



Robert Lee Chapman

September 4, 1990 - October 7, 2012

Robert Lee Chapman III, age 22, of Bloomington passed away early Sunday October 7, 2012 from injuries he sustained in an automobile accident. He was born to Robert Lee Chapman Jr and Barbara Marie Briggs Chapman in Bloomington on September 4th, 1990. Rob went to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School and was a 2009 Graduate of Bloomington High School North where he was the Captain of the football team his Senior Year. He had worked for Weiller & Bailey construction, Renaissance Rentals, and lastly as a member of the Bloomington Township Fire Department. Rob also worked constantly on his own doing various odd jobs for countless people. He was a member of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Best Buddies at Bloomington High School North, and was a constant presence from early childhood with the Bloomington Fire Department "Shop with a Firefighter" Program each Christmas.

Rob leaves behind his mother Barbara Marie and father Robert Lee Chapman Jr of Bloomington; his brother Cole Patrick Chapman of Bloomington; grandfather Robert Lee Chapman Sr. of Berlin, Maryland; grandfather Donald R. Briggs of Auburn, Indiana; grandmother Constance J. Luttinen of Spencer, Indiana, as well as several aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandmother Helene Briggs.

He will always be known for his Big Heart. He gave out countless

hugs and smiles to everyone. He was unafraid to kiss or hug his family in front of others. The biggest gift that he gave of himself was being an Organ Donor, he will be able to help over 50 people with his donation.

As Parents, we could not ask for a kinder son. He loved us and his brother Cole with all his heart. He was intent on making this world a better place. We will miss him more than the air we breathe. Hold your children closer and hug them more often for us.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday October 12, 2012 at 11:30am at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church. Fr. William Stumpf will preside. Visitation for Rob will be held Thursday October 12, 2012 from 3:00pm until 8:00pm at Allen Funeral Home, 4155 South Old Highway 37. Memorial Contributions may be made in Rob's Memory to the "Shop With a Firefighter" Fund, Checks may be made to IAFF Local 586, PO Box 474, Bloomington, IN 47401. There will also be a Fire Science Scholarship Fund set up in Rob Chapman's name through Ivy Tech. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

PW

“ Lee & Barbara, I never met your son and only spoke with you over the phone. As the mother of two sons and a daughter and the grandmother of three, I can't imagine your loss. Angela Chambers called me today. I hope your faith helps you both. Regards, Patricia

Patricia Harding Walker - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

CA

“ I had only met your son one time, but the night I did I was dealing with some rough stuff, the advice he gave me and what he said really helped 'wake me up'. I will never forget that. He was a great guy, no doubt and is very missed.

Carson Dunkley - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

VC

“ Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Your family frequently played at our golf course and we are just stunned to hear about Rob's accident. Rob was a very sweet, kind individual and it was always a pleasure to talk with him and each of you every time you visited. We hold you in our prayers. Vince and Chris Taylor

Vince and Chris Taylor - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JB

“ Barbie and family, My heart goes out to all of you. My thoughts and prayers are sent your way daily.... Your family loves you very much and we are here for you. Sorry we missed the funeral, I so wanted to be there to give you a big hug and kiss from all of us!! Love, Jen, Scott and the girls

Jen Burkhardt - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

SE

“ Lee, Emily and I couldn't be sorrier to hear about your loss. Your son sounds truly heroic, and I know this world is a better place having had him in it. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Please let us know if there's anything we can do.

Scott & Emily Shackelford - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

BE

“ Lee, Barb and Cole
This is just so out of the order life should be. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you navigate this incomprehensible loss.

Much Love
Beverly Beinlich

Beverly Beinlich - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

MA

“ Barb and family,
You have been often in my prayers ever since I heard of your tragic loss. After reading both the front-page article and the obituary about Rob, I got a sense of what a wonderful, selfless young man he was and what sweet memories you all must have of him.

I am so sorry that I wasn't able to come to the visitation or funeral, but I wanted you to know that you have been and will continue to be in my prayers.

Love and prayers,
Marsha

Marsha Turner-Shear - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JU

“ I know we have seen each other at events at Bloomington HS North, especially football games. Our daughter, Addie, graduated the same year as Rob and our son, Evan, played football with Rob. Evan wanted to come and visit with your family and give his condolences, but football would not allow. He thought Rob was a wonderful person and enjoyed his time on the field with Rob. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May God bless you!

Julie Crouch - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

LS

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your son Robbie. We will pray for you and your family as you go through this tremendous loss. May God give you strength.

Lisa & Rick Murphy (Randy Arthur's Sister) - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

SP

“ What a true friend Rob was to our son Jeffery. The Best Buddies program was such a blessing for Jeffery. Rob meant so much to him & has influenced his life in so many ways. He was so happy when Cole & Sam wanted to follow Rob as his next Best Buddies after Rob graduated. We are still overwhelmed by such an outpouring of love last night at Rob's Visitation. Your son truly touched so many lives. May the Good Lord comfort all of you during this difficult time...

