



## Matthew Jacob Russ

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Matthew J. Russ, age 34, of Jacksonville, joined his maker in heaven on Aug. 18, after accidentally being struck by an automobile in Jacksonville, FL. An angel has left us by no choice of his own. Matt was born in Jacksonville and had lived here for most of his life. He attended Terry Parker High School and had worked as a drywall installer and finisher for many years. Matt loved the beach and enjoyed fishing and spending time reading. He was a talented writer, having composed short stories and poems that he occasionally shared with those around him. He was indeed the "life of the party" and loved partying with his family and friends. His absence leaves a void and he will be truly missed by everyone he left behind. He leaves behind, his father and stepmother, Ronald and Rosanna Russ, his mother, Merrie Lee Tillman, his sister, Rhonda Russ, his brother, Daniel Jewett, as well as his namesake, uncle and godfather, Jake Pennell and his wife, Andrea, and uncles, Robbie, Bud & Jimmy. He is further survived by many other friends and family that loved him very much. Sleep well Matthew, we love you. A celebration of Matt's life will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, Aug 28, 2010 at the home of his father and stepmother, Ron & Rosanna Russ, 12672 Gathering Oaks Drive, Jacksonville, FL. 32258. All are welcome to attend. St. Johns Family Funeral Home in St. Augustine is in charge of arrangements.



# Tribute Wall



“ *card8|family*

October 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *card7|family*

October 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *See you soon on the other side my friend, growing up we we're like each others shadow's where one was the other was sure to be found, many heart's sank the day they heard of this, one day we can explore heaven the way we did this city growing up RIP!*

**Eric Kirkland** - October 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *card5|direct*

September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *we are so sorry for your loss your family is in our prayers*

**sondra, scott, and andrew wilson** - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm sorry for you and your family Rhonda. I love you man.*

**Scott Fulton** - August 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Ronnie and Rosanna, I am so sorry for the loss of Matthew. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Judy Cook - August 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Rhonda and Daniel, You and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. I understand what a terrible loss this is and what you are going through. May God Bless You.

Judy Cook - August 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Matthew,its Mom.I love you with every part of my being, my soul,and my heart...There is now a part of this heart that will be forever gone.The only comfort I can even begin to find is knowing you are at peace with our Lord.I love you my only Son. Sweet dreams my Angel.I will be with you, once again, when GOD chooses. Love,MOM

Merrie Lee Tillman - August 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Rhonda, my prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. I can really relate having lost my sister, mother and brother at an early age. I pray God will you and your family peace and strength during this difficult time. Love, Marie:)

Marie Tanner - August 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Matt was a good friend of mine. He was a caring, wonderful person, and he will be greatly missed. my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this VERY sad time. Rest peacefully Matt!!

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**Janice bruce** - August 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ So Sorry to hear about Matt. Our prayers go out to you in your time of sorrow.

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**David & Anita Forster** - August 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Our deepest condolences for the departed soul. May his soul rest in peace. Sincerely Parag Annie and Michael Florida Career College

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**Parag; Annie and Michael** - August 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ My Dearest Brother, I'm not quite sure what I will ever do without you. I know things will never be the same and a part of me will be missing forever. You were always my protector and friend. I'll miss a lot of things: old child-hood memories, as well as the many things we shared as we grew into our own man and woman. Even though I'm 30 years old I still picture me as the little girl with the best brother anyone could EVER have. But most of all I miss your voice- we shared so many conversations pretty much daily, some mindless chit-chat some very meaningful and I am so grateful for and will cherish that forever. And while a piece of me is missing I also truly feel I have you with me everywhere I go now. I miss you bro, and as always "LOVE YOU TOO"!!! Love always, Your Sis

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**Rhonda Russ** - August 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Merrielee and Rhonda, we're here for you if you need anything. Earth lost a great son, bro, uncle, nephew, and friend but now heaven is truly a better place because of Matt.

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**sharon/ken squires** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Matthew will be missed dearly may your new life in heaven be nice. May everyone that knew Matthew Remember him as a great person. Please everyone say a prayer for Matthew . Ill miss you dearly Matthew

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**James Stroock** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOST, YOU NEED ANYTHING LETS ME NO. YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS. BIG JOHN.

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**john wyche** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Ron and Rosanna, we are so sorry for your loss, there are no words to give you comfort right now. But, please know your friends are here to help.

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**Bill and Lisa Holloway** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ To the family we are very sorry for the loss of matt. He was a great friend of ours we have known matt for along time micheal went to school with matt. Their friendship carried over into life long friends . It`s hard to think of life on this earth with out him . He has left us all to go to a better place and is waiting on each and everyone of us to join him . We all have a gardian Angel watching of us RIP Matt We loved and will miss you dearly .

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**Rebecca & Michael McGraw** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Ron and Rosanna, I am so sorry for your loss! You are in my thoughts and prayers!

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**Karen A. Talvy** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ I was so sorry to hear about Matthew. I can imagine no greater sorrow and my heart goes out to you at sad time. You are in my thoughts.

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**Valerie Druga** - August 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM