



Cole Quinn Croteau

July 17, 1997 - September 28, 2014

Cole Quinn Croteau, 17, of Newnan, died Sunday Sept. 28 at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston.

Cole was born July 17, 1997 to Eric Croteau and Anne Croteau-Lee. He was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis at the age of 3.

Cole was an avid hunter, particularly of deer and duck, and was a co-founder of Cole's Commanders Waterfowl Guide Service, which helps raise money for cystic fibrosis patients and takes ill children on hunting trips. Cole loved the beach, especially the 30A area of Florida. Each year, Cole liked to visit a different part of the 30A area. Being at the beach gave him a sense of independence and being in the water felt healing. Some of his ashes will be spread in the Gulf of Mexico.

Cole's faith was very important to him. He was a member of SouthCrest Church and a member of Fusion at Crossroads Church. Cole had great compassion for people and would inspire and minister to other children with cystic fibrosis as well as his friends.

The family wishes to especially thank the nurses on 5 West and in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Egleston for all the love and care they showed not only Cole but also his family during his time in the hospital.

The memorial service is Saturday, October 4, 2014 at 11:00 o'clock at Crossroads Church, 3260 Hwy 16 East, Sharpsburg, Georgia, 30277, with Pastor Caleb Warren and Pastor Ken Adams officiating. A gathering of family and friends is Friday evening between 5:00-7:00 at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St, Newnan.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com.

Surviving are his parents, his sister Alexandra Croteau, grandmother, Madeline Daly, stepfather, Charles Lee, stepbrother Zachary Lee, girlfriend Kaleigh Purcell, aunts and uncles John V. and Barbara Quinn and Charlotte and Johnny Foster, and numerous cousins and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to Cole's Commanders at the Bank of Georgia or at www.colescommanders.com

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com

Service

OCT 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Crossroads Church
3260 GA 16
Sharpsburg, GA 30277
(770) 254-0291
<http://www.crossroadsonline.org>

Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Chuck and Anne, we are so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. God has another angel at his side now. Jane & Chuck Smith*

Chuck & Jane Smith - October 04, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BL

“ *Anne, Chuck, Eric and Alex, I don't have any words that will help right now. I do want you all to know my heart is breaking for you all I can do is pray for you all. I did not get to know Cole as well as I should have with our distances apart but I know he was a very special, loving young man and will be deeply missed. I cannot imagine the grief of losing a son/ brother, so I will continue to pray for your comfort in this tragic time. I love you all, Bobbie*

Bobbie Lee - October 03, 2014 at 04:21 PM

SN

“ *Our family has shed many tears this week. We met Cole during times when my son Luke and he were in the hospital together. He was a very special young man and we very much appreciate the friendship and compassion he showed Luke during those difficult times for them both. They seemed to have lifted the spirits of each other. Cole was an amazing young man. The challenges Cole faced on a daily basis will never be understood by most. He seemed to face those challenges with courage and determination, the kind of courage and determination we all hope to have during difficult times. He is, and will remain, an inspiration to my son Luke and our family! Rest friend for you have earned it.*

Sandy & Stelling Nelson - October 03, 2014 at 03:10 PM

CS

“ My heart is heavy for you as you mourn the loss of your beloved Cole but I rejoice knowing that Cole is not suffering and is free to live a new and eternal life. As a nurse, I cherish the vocation that I live out because my interactions with patients like Cole are everlasting. His smile will always remain in my heart and will be a source of strength and hope for me always. I pray for your entire family to keep the memory of Cole in your hearts forever, that your wounds may heal in time, and that you may always find comfort and hope in knowing that you will be united again one day with Cole.

Carina Stankiewicz - October 03, 2014 at 11:59 AM

JM

“ My deepest sympathies to all of you for the loss of your sweet son Cole. I have vivid memories when he was younger of his smiling face at the soccer fields with all of the girls. The love his sister showed for him while he was hanging around with the team was undeniable. I know that love carried through to the entire family.

Jennifer Masdon - October 03, 2014 at 11:01 AM

MA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. God bless this family in their time of need. I will keep your family in my prayers.

Michael Aldredge - October 02, 2014 at 07:24 PM

LE

“ Cole will be greatly missed! He lit up a room with his beautiful smile! He lived a great life and never took a moment for granted! Prayers going out to Cole's family during this hard time. RIP Cole! Fly high! *Romans 14:8 If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord*

Lexi - October 02, 2014 at 10:18 AM

DG

“ To the Croteau Family, Hank and I wish to express our deepest sympathies to all of you. We are your previous neighbors on Buckthorne. We are heartbroken. We lift Cole's family and friends up in prayer. I hope you can feel God's comfort and love as well as the arms of the entire community around you. With much love, Hank and Donna

Donna and Hank Grayson - October 01, 2014 at 04:36 PM

SD

“ I have a grandson with CF, so I know what the family and Cole lived each day of his life. In spite of this terrible disease, he seemed to have embraced all aspects of his life. My heart goes out to the family and friends.

S. David - October 01, 2014 at 01:46 PM

DB

“ Dear Croteau Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss of someone so young. Please know you are in my prayers and thoughts. Please know that our Heavenly Father has a yearning to resurrect those whom we love. There is a comforting thought in the Bible at Job 14:14, 15. There it states that God longs to bring back those who are in sleeping in death (those in his memory) to see them live again. Your Newnan Neighbor

D. Burns - October 01, 2014 at 12:37 PM

JD

“ To the family of Cole Croteau I am sorry for your loss. I too lost my beautiful boy and he spent many days at Egleston Hospital. They are a wonderful group of people there. At times like this I like to turn to the bible for comfort. The scripture at 2 Cor. 1:2,3 tells us that Jehovah is the God of all comfort. May his love and strength surround you at this time. I look forward to the fulfillment of the scripture at Isaiah 33:24 which says a time will come when no one will say I am sick and Rev. 21:3,4 when death will be no more. I long for that time. I hope these scriptures bring you comfort at this time. You can find more encouraging information at jw.org and ways to help deal with grief. Again, I am so sorry for your loss.

Jackie Dickerson - September 30, 2014 at 09:58 PM

DM

“ We are so saddened to hear about the passing of such a fine young man. He will live in the hearts of many until they are reunited. God Bless him and keeps his arms around him and his family.

Debra Miller - September 30, 2014 at 02:20 PM

MP

“ I am so sorry for your loss .I will be praying for your family. May GOD bless each one.

mildred pitts - September 30, 2014 at 12:28 PM

SL

“ Dear Anne, Alex and Family, We wanted to express our deepest sympathies to you and your family at this time of loss in your life. Anne, from all the times we talked at the Performing Arts Center years ago, the amazing love and pride you expressed for Cole was just beautiful to see. What an amazing young man he turned out to be and I know you must be so proud of him for all of his accomplishments in his life. There are no words to be said that can comfort you at this time, but know that we are thinking of you and your family. Jordan would also like to express his deepest sympathies as well as you and Alex have always supported him and have always been so kind to him throughout the years. He has actually helped in a few CF fundraisers in Auburn as his dance instructor has a daughter battling CF. In time, we pray for hope and a cure. Cole is a hero to have battled what he went through and he will always be remembered in the community. Take care and know we are thinking and praying for you, Shelley, Jay and Jordan Lunstead

Shelley Lunstead - September 30, 2014 at 11:36 AM

GB

“ Eric, we are so sorry about Cole. Please know that we will praying for you and the family during this very difficult time.

Guilford and Bill Brewer - September 30, 2014 at 09:20 AM

TS

“ Our community gave Cole a Life Hunt in 2011...We give Life Threatened youngsters a trophy white-tail deer hunt, and have been for 13 years...It is with a sad heart that we have lost Cole...We became very close to him, in his short stay with us..He will always have a special place in our hearts...We can only hope that he is watching over all of us, with his fast smile, kind heart, and ever so courteous manner...I have to share a bible verse, that seems to be appropriate to Cole, and his suffering....Isaiah 40:29,31 " He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak; but they that wait upon the Lord will renew their strength.They will mount up with wings of eagles; they shall run and not grow weary, they shall walk and not faint; teach me Lord to wait". This young man, whose life was short can give us all a lesson in life..Wait for our reward..This young man truly waited for his reward..At this time we can only hope and pray that all the family and friends of Cole can find the strength to be as he was...Strong, fearless, and always courteous to all..I pray that he will watch over us all..He will not be forgotten....

Tim Schaller - September 30, 2014 at 09:12 AM

SW

“ So sorry for your loss. I have seen Cole grow up over the years in the schools. He was well liked and well loved. Always had a smile for everyone. Thinking of you and your family

Susan Waller - September 30, 2014 at 07:06 AM

SW

“ I used to have Cole in class some when I was sub teaching at East Coweta High and he was always such a wonderful student and so respectful. Your entire family has my condolences and prayers at this time and in the future. God bless all of you.

Susan Weegar - September 30, 2014 at 12:36 AM

JA

“ I would like to send my condolences out to the Croteau family, words can't begin to express the hurt in my heart that I feel at this time. please keep this wonderful family in you'll prayers.

JOE ARNOLD - September 29, 2014 at 06:48 PM

KD

“ My heart goes out to you during this difficult time. I lost two sons to CF and it is a disease that affects the entire family. He is free from pain and in God's care! God bless you and your family.

Kaye Dice - September 29, 2014 at 06:13 PM

CJ

“ What a special young man Cole was. I don't think its totally hit me that he's gone. He will certainly be missed. My sympathies to his family and friends. I will treasure all the smiles and laughs we had when he was in the lab here at EG.

Crista Jensen - September 29, 2014 at 04:34 PM