Scott & Fritzi Phillips - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

MR

“ We are so very sorry. Rob was a sweet boy with an incredible smile and a wonderful, kind nature. We understand your pain and know the depths of love and loss you are feeling at this time and hold you in our hearts. Love, Mary and Rick

Mary & Rick McMullen - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

CU

“ Dear Barb and family,
I want to express to you my most heartfelt sympathy at the loss of your son, Rob. May the thoughts and prayers of all those who love you help sustain you at this difficult time.
Love, Cheryl

Cheryl (Fosnaugh) Uffelman - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

DU

“ Lee and Barb, B.J. and I were totally devastated when we heard about Rob. We can't even imagine what you are going thru right now. Our thought and prayers are with you in this sad, sad time...We love you guys, Duane and B.J.

Duane Shutt - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JE

“ I am very sad to hear about what happened to Rob. I used to see him when he worked at Campus Corner Apts, and I drive a BT bus. He was always working very hard, and usually by himself.....he would hire someone to help from time to time, but seemed to do better on his own.

Such a great honest, hardworking guy!. It was obvious that he came from a very good family, with great parents!.

He helped anyone with anything they needed. Ive seen him change tires for Students, jump start cars and etc. I wish there were more people like Rob in this world!.

Jeff Bailey - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

NE

“ Dear Chapman family. Uncle Norman and I were so sorry to hear of your sons accident. Our prayers are with you and all of your family. Love Uncle Norman and Aunt Elaine

Norman and Elaine Henry - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JU

“ To The Family,
I'm so sorry for your great loss! May God give you strength and comfort at this time. And may the beautiful memories you have of Robert always fill your heart with love. You are so blessed to have had him in your lives.
I did not know him personally, but everything I have heard about him has been wonderful.
May Gods blessings be upon you all, and may you have peace.
Judy Klages

Judy Klages - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

BR

“ Barbara and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. I cannot imagine what you are going through. You and your family are in my prayers. God be with you all during this difficult time.

Brenda Hanners - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

MA

“ Dear Barb and Lee: Jeff and I cannot express the sadness we feel for you and your family for the sudden loss of Robbie. He was a beautiful person with a big heart. Although we cannot be in Bloomington for the service, we will be there in spirit.
All our love, Jeff and Margaret

Margaret Colaianni - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

DS

“ Barb, Lee and Cole
I am just heart broken for the loss of Robbie. I can not express the sadness I am feeling for all of you. My constant prayers are with you at the very difficult time. May God hold you in the palm of his hand and guide you through this most difficult time.

Diane Stephenson - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

GB

“ Dear Lee, Barb and Cole, please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

George & Betty Schermer - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

RU

“ Lee and family, I am so sorry for your loss. God be with you at this time of sorrow.

Rusty Nunn - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

GD

“ Dear Lee and family,
You are in our thoughts and hearts. We remember Rob as such a hard worker when he came to our house--he did a perfect job. What a beautiful young man. Our deepest condolences, Gabriele, James & Daniel Damico

Gabriele, James & Daniel Damico - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

AN

“ My heart just aches for you. Praying God holds you all close.

Angie Chalfant - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JJ

“ Love and prayers to you and your whole family. We will help continue Robbie's legacy.

Cousin John and Andrea

John and Andrea Henry Jr - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

VF

“ Dear Barb, Lee, and Cole,

When I saw Robbie two weeks ago, his huge smile just warmed my heart. I was so glad that I did get to see him that day.

I can only imagine what you all are going through right now. We miss you so much and wish we were there. Your family is so very dear to us. We pray for comfort and peace for each of you and your family.

We love you, The Valentin Family

Valentin Family - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

SU

“ Dear Barb, Lee & Cole,

Our hearts go out to you. I cannot imagine your pain. We are all here for you whatever you need! We love you and are praying for you! You raised a wonderful son. Be proud of the legacy he created, of the man he was. God Bless all of you!

*You loving cousin,
Susan, Eric & Lillian Heffley*

Susan Heffley - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

LM

“ *Our deepest condolences. We are so heartbroken at the loss of your dear beautiful son. May God hold you in the palm of his hand during this time. God bless you all. - Lisa, Mark, Mark Jr. and Mike Sassman*

Lisa and Mark Sassman - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

ML

“ *Lee and Barb:
Your entire family is in our thoughts and prayers. I know there are no words to ease your pain. Parents should never out live their children.
Please know we are here if you ever need an ear.
Sending our love and prayers.*

Mike and Lolly Maloney

Mike and Lolly Maloney - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

CA

“ Dear Barb, Lee, and Cole;

Alane and I are so sorry. Rob sounds like he was a great kid and well on his way to becoming a solid man.

We are thinking of you.

Love, The Morris Family

Chip and Alane Morris - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

BK

“ Dear Lee, Barb and Cole, We are very sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Brian & Jennifer Krebs - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

LE

“ Barb,
My heart goes out to you, Lee, and Cole. I can't imagine what you are going through. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. You always astound me with your strength and spirit.
Love, Lesley

Lesley Retherford - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

WA

“ Dear Barb,

What a difficult trial. I'm praying the Lord will give you and your family strength and faith to endure.

Wayne Huck - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

AD

“ *Dear Barb, Lee & Cole - We are so sorry for your loss. One can never imagine the pain your family is going through right now. We will be praying for comfort for your family in the coming days and weeks.*

*Lots of love & hugs,
Amber & David*

Amber & David Griffin - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM