



David Hall

November 19, 1958 - March 8, 2011

David Henry Hall of Buda, Texas, passed away unexpectedly on March 8, 2011. He was born in Houston, Texas, on November 19, 1958 to Helen and Philip Hall of Yoakum, Texas.

Dave, the owner of Texspresso, had an extreme love of family, sports, and making coffee. He was loved dearly and will be missed by many.

In addition to his parents, Dave is survived by his wife, Tara Kathleen Davis, son Austin Hall, and step-daughter Elizabeth Davis; his brother Scott Hall, wife Belinda, and children Samantha and Jordan; his brother Doug Hall, wife Jessica, and children Josephine, Melanie, Sarah, and Felicity; his sister Paige Castor, husband Paul Castor, children Philip and Hayden; and Tara's family Kathleen Davis, Judge Paul Davis and wife Tricia Heil Davis, Tad Davis, Christian Davis and wife Tracie Mathews.

Tribute Wall

RT

“ A man that could be counted on, with a smile and an incredible cup of coffee. You will be greatly missed Dave. Tara, Austin, Elizabeth, you are constantly in my prayers!

Rebecca Thomas - April 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ I just heard the news yesterday and was very shocked and saddened. My best friend and I went to Texpresso every day for about 3 years during college and got to know Dave and the guys. Years later, after I had moved away, and came back for a visit to my favorite coffee shop he not only remembered me but would greet me with an enthusiastic hug. He was part of what made my college years great. All the best to Dave's family during this time.

Heather Rice - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ My deepest condolences on the loss of your husband and dad Dave. I only found out today when I stopped in for my usual post-yoga coffee & taco. I hadn't been there in a couple weeks, when I stopped by and was surprised to find Texpresso closed - now I sadly know why. I only knew Dave through casual conversation over my breakfast order, but it was obvious how spirited and bright he was, and how passionate he was about what he believed in. We had a long talk the last time I stopped in about kids and education (I'm a teacher) and I was looking forward to saying hi again today. It's obvious from all these posts what a positive presence Dave was in so many people's lives. Again, my deepest condolences.

Claudia Gibson - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ My husband and I started coming to Texpresso this last year and David always greeted us with a warm smile and friendly conversation. I am so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Leigh Ann Maldonado - March 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We were shocked by Dave's passing. He was especially nice to us through the years. He will never have an equal. Our thoughts remain with his family and extended family - of which Dave made us all a part.

Jay & Feli Kluborg - March 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Dave you will never know how many lives you have touched with your witty smile and great coffee. Tara, Austin, Elizabeth, Scott and Doug my prayers are with you all during this time. I am still in shock as I just heard the news today. I would have loved to have been able to attend the memorial service. Dave was one of a kind. May God's love and peace comfort you.

Tracey & Tim Lenz - March 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ We were shocked to learn of the recent death of David.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

All the good memories we share of our friendship especially with Helen, Philip over so many years. My heart goes out to you and all of David's family and friends.

Love YOU,

Dianne, Steve and Bradley Slaughter

Dianne, Steve & Bradley Slaughter - March 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Tara and Elizabeth,

Our hearts are hurting for your family. We are sending you our loving thoughts and prayers.

Marilyn and Fred

Fred and Marilyn Christian - March 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ You will be missed my friend.

Julian Ford - March 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ Dave's been my one of my favorite Austin-area local-biz owners since Texpresso came to Buda. Though I couldn't stop nearly as often as I wanted, it always made me feel good to drive by, see the "open" sign on, and know Dave was inside doing his thing -- authentic coffee and conversation. The "open" sign was not lit the other day and now I know why. I will miss Dave. Prayers to the Hall family.

Valerie Davis - March 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ It has been a long time since I had last seen David, but he was one of these people that you simply will never forget. I used to tell him good coffee came from Brazil, and he always proved me wrong...

Alcyr Coelho - March 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ God could not have picked a more loving, Caring and generous human to take to heaven with him. We will all have a big hole in our lives without this angel. He loved every human he came in contact with. We will all miss you terribly David.

