



Joel Warren Simank

September 6, 1976 - July 5, 2017

Joel Warren Simank, 40, passed away and into the arms of Jesus on July 5, 2017 surrounded by the ones who loved him most. 1 Corinthians 5:8, John 3:16. Funeral services will be at 2:00pm, Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale, Texas with burial to follow at I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, Monday, July 10, 2017 at the funeral home.

Joel Simank was born September 6, 1976 in Taylor Tx. He was raised in Rockdale and Thorndale by his loving parents.

Joel enjoyed a number of things, but he fell in love with sports at an early age and his competitive nature only grew as he got older. He helped the Bulldogs win three state championships while attaining countless accolades in other sports along the way. Sometimes known as white lightning during competition, he was just as fast in the romance department. He started a family with his high school sweetheart and they had three boys. Payton, Jayden, and Hayden were his pride and joy and he loved them dearly. Joel shared in the boys' passions and like most parents, he bragged about them often.

Besides being a parent, Joel enjoyed spending time with friends and family. Being around his family is where his heart was and what made him happiest.

It's also where he made others happy. You saw it when the kids ran up for a hug from Uncle Joel or when he scooped them up for a kiss and a hug.

Joel was a big kid himself. He never stopped trying to entertain even if it meant blaming a family member for passing gas. He didn't just try to enjoy life, he made sure he enjoyed it to the extreme. His spirit and personality made him the life of the party and we will never forget that. We will also never forget his cowboy hat, his boots, and his extra, extra, extra, extra...starched jeans. Jeans that literally stood up by themselves. His attire wasn't complete though until he smiled...or made a goofy ass face in every picture! When they (family) couldn't stop him from doing it, they finally joined him.

Joel was a hardworking man. Whether it was taking care of plants, umpiring baseball, or going the extra mile for his employer, he gave it 100. His boss Mike Martinez visited the family a few days ago and let them know how much he'd be missed and what he meant to the company. This says a lot for a man who had come a long way.

I hope everyone can and will remember Joel as a loyal friend, a caring brother, a devoted son, and most importantly, a loving father.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Fred L. and Mable Marie Simank; maternal grandparents, Walter Clyde and Wilma Jean Jones; and uncle, Bobby Simank.

Joel is survived by his mother, Sharon Wilkinson; father, Billy and Rhonda Simank; his sons, Payton, Jayden, and Hayden Simank; his siblings, John Simank and wife Kristy, Jeanie Simank, Jennifer Simank, Justin Simank and wife Naomi, Jason Simank, Jill Eschberger and husband Todd, Janeann Bland and husband Ashaley, David Cooper, Jason Cooper and wife Lisa, Cathy Anna Barnes and husband John; nieces and nephews, Eli, Mycah, Avery and

Mason Simank, Graysen, Gwyneth, Tytus and Joy Simank, Jacey Simank, Alyssa and Dru Jakubowski, Ashtyn Simank, Wyatt, Tucker and Jaxson Eschberger, Addyson, Jameson and Hudson Bland, Reagan and Preston Cooper, and Dustin, Amber, Jensen and Tristen Cooper; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

An account has been set up at Rockdale Federal Credit Union for Joel's boys.

Cemetery Details

I.O.O.F. Cemetery

850 N. Main St.
Rockdale, TX 76567

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Rockdale
1041 West Highway 79
Rockdale, TX 76567
(512) 446-5454
phillips_luckey@yahoo.com
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

Chapel Service

JUL 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joel Warren Simank*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - July 09, 2017 at 05:05 PM

KS

I remembered Joel when he was a little boy. Lots of memories of visiting them at Uncle Clyde and Aunt Wilma Jean with my mom for years. I haven't seen Joel since 1992 when Uncle Clyde died in January of 1992. That's the last memory that I last saw Joel. Wow. He will be missed by the loved ones!! I'm still sadden of his sudden death!! Praying for all of my cousins, Sharon and Billy's children. I have missed them so much.

Kelly A Smith - July 18, 2017 at 10:59 AM

CG

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family of Joel! Words and actions can not ease the pain the his family is feeling at this time. Joel is not gone just away! He lives on in your hearts! God bless you and be with you through this time of sorrow!*



Cynthia & George Galbreath - July 19, 2017 at 08:23 AM

KA

“ My thoughts and prayers to Payton, Jayden, Hayden, Renee and all of the Simank family.
praying for comfort at this time.
love, Carlos & Karla Garza

Karla - July 11, 2017 at 12:28 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 11, 2017 at 11:03 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 11, 2017 at 12:04 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 10, 2017 at 09:52 PM

PT

“ Joel, you was a great friend of mine for a very long time. Just wanted to tell you and your family, that you will be greatly missed. RIP my long time friend.

