



Clay Tatum

May 12, 1982 - February 8, 2021

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Clay Tatum, 38, passed away on Monday, February 8, 2021 in Abbeville, MS. A visitation will be held Tuesday, March 2, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with a service to follow at 2:00 p.m. all at Coleman Funeral Home.

Bro. Randy Bain will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Clay was born in Oxford, MS, to Larry and Teresa Tatum on May 12, 1982. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Abbeville, MS.

While working with his dad in the family business, Oxford Heating and Cooling, Clay got his license and certification. After his dad passed away, he opened Oxford Air and Heat. A few years later, he realized his love was construction even more. From that day on until his death, that's the work he did. His construction boss once commented that Clay could cut a board to fit even better than he could. He was a hard worker and sought perfection in his work. He enjoyed building things and received the Civil Engineer Award at Northwest Community College. Clay was an inventor and an artist with one of his works on display in Abbeville, MS. He was also a writer, and one of his short stories published.

Clay's family remembers him as a jokester who was always playing tricks on them. He loved his family very much, especially his mom. Clay wanted to make people happy, and he was always helping people in need. He was a very generous person who wanted to be loved.

Clay enjoyed collecting rocks, antiques, watches, and coins, and he also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Clay is survived by his mother, Teresa (Richard) Davis; his sister, Brooke; his fiancée, Danielle Evans; and his stepsisters, Ashley (Jamie) Berryhill and Molly (Brian) Williams.

He was preceded in death by his father, Larry Tatum; and his grandparents, Wayne and Doris Frazier, and Ira and Evelyn Tatum.

In an effort to honor Clay's life in a way that makes a lasting impression and difference, his family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made either to the Pregnancy Center of Oxford/Sav-A-Life of Lafayette County (P.O. Box 1193, Oxford, MS. 38655) or to Living Branches of Christ (P.O. Box 2156, Southaven, MS. 38671). Clay's family hopes to dedicate their lives to bringing attention and education to the devastating effects of mental illness; its contribution to addiction; and justice reform to provide placement and help for those in need.

Please leave online condolences on the Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 2. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Service

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Webcast in memory of Clay Tatum



Coleman Funeral Home - March 01, 2021 at 06:37 PM



My heart is breaking for you, Teresa, and Brooke. May your beautiful memories of your baby boy sustain you and may God grant you peace, comfort and assurance Clay is in His loving arms. What a beautiful, touching video tribute. Love you with all our hearts!

Susan Thomas - March 02, 2021 at 02:22 PM

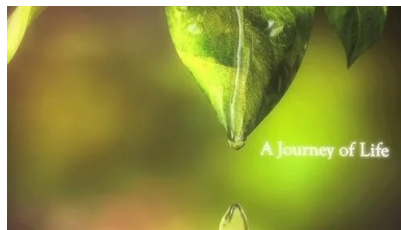
DW

What a beautiful service and Clay was and is a beautiful person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and Brooke also Ricky. We love all of you. Bev what a beautiful song and voice.

Debbie Wilson - March 02, 2021 at 05:18 PM



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Clay Tatum



Coleman Funeral Home - March 01, 2021 at 03:46 PM

DE

He was the best man I have ever loved. He helped me grow closer to God and inspired me in ways that I am forever grateful. I love you for ever and ever and ever, your baby Danielle Evans

Danielle Evans - March 01, 2021 at 07:13 PM



Beautiful service, praying and sending love.

Lou Ann Hood - March 02, 2021 at 04:03 PM

PM

There will be a day that I will see you again. I can't wait to give you a big hug along with the rest of my family that I've missed. I love you.

Pam Tatum Morgan - March 03, 2021 at 09:03 PM

HI

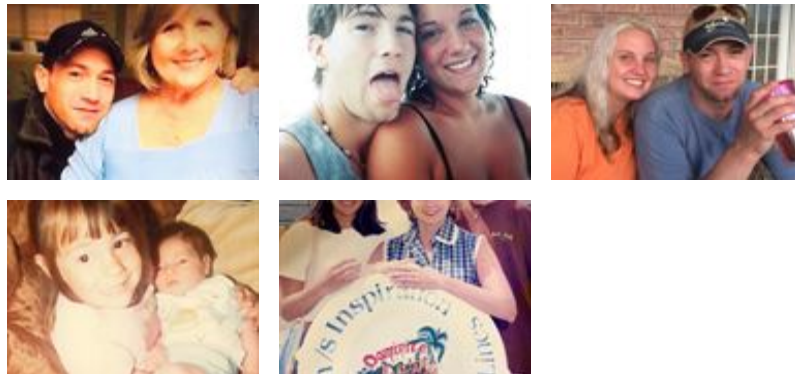
“ *Clay was an awesome man, with a huge heart (especially if he considered you family) He adored his Mother and Sister. R.I.H 🙏*



Hillary - March 02, 2021 at 12:40 PM



“ *110 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home - March 01, 2021 at 01:04 PM

BJ

“ Teresa, my heart aches for you. Sometimes you just can't breathe! God gives us strength during those times when we need it most. Henry and I are wrapping our arms around you with love.
Henry and Betty Jenkins

Betty Jenkins - February 20, 2021 at 04:27 PM

KR

“ Dear darling Clay:
Great peace comes as I know the moment you stepped out of your body, the battle was over.....you stepped into the Presence of Peace, the Prince of Peace and the not-fully-known fathomless God who stands on the porch waiting for us to come "home". Sweet boy, even in knowing how much so many will miss your presence, we die, but we don't die; thus, you live, and we know it, and you live painlessly and peacefully. And when our "battles" are over, we WILL see you again. You are so loved, Miss Kitty

Kitty Raney - February 18, 2021 at 06:28 PM

CS

“ Teresa, I'm so sorry to hear of your son's passing. He sounds like a fine young man, with tremendous love for you and family. I'll be thinking about you and family, and praying for you.
Sincerely,

Chim Stogner

Chim Stogner - February 18, 2021 at 03:16 PM

JY

“ *Theresa, my heart breaks for you. We lost our son a year ago and know the heartache of losing a child. If you want to talk, please feel free to call. Whatever, know you are in our prayers. Sincerely, Judy Young*

Judy young - February 17, 2021 at 07:00 PM