Dave, Jan & Jordan Cruz - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ Dave Hall was one of the kindest people I've ever met. My heart goes out to his family and friends.

Amy Verlander - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Dave was simply an amazing man. He was full of life and did what he could to make your time with him enjoyable, interesting and laughable. Alan and I would venture into the coffee shop and the conversation would begin - first about baseball, of course, family, then to school. Dave made Alan feel like an important person in his coffee shop every time he stopped in there. One thing you can say about Dave was that he left everything on the field in the game of life. He was an amazing person, full of positive energy and honestly cared for each person he spoke with. We have lost an wonderful angel to heaven and know that he'll be watching over the family, whether it be at home, at the shop or on the field. Our thoughts are with you Tara, A & E. Please reach out to your extended "family" if needed. Dave certainly hit a Home Run in the game of life!!

Tonya, Alan & Kenny Arthur - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ So very many of us owe our friendships to Dave and his shop. My heart and prayers go out to his family for their loss. You are dearly missed.

Paul Skogen - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Dave was a great man and he will be missed by many. He would always brighten my day with a great cup of Joe, a smile and a little sports talk. Our prayers go out to his family and friends.

Brent & Veronica Curry - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of David Henry Hall c/o Affordable Burial & Cremation Service- \$775 Cremations.

March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Dave was a very welcoming man. To know him was to love him. I would go to the coffee shop w/ my husband and we would just sit there and chit chat with him. He truly cared. When you walked in he knew the coffee you were ordering too. He always always talked about his kids. He will be GREATLY missed! My deepest sympathy to the family. He my no longer be here, but memories will be.

Jodi Brandt - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Wow, you never know how many days the Lord gives each of us here on earth. I had many conversations with Dave at Texspresso about sports and and a couple about God. I pray that Dave found his peace with both. I know that many of us will miss his smart aleck personality and caring nature. Everyone who came into the coffee shop became an instant friend and that's a gift that Dave had with people. I'll miss Dave yelling "Get that bike out of here" when I pulled my bicycle inside the shop, and then both of us laughing hysterically when we saw the concern on customer's faces! Dave was one of a kind! Play on!

Teresa Carpenter - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ David, you have left behind a host of people who will miss you. Your enthusiasm for life, your willingness to always encourage others by sharing a laugh and a smile, these were only a few of the gifts you freely gave. You touched and enriched the lives of so many people, improving each us by sharing your friendship. Your loyalty, your fiercely competitive spirit, and your quiet compassion for others set the example for so many of us to follow. I am proud to be among those who called you ?friend?. My very deepest condolences to your family, and to all those who are suffering from your loss.

James Wilson - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Lisa & Ted Gauthier - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ I already missed Texspresso when the Anderson Lane location closed. Now, I'll miss Dave as well. As a small business owner, Dave was very good to other small business owners. I held several seminars at Texspresso and countless meetings over coffee. Dave and his staff--especially McCall and Cindy--were always welcoming. My heartfelt condolences to Dave's family.

Amy Praskac - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ My prayers go out to the Hall/Davis families on the loss of Dave.

Kim Johnson - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dave created a wonderful place for us all to go and be a part of a community. I learned so much from the people I met. It helped me become a stronger part of the community. We'll never forget the debates and the laughter! Dave changed so many lives.

Our hearts goes out to all the family. Thank you for sharing your loved one with us,

Sheila and Brad (Brad and "the wife")

Sheila Shoff - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ Dear Tara, Austin, Elizabeth and Hall family, our heart breaks with yours, but we smile after the tears because we were blessed to know Dave, love him and be loved by him. You are in our prayers and thoughts. We pray that God will heal your pain and wrap you in His loving arms. Please know we are here for you in anyway that you need.

God gives each one of us talents and makes something special and unique about us. Dave is no exception, he had many talents and gifts. But the gift that I admired the most -- his ability to shine so bright and with so much passion, he ignited others and let them shine too. Thank you Dave for helping me shine. You loved Chalene because I did, and because you could see what makes her special to me. You were my mentor, boss, confidant, music soulmate, and you will always be one of my best friends. Chalene and I love you so much, we will never forget you!

Ethan and Chalene Hill - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Scott, Belinda and family-

Please know we are thinking of you during this difficult time. We were shocked and saddened to hear about David. May you find comfort in all the wonderful memories. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Jerry and Renee Willms - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Everybody will definitely miss your high energy and enthusiasm, Dave. It was nice getting to know you.

Brandon & Carolyn Richards - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dave was a positive force. Some days I stopped in solely for an attitude adjustment because he always encouraged you to look at the bright side. He will be greatly missed. I am so sorry for your loss.

Laura Frame - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Dave was an amazing person, loving father, great friend, community hero and the most hospitable barista one could know.*

His contributions to the community will not be forgotten. Our world lost an angel this week.

Chris & Chris Gordon - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *We want to express our sadness to hear of your great loss. Paige-I know the thoughtfulness you share with others is a daily testament to the love your family gives each other. With Love & Prayers, Caron & Ed*

Caron & Ed McMahon - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I was very sorry to hear of Dave's passing. He was such a force of nature. I will miss him and my heart goes out to his family and many friends.*

Rick Schumacher - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Dear Tara & Family,

I am truly shocked and saddened by Dave's passing and I have struggled to find the 'right' words to share with you. I want you to know that you are not alone in your bereavement and that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

I will always miss Dave's friendly greeting at Texespresso and, of course, I will miss his great mochas. I will greatly miss our weekly 'sports discussions' when we gave owners, managers and coaches of 'our' Longhorns, Rangers and Cowboys our opinions about their play. I will always remember the time we watched Austin play in a baseball tournament near Bastrop and how much and how hard Dave cheered for all of the players. All of the players will really miss Dave!

In closing, know that I am thinking of you and your family and plan on attending the services on Sunday.

Andy

Andrew Hinds - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Dave, you will be greatly missed. The loud welcomes in the coffee shop, "HEY MOM!", and the heated baseball talks we had will be always present in our memories. Although we only knew you for a short time your smile, your laugh, and your positive outlook on life will have a lifelong presence in our hearts, especially Sam's. He was your 1st Dahlstrom regular. Little did you know he was gonna keep you company 5 days a week. He enjoyed every minute of it and will miss you. Thank for looking out for him.

Rest in Peace.

The Davilla's - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I was so sad to hear of Dave's passing.I was in Apogee with Dave back in the day.Whenever we would go to Austin,I would always make a point to see Dave and Doug at the shop.He was a great guy.Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Michael Fischer

Michael Fischer - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to family members, friends and especially Austin during this difficult time!! God Bless!

Terry and Wendy Brown - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ We had always enjoyed the Anderson Lane shop. My (in his 80's) Dad always stopped there for coffee and a sweet (!) after his workout at the gym down the sidewalk. He enjoyed Dave's warm greetings and cheerfulness.

Carol and Dad>> Bill Kelly - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ I was a daily customer of Dave's for many years at Texspresso Anderson Lane. He was a wonderful individual, full of love and passion for everything and everyone in his life. I feel blessed to have known him.

Ellen Simpson - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ David was the kindest, sweetest, most gentle man. I will cherish evry wonderful memory I have . God Bless David.

Kristen Cahoon Holland - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ I will miss Dave's radiant sparkle ... he always made me smile. My condolences to his family.

Julie Yaun - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ My ex-husband Howard and I were regular Texspresso customers for years, and we had the privilege of attending some Express games with Dave and Austin, along with Rick Behm. Dave never had a customer -- he always had a friend. He was a truly stellar human being, and I will miss his presence here on the planet with us. His sense of humor and joy of life were infectious, and he touched many lives. My heart goes out to Tara, Austin, and Elizabeth, and also to the families of Scott and Doug, and his parents and sister. Blessings to all of you during this difficult time.

Asha Hawkesworth (formerly Shelley Hatfield) - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ I will never forget my favorite vacation ever, a week in Cooperstown, NY., with Dave and our families. I hope to return their one day and will remember how awesome it was to visit with a baseball fan like Dave. The baseball memories we had together will be with me forever. To El Capitan, he will still be at all your games watching and cheering.

