admire your entire family and will truly keep you in our thoughts and

Kristi Seitz - December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *My father from another is now gone to his heavenly father, where he finds his peace. May your wings set you free, may you run, speak and sing all the many things that you wanted while on this earth and may you always watch over us from above.*

God Bless

Conner and Leslie Austin - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *I never got the chance to know Don very well, but as with his father, I thought of him as someone I'd like to be like -- smart, confident, caring, loving, and loved. Someone to look up to -- maybe hero isn't the right word, but I can't think of a better*

Chris Stevens - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *As cousin Carolyn said so well... we will miss your wonderful sense of humor, remembering our childhood times together as well as some of the best laughs in the family. You are forever in our memory.*

*Love,
Kay*

Kay Raley - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *DON WAS A GREAT VENDOR, BUT MORE THAN THAT HE WAS A GREAT FRIEND. I WILL MISS HIM AND THE GOOD TIMES WE SHARED.*

STAN WILLEFORD - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Leslie Don Taylor*

STAN WILLEFORD - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *We are so going to miss your sense of humor and your never ending determination. When times were toughest, you were always there. Now you will watch over all of us from above.*

Carolyn & Larry Goodwin - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Dear Patty, Jeff, Paige and family,
I just wanted you to know that you are in my thoughts and in my prayers. May the beautiful memories you have of your loved one sustain you during this time of great sorrow.*

*Love,
Colleen*

Colleen Ekwurzel - December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM