



Austin McClain

December 1, 1951 - November 19, 2009

A memorial service will be held for Austin "Dwayne" McClain, 57, of Roswell at 1: 00 pm Sunday, November 22, 2009 at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Albert Castro officiating.

Austin "Dwayne" McClain passed on to be with our Lord November 19, 2009 at the age of 58. Dwayne was born December 1, 1951 in Roswell, NM to Austin Avis McClain and Marie Agnes Pack McClain, both of whom preceded him in death. Dwayne was also preceded in death by his sister, Karen Fay McClain and a great nephew, Sgt. Christopher Sanders. Dwayne was a proud and loving father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He surrounded himself with friends and family, always with a smile, and always with the boyish laugh that made everyone laugh with him. Dwayne, always youthful at heart, was a jack of many trades, drummer in a local band, race car driver, handyman, and much more, but mostly he was "Grandpa Cowboy."

Dwayne is survived by his three loving daughters, Shawna Krueger and her husband, Jeff, granddaughters Riley and Reese of Lubbock; Holly Picard and her partner Jeff, granddaughters, Nylah and Brooke, of Ohio; Tonya Rennels and her husband, David , granddaughter, Jordan of Lubbock; three sisters, Shirley Weldon and her husband, J.W. of Roswell; Verna King and her husband, Ron of El Paso; Nona Stroshine of Roswell; two brothers, Charles McClain and his wife, Vicki of Dexter and Jeffrey McClain of Roswell; nieces and nephews, Kelly and Marie Sanders, Mike and Cindy Sanders, Marte and Chad Reavis, Carol and Fred Macleod, Debbie and Ed Buss, Barbra and Bob

Noland, Richard Bogs, Katherine Smith, Larry Davis, Bill Bohanon, Jr. and Diane, Natalie and Bill Steele, Robbie Bohanon, Kimberly and Daniel Graves, Pamela McClain, Melissa and Javier Marquez and Jason McClain as well as numerous great nieces, great nephews and cousins. Dwayne truly loved his lifelong friends, Del and Leticia Carmona, Adam Solis and Alex Thompson. Dwayne was very thankful to the hardworking and loving caregivers from VistaCare Hospice Patsy, Alice, Anita and so many others.

Please share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall

AP

“What can I say? I will cherish all the memories I have of my dear friend. Up to the last minute he had a cheerful heart. Now, he's up in heaven with the Angels bringing them Cheer! No more parties, football, chili beans and dancing in the den. So long my friend.

Alice Palma - November 24, 2009 at 12:58 PM

LM

“Well, it looks as though the heavens are gathering all the musicians they can to have a big band sound. Lets see, First Ward, Moises, Izzy, Stevie, JC, Leonard, Chris, Rene and now Dwayne. May they all be having a good time making music together. May God bless your family during this difficult time

Lupe Morales - November 23, 2009 at 10:28 AM

MG

“Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mike and Cathy Gallagher - November 21, 2009 at 09:05 PM

LC

“I have fond memories of Dwayne from way back. We played in a band with other good friends. I knew his family and Susan's family. I watched over time as his family grew. I had the honor of being one of Shawna's instructors early in her college career. I am so sorry that I did not make the time in my busy schedule to see him before his passing. His family has my deepest sympathies. May "chipmunk", my friend, find peace everlasting.

Lloyd Chaves - November 21, 2009 at 08:51 PM

TF

“ To the McClain family:

May you find comfort in knowing that your loved one touched the lives of so many others and it will be the little things you remember, the quiet moments, the smiles and the laughter.... the camping trips to Ruidoso, the late night exchange of ideas on whatever happened to 'Billy the Kid,' the Friday and Saturday night parties at Dwayne's house, the Sunday Super Bowl games with Richard's menudo.....the gift of many happy memories. And although it may seem hard right now, it will be the memories of these little things that help push away the pain and bring the smiles back again. Our dear mother was very fond of Dwayne, and we like to think that she greeted him in heaven with a cup of her famous coffee. Someone once said that when someone you love dies," you just get through it, you do not get by it because you can't get around it. It does not get better, it just gets different. Everyday...grief puts on a new face." We are keeping you all in our prayers and trusting that God will bring you comfort in the days ahead.

The Green & Peralta family - November 21, 2009 at 08:45 PM

KJ

“ *I have nothing but fond memories of Dwayne.From just driving around and visiting with family,going camping and taking the horses,even when we already knew we would have trailer trouble,or vehicle trouble,before we ever left.It didnt matter where we were,we could always have a fun time.All the family closeness and the friends we knew and hung out with through those years I spent with Dwayne, Ill cherish forever,and the memories will live on!Take that final ride Dwayne,and save us a good camping spot!!!*

Kim Jordan - November 21, 2009 at 01:36 PM

CH

“ To all the Family, My heart aches today for the loss of one of the best friends that I have ever had. Dwayne and I were more brothers than best friends, I am so glad I got to see him one more time before he went on to our Savior, I love you my friend and get those drums tuned up so we can get our band going for Jesus. God Bless and comfort your family in this time of sorrow. Charlie Herron

Charlie Herron - November 21, 2009 at 10:07 AM