Phillip

Phillip Templain - July 10, 2017 at 09:49 PM

SR

“ I'm sorry for your loss. May God be with you during this time. God bless the Simank family. Joel was a great friend to have. I will never forget when he and his son helped me unlock my car one night at H.E.B. We laughed and joked around when I saw him at rodeos or at Circleville. GOD Bless The Family from Shameika Rollie

SHAMEIKA Rollie - July 10, 2017 at 06:33 PM

TR

I'm so sorry for your loss.. My deepest condolences.. My thoughts and prayers to Payton, Jayden, Hayden, Renee and all the family. May God bless you and surround you and comfort you in your time of Grief. RIP Joel.

Tracy, Leonard, and Jr Rodriguez - Irving, TX

Deepest Sympathy

Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day, Unseen, Unheard, But always near, Still Loved, Still missed and Very dear..

Tracy Rodriguez - July 11, 2017 at 10:31 AM

MH

“ *Montgomery & Marcella Howard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



Montgomery & Marcella Howard - July 10, 2017 at 05:48 PM

DR

“ *Deb Rowe purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



Deb Rowe - July 10, 2017 at 04:40 PM

JE

“ *There has been an account set up for his sons at the Rockdale Federal Credit Union.*

Jill Eschberger - July 10, 2017 at 09:59 AM



“ *Holly Kramer lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank*



Holly Kramer - July 10, 2017 at 08:34 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



July 10, 2017 at 06:16 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



July 09, 2017 at 11:32 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



July 09, 2017 at 11:10 PM



“ *Torres Family lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank*



Torres Family - July 09, 2017 at 10:21 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jay Torres - July 09, 2017 at 10:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



July 09, 2017 at 07:51 PM



“ *40 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - July 09, 2017 at 04:29 PM



“ *147 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - July 09, 2017 at 02:58 PM

LW

“ Sharon and other family members, I'm so very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Linda Williams
Houston, TX formerly of Rockdale*

Linda Williams - July 09, 2017 at 01:57 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 08, 2017 at 11:22 PM

KL

“ Kathy Lawler lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank



Kathy Lawler - July 08, 2017 at 08:23 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 08, 2017 at 06:53 PM

TG

“ *Trey & Karen & Randy & Cheryl & Girls purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



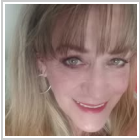
Trey & Karen & Randy & Cheryl & Girls - July 08, 2017 at 04:21 PM

SC

“ *Sharon Cepak lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank*



Sharon Cepak - July 08, 2017 at 12:22 PM



“ *My dearest friend, may you rest in peace and will be an angel of happiness*★ Love Nikki ❤️

Nicole Williams - July 08, 2017 at 11:16 AM

DR

“ *We are hurting for you as you go through this tragedy, but know that you do not walk alone....we are lifting you up in prayer every day, and I know Jesus will carry all of you through this difficult time!*
Donald and Sammye Rives

donald and sammye rives - July 08, 2017 at 02:03 AM

DF

“ *May God comfort you and keep you in your time of sorrow. R.I.P
Joel*

Diana French - July 07, 2017 at 10:24 PM

DF

“ *Diana French lit a candle in memory of Joel
Warren Simank*



Diana French - July 07, 2017 at 10:22 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of
Joel Warren Simank.*



July 07, 2017 at 07:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Joel Warren Simank.*



July 07, 2017 at 06:47 PM

SB

“ Sue Ann (Towery) Burlin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



Sue Ann (Towery) Burlin - July 07, 2017 at 06:35 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joel Warren Simank.



July 07, 2017 at 06:30 PM

PR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this very difficult time. May God comfort all of you. RIP Joel, find comfort in the arms of the Lord.

Patty Rieger - July 07, 2017 at 06:25 PM

KO

“ Karen Orban lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank



karen Orban - July 07, 2017 at 05:49 PM

KA

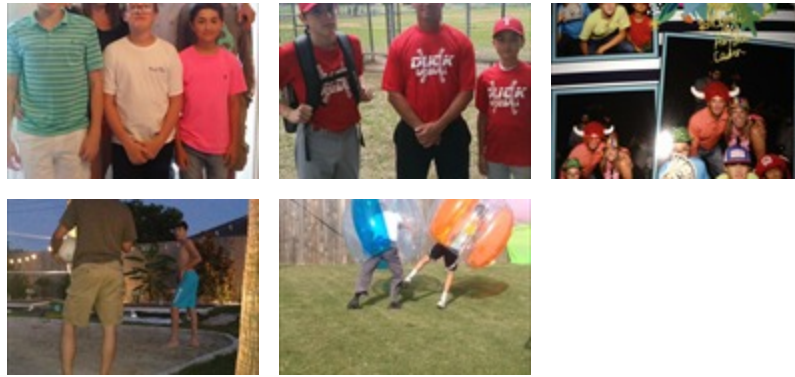
“ Karen Ash lit a candle in memory of Joel Warren Simank



Karen Ash - July 07, 2017 at 05:39 PM

CA

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



caden - July 07, 2017 at 05:27 PM