Curtis Orton - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Our heart goes out to his family. You'll be missed.

Kevin J. Moran - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ Tara, I am so very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Patty Day - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ My heart and prayers go out to my dear cousin Tara, her daughter and all those grieving Dave's loss. May you always remember the love that you shared, the curve of his smile and the sounds of his laughter.

Julie Linnard - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

OB

“ I am sorry for your loss. I met Mr. Hall one time. My daughter had a soccer game in the area and I wanted to go to a local place for a cup of coffee. Mr. Hall was very open and interested in everyone. I observed him for about 20 minutes. He cared about his customers, he knew a little something on each one. It was refreshing. I could tell he was a good person. I am sure his loss will be felt. God Bless.

Oscar Buitron - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ David was very enthusiastic, friendly and encouraging. Whether at the Y working out or behind the counter at the coffee shop. He remembered not only your name, but what was going on in your life. His sudden call home leaves a huge empty space and he will be greatly missed. Grace and peace to you David as you end this journey and begin the next. Blessings to your family...may God hold you all close during this extremely difficult time.

Cheri Varney - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AY

“ I was shocked and so sad to hear of Dave's passing. Just monday I came over from the spa, as I often do, and Dave and I had about a 20 minute chat about baseball the previous weekend. We shared our love of the Rangers and our boys' playing. He "bragged" about Austin almost everytime I saw him and loved that he played the game almost as much as he loved the boy. He always greeted me with a smile and working next store, would deliver to us most days. I pray Texpresso will live in on in his honor and my prayers go out to Tara and the family.

Aimee Yowell - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ To a great man who lived each day with joy, passion & incredible enthusiasm! You understood what it meant to be a part of and form community. I raise my coffee cup in honor of you a great man who will be sorely missed!

Lisa McClanahan - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ We knew Dave and the Hall family for years as customers, friends and as an employee. Some of our favorite memories were had with the Hall family at Texpresso. God bless you.

Jacob & Jennifer Gaines - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Dave will be much missed. Long discussions over the counter at Tex were always a favorite activity and looked forward to by many of us. My thoughts and sympathies go out to all in his circle of family and friends.

Samantha Akins - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dave was one of the most caring, dedicated human beings I've ever known. I'm at a loss for words...I was there at the Buda location not too long ago and both he and Tara looked so, unbelievably, happy and content. My prayers are with Tara, the kids and all of the family. Luv, Melinda

Melinda Blake - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I am so sorry to hear about Dave's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this difficult time. I haven't been in Austin in years but I'll never forget Dave. Peace to you.

Lori Pickett-Jones - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We are very sorry for your loss and we are keeping the entire family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We feel very lucky to have known David for all of these years. The world has lost an exceptional human being.

The Nobles Family - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ David was a superb guy and one that always had a smile on his face. I would go in to get coffee for my daughter and he would send me off with a Hot Alamocho and a tall cup of ice in case she wanted cold. He was all about service. What a tragic loss. Prayers to Tara and the family during your difficult times. God Bless!

Pam Kaye - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I have been a patron of Texspresso since its South Austin days. It had been awhile since I had visited. So when I found the Anderson Ln store closed I was bummed. Then I found out through facebook that it still existed in Buda. The first thing to greet me was Dave. And the first thing he said was "you found us!" I felt like Norm in my own personal "Cheers". He never forgot a loyal customer. He was always friendly & energetic! I'll miss that! My heart & prayers go out to his family! Stay strong!

Dana Smith - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Dave, you will be missed. You could light up any room you walked in with your vibrant personality and love for life, people, family and coffee. Dave had a beautiful spirit and could make even the worst day better with his witty come backs and upbeat attitude. I feel truly blessed to have had a wonderful person like Dave in mine and my families lives. Dave, you are an amazing man.

Michelle Henderson - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ We met Dave about 15 years ago in his north Austin coffee shop. Such a warm, welcoming human being. We would come daily for chats & coffee. both were always the best in town! you will be sorely missed. my heart aches for Tara and the kids. you all will be in my thoughts and prayers. May God guide you throught this difficult time.

sincerely,

Melanie Frank

Melanie Frank - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM