



Claude "Bradley" Hanks

August 9, 2010

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Judice - Born April 27, 1941, in Rayne, Louisiana, Claude "Bradley" Hanks, 69, passed away peacefully on Monday, August 09, 2010 surrounded by his beloved family, after a short, courageous battle with esophageal cancer. A mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Basil Catholic Church in Judice, LA.

Interment will follow at the St. Basil Mausoleum, Judice, LA.

Bradley, affectionately known as "Honey", is survived by his wife of 20 years, Nancy Bell Hanks. He was also a loving father known as "Dad" to three surviving sons he called "my boys" Chad & wife Leslie of Lafayette, Troy & wife Lesli of Judice, and Jarrod & wife Heather of Orlando, FL. He also leaves behind a special daughter, Michelle Spangler & husband Leigh of Dallas, TX. Special joys of his life were his grandchildren, who dearly loved their "Poppo". They include Cheyenne Hanks Sandifer(husband Dominique) and Amanda Hanks, Shannon and Blake Spangler, Hailey and Heidey Hanks, Katie Hanks and Mallori Jeansonne, Amelia and Ella Hanks; also, his great-grandchildren Dallas and Parker Sandifer; his two dogs and one cat he cherished Tookie, Izzy and NuNu.

He was also known as Brad by surviving siblings Elridge and Jannet Hanks. He is preceded in death by his oldest son, Mark Hanks, and his parents Claude Hanks and the former Winnie Dupont Hanks.

Bradley had a long, successful career as a rice, bean, and crawfish farmer,

respected and admired by many in the agriculture community. He was the first farmer to grow, mill, and wholesale rice in Lafayette parish, in addition to serving on many ag related boards. He was also an avid sports fan. He was an accomplished athlete in high school, in both basketball and track and continued participating in athletics through his young adult life, playing in the Lafayette Men's Softball & Basketball Leagues for many years. He also got great enjoyment out of coaching all of his sons through their many years of youth basketball.

Pallbearers will be Chad, Troy, and Jarrod Hanks, Blake Spangler, Dennis and Brandon Glenn, Kane Hanks, and Jason Hanks. Honorary pallbearers are his special friends, Harvey Mouton, Larry Hanks, Bobby Foreman, Randy Falcon, Lercey Breaux, Thib Broussard, R.C. Cormier, Dale Denais, Aaron Duhon, John Fontane, Lester Simon, and the members of the Judice High School class of 1959.

Celebrating the Mass will be Rev A. Rex Broussard, pastor of St. Basil Church. Lectures will be his granddaughters Cheyenne and Shannon, Eucharistic Ministers will be Leslie Hanks, Rick and Danette Stutes, gift bearers will be his grandchildren Katie, Mallori, Amanda, Heidey, Amelia, & Ella. Music selections will be performed by Organist Kevin Martin, Vocalist Jodi Bollich, and trumpeter Will Green, in addition to special vocal performance by his granddaughter Hailey

Visitation will be held at Gossen Funeral Home, in Rayne, on Wednesday, August 11 from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM, and from 8:00 AM to the time of the service.

A rosary will be prayed by John Fontane on Wednesday, August 11, at 7:00 PM at Gossen Funeral Home.

The family would like to extend special gratitude to Dr. Ghyass Rizk and also MD Anderson Hospital and Hospice of Acadiana. In leu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations are made to: Hospice of Acadiana, Inc. 2600 Johnston St., Ste 200, Lafayette, LA 70503-3240.

Family and friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at www.gosse

nfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne,
LA (337)334-3141.

Tribute Wall

BL

“ *My sincere sympathy and condolences to the entire Hanks family.*

Brenda LeBlanc Johnson - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

DI

“ *Dear Leslie, Chad and Hanks Family,*

I was saddened to hear of the loss of Chad's dad. I learned what an amazing individual he was from his obituary. Although there is nothing to say to make a sad life matter better, may the words of our friend, Jesus, give you peace: "Blessed are those that mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

The Lord be with you and yours and I will continue to pray for you.

Diana

Diana Lennon - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

AL

“ *To the Hanks' family: I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. Bradley was such a wonderful person, he will truly be missed. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God give each of you the strength you need to get through this difficult time. Love, Alison Poindexter Seal.*

Alison Poindexter-Seal - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

AL

“ Our sincere sympathy to the entire family of Mr. Bradley Hanks. I have known Mr. Bradley all my life and he was a caring icon in the Judice Community. To Chad, Troy, Jarrod and Michelle, I hope your dad's memory will live in your hearts forever. Remember all the great advice he shared with each of you and continue to make him proud. He is now in a place where he can be the best father that he could possibly be. He is your personal angel who will watch over you and will be able to protect you like he never has before. Ms. Nancy... You know how much we love you. Our hearts are broken for you as we can understand the pain that comes from losing someone special in our lives. You will survive. I know of your Faith, and it is at times like these that you have to dig really deep to find your Faith to see yourself through the tough road ahead. Mr. Bradley will forever be in your heart, mind, body and soul. I know what he meant to you and what you meant to him. Hold on to all of your memories as they will be the most comforting thing you will have. I will continue to pray for you and the entire Hank's family that God will cradle each of you in his loving arms and give you the most comforting peace that he could possibly give through your grieving process. God will never forsake any of you, so lean on him as he wants you to. We will also continue to pray for the soul of Mr. Bradley that God grants him his place in the Kingdom of Heaven where he may enjoy his eternal life with God and all who have done his will and may he be blessed with peace, love and eternal happiness. God Bless Each Of You!

Love,
Allen, Kate, Brock and Olivia

Allen Guidry - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

BE

“ I am a long time friend of Pam's and live in Tifton. I want to extend my heart felt condolences to the entire Hanks family. You are all in my heart and prayers.

Beth Thacker - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

AN

“ Mrs. Nancy my heart and deepest sympathies goes out to you and your family during this time of sorrow. Do know that my prayers are with you all. May God Bless you all during this difficult time. Ann (Sister) Williams

Ann Williams - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

BE

“ I wanted to extend my deepest sympathies for your family's loss. I have always found comfort in Revelation 21:4 “And he [God] will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will morning nor outcry nor pain be anymore.” Everyone who has lost a loved one looks forward to the time when no one will feel the sting of death. (1 Corinthians 15:55) If you would like more encouraging information to help in the grieving process, please visit www.watchtower.org. I hope that these scriptures may help you though this difficult time.

Bethany - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

JF

“ Dear Nancy,
My heart goes out to you and your family. Warren was kind enough to send me the announcement. We haven't seen each other in many years, but know that you are in my prayers. Much love to all the family. St. Paul says, "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."
What a reunion we all will have some day.
love.
Judy Bell Broxson (Uncle Felix)

Judy Bell (Uncle Felix) Broxson - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

LE

“ My sincere condolences to the entire Hanks family. We prayed for Mr. Bradley daily and I know that God is taking care of him now. Miss Nancy: You are an amazing lady and I love you very much. We are here if any of you need anything at all. You are all on our minds and in our prayers. God Bless all of you. Bryan, Leah, Laney and Valerie Guidry.

Leah Guidry - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM

CA

“ To Mrs. Nancy, you all fought the good fight to the end. I know your life hold a void where he resided in your heart. I believe the more you suffer on this earth, the better place you have in heaven with our heavenly Father. God needed a good farmer to take care of His fields, the harvest is plenty but the workers are few. God's peace to you in this difficult time.

Carl Conques - October 29, 2013 at 04:07 PM