



Nathan Charles Blankenship

December 23, 1990 - April 27, 2017

Nathan C. Blankenship, 26, of Austin, was born in Houston on December 23, 1990. He was raised in San Antonio and graduated from Sandra Day O'Connor High School in 2009. He worked as a chef in Austin at Parkside, constantly inventing new culinary creations to add to the restaurant's menu and with the ultimate dream of opening a restaurant of his own.

Nathan was one of two children born to Steve and Cindy Blankenship. Nathan will be forever remembered by his devoted brother Clay, sister-in-law Brooke, niece and nephews Carter, Caleb, and Braxton, grandparents Ninfa Loya and the late Gustavo Villarreal, Sr., and Chuck and the late Karlene Blankenship, along with countless other friends and family who were blessed to know him.

Nathan loved listening to and creating music, drawing, laughing, being with his family, enjoying the outdoors with friends, and cooking for all at any occasion!

Nathan touched the lives of many people with his free spirit and caring soul, never failing to brighten the room with his smile and generosity. Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 10am at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. 3401 Cherry Ridge Dr. San Antonio, TX 78230.

On his final day, Nathan expressed a desire to go to downtown Austin and

give his clothing items to the homeless; so, in lieu of flowers, the family will be collecting items to donate to the Front Steps Homeless Shelter in honor of Nathan's envisioned act of selflessness and bigheartedness. If you would like to contribute, there will be a designated area for donations at the service. Here is a list of possible donations according to the Front Steps Donation Guide:

- Toiletries and hygiene products
- New blankets
- New or gently used clean socks
- New undergarments
- Cold weather accessories
- Gift cards for HEB, Target, etc.

Financial and other contributions can either be brought to the service or sent in honor of Nathan to Front Steps, Attn: Kay Klotz, PO Box 684519, Austin, TX 78768-4519.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Tribute Wall

BY

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss Steve and Cindy. Nathan was so sweet with a beautiful smile. I think about you guys often and was so sad to hear the terrible news. Thinking and praying for your family. Love you all. - Bonnie Cuellar Young

Bonnie Young - May 09, 2017 at 11:35 AM

HH

“ We are so sorry for your loss
Jim and Harriett Hitchcock



Harriett Hitchcock - May 06, 2017 at 08:51 AM

BE

“ I love Cindy and Steve dearly and when I met Nathan I knew I had met an energetic, positive and giving person. Only hope to celebrate his life today and learn from him.

Belinda

belinda - May 06, 2017 at 08:30 AM

MH

“ Maria A. Hottensen lit a candle in memory of
Nathan Charles Blankenship



Maria A. Hottensen - May 05, 2017 at 07:48 PM

CJ

“ Cathy Jones lit a candle in memory of Nathan Charles Blankenship



Cathy Jones - May 05, 2017 at 10:24 AM

ME

“ I so saddened by this news. Nathan and I were neighbors for several years, our parents became to be best friends. When I tore my ACL three years ago, Nathan would always come over or text me to keep me company and anything I needed. We even talked a few weeks ago.. I will never forget Nathan and his passion for nature and food. He had such a beautiful spirit. Beautiful soul. May you Rest In Peace. You were taken from us way too soon. My heart goes out to Steve to Cindy. I love ya so much. Xoxo, Mari Espinoza.



mari espinoza - May 04, 2017 at 09:15 PM



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Clay Blankenship - May 04, 2017 at 05:18 PM



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Clay Blankenship - May 04, 2017 at 05:14 PM

CS

“ Nathan. RIP. You were definitely taken so soon. Who knew what God's divine plan was for you. I was really looking forward to meeting you & getting to know you. I know you have touched many lives especially my grandson, Aaron Collier. My heartfelt condolences to his family & friends.



Cathy Staloch - May 03, 2017 at 05:53 PM

AL

“ Even though we haven't been close know that you are always loved and thought of daily. My heart breaks for you all. My love and prayers always.

Aunt Lori - May 02, 2017 at 03:38 PM

VG

“ Nathan...R.I.P. Amen. My Heartfelt Condolences & Sincere Sympathies to his family & friends...

val Gomez - May 02, 2017 at 03:32 PM

MF

“ One of the most brilliant stars among us has fallen to heaven. We are blessed to have known him and to have been loved by him. Nathan you will live forever in our hearts.

Machel Forrester - May 02, 2017 at 07:46 AM

SF

“ Steve, Cindy & family. We love you all. You're in our prayers. May the Lord hold and comfort you. Cast ALL your cares upon Him for he careth for you.... 😭 I didn't get to see Nathan alot but each time I did he had such a friendly easy going nature. A loving person.

Steve & Kathleen & Family - May 01, 2017 at 08:28 PM

LW

“ Although I did not know Nathan personally, I have known his grandmother (Ninfa) for many years. She loves and cherishes her children and grandchildren. My condolences to the Blankenship and Villarreal families. Life is short, some shorter than others. By God's grace and blessings we as Christians are comforted in knowing we'll meet again another day in a much better place. Peace be with all who loved Nathan.



Laura Wilson - May 01, 2017 at 02:38 PM

SF

“ Though geographically unable to see you all often, you know we love you all and feel like you all are our family too. Though hearts are grieving now - we'll always remember that big smile and happy nature God gave him. We're reminded of 1 Corinthians 15: 54-56. Death tried but really has NO victory in this.... because of the resurrection & the fact God judges the INNER man, that smile is most likely surrounded by & listening to the BEST music ANYONE has ever heard.... We love you all SO very much and also ache for you ... You'll see that smile... again and brighter than ever. May the Lord God hold and comfort you all. Steve, Kathleen, and Jessica & Jared & Stephanie (&Remy)

Steve & Kathleen & Family - May 01, 2017 at 01:58 PM

EZ

“ ESTELA ZAVALA lit a candle in memory of Nathan Charles Blankenship



ESTELA ZAVALA - May 01, 2017 at 01:23 PM

JS

“ NATE, WE LOST YOU TOO SOON MAN. YOUR MEMORY WILL LIVE ON THROUGH YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY. I WISH I COULD HAVE SAID MY GOODBYES. LIFE IS TOO SHORT. I HOPE YOU CAN REST PEACEFULLY NOW BROTHER.

JON SKOW-CANALES - May 01, 2017 at 12:44 PM

UD

“ I always smiled watching how excited he was when he was in the kitchen with his Mom helping her cook any way he could. Pulling a stool over so he could reach the counter top.

Uncle Dave - April 30, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ Debbie Corn lit a candle in memory of Nathan Charles Blankenship



Debbie Corn - April 29, 2017 at 10:48 PM