



## Ryan C. Garrison

January 26, 1979 - January 17, 2014

Ryan Charles Garrison, the son of Charles Ray and Cynthia Louise (Johnston) Garrison, was born January 26, 1979 in Tahlequah, OK. He departed this life on Friday, January 17, 2014, in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 34 years, 11 months, and 22 days. Ryan graduated from Gore High School in 1997. He went on to graduate from Connors State College as well as Northeastern State University in 2003. Ryan loved the Lord and was a member of the House of Prayer Freewill Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Webbers Falls Masonic Lodge #14.

Ryan loved Lake Tenkiller and throughout his life held jobs at Strayhorn Marina and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers that enabled him to be close to the place he loved, the Garrison Ranch, which he was currently managing. Ryan enjoyed being surrounded by family and friends. He found pride in his greatest accomplishment, his precious daughters. Ryan was a supportive and very loving father. He cherished the time spent with his daughters whether swimming, riding four wheelers, or taking them to look at the cows. He was loyal to his family and enjoyed the moments he spent with them; from feeding cows with his dad, hunting at the cabin, working on his truck with his brother, sitting on the deck at Sean and Ashley's talking, being the protective big brother to his little sis, Heather, or stopping in to give his mother a hug and kiss. He was not only a devoted father, but also a beloved son, brother, grandson, uncle, nephew, cousin, and friend. Ryan will be remembered for his wit, his humor, and his carefree spirit. He will be missed by all who knew and

loved him.

Our hearts are broken, but Ryan's will live on. We know that he is in good company and that we will see him again.

Ryan was preceded in death by his grandfather, Lee Roy Johnston; his grandmother, Lois Johnston Meeks; his uncles, Kelly Johnston and Jimmy Don Blackburn.

He is survived by a loving family that includes his parents, Charles and Cindy Garrison; his daughters, Isabella Garrison, Aryana Garrison, and Saige Garrison; his brother, Sean Garrison and wife, Ashley, and their baby due in July; his sister, Heather Garrison; his nephew, Jaxton Trueblood, all of Gore; Jaxton's father, Joshua Trueblood of Henryetta; his girlfriend, April Chandler and her daughter and Saige's loving big sister, Mariah, of Gore; his grandparents, Garner and Lena Garrison; his aunts, Diana and husband, Roger Ellis, Patty and husband, Vance Thomas, all of Gore; the mother of Isabella and Aryana, Theresa Presley; many cousins, other family members, and friends.

Funeral services celebrating Ryan's life will be 1:00 p.m., Friday, January 24, 2014 at House of Prayer Freewill Baptist Church with Rev. Derrick Hornback officiating. Interment will follow at the Sallisaw City Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Sean Garrison, Jake Ballard, T. J. Girdner, Kevin Chandler, Patrick Schiffli, Richard Tullos, Larry Terrell, and Myles Thomas. Honorary pallbearers will be Heather (Sis) Garrison and a multitude of cousins.

# Cemetery Details

## Sallisaw City Cemetery

794 E Houser Ave  
Sallisaw, OK 74955

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 22. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Visitation

JAN 23. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Service

JAN 24. 1:00 PM (CT)

House of Prayer Freewill Baptist Church  
Gore, OK



# Tribute Wall



“ *Ryan C. Garrison*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Happy Birthday Ryan ! We will all miss you !*

**Corbin Blackburn** - January 26, 2014 at 07:17 PM

BM

“ Charles, Cindy, Sean and Heather:

*As you know, Ryan and I worked together on Lake Tenkiller, as Park Rangers. I can tell you that I was really glad he was there to work with me in performing all of the numerous Natural Resource duties that were required on the lake. We did our best to make sure the visitors to the lake had an enjoyable lake experience, on both the lake, and in the many campgrounds. We had a good time except from doing injury accident reports, and working drownings etc. Ryan was always a true joy to be around, and was always in a good mood. He could make any day brighter and more fun to come to work. I missed him a lot when he went to a different lake to work. Its hard to believe he is gone, but it will happen to all of us at some time, and place, I reckon. I do believe that Ryan is in a much better place now. I will be in Oklahoma City today, so will not be there. I will be thinking about you today and know how close you all were. He was sincerely grateful for his family and told me so continually. No family could have had a son that cared more for them then what Ryan did for all of you. That's a fact that you all have to already know. Wish you all only the best in the future, and I know Ryan would have wanted you all to just be happy in the future. Keep that in mind, because that is what he would have wanted more then anything, and by knowing him as well as anyone could, you know he wants you to go forward with life. That's just the way he was.*

*Bill Mobly*

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**Bill Mobly** - January 24, 2014 at 11:12 AM

DM

“ *My heart is so heavy for you! All I know to do is ask God to give you peace and comfort! I remember sweet Ryan as a boy playing at Nan's in the pool with my boys!*

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**Deann Moore** - January 24, 2014 at 10:12 AM

DM

“ Dear Cindy, Charles, Sean and Heather,  
There are no words that can explain how sorry I am for your loss. I am so deeply saddened, and my heart breaks for you all. Ryan was a precious boy! He was the cutest little kindergartener, with those little glasses and sweet smile!! He was a very smart boy and you can be very proud of the adult he had become. He always spoke to me any time I saw him and still had that precious smile! He is not in any pain and he is definitely smiling down on all of you and is now your guardian angel. He will always be in your hearts and you will get to see him again someday. I am praying for comfort and understanding of why Jesus needed him back so soon.  
May God bless your family,  
Debbie Moseley

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**Debbie Moseley** - January 24, 2014 at 09:29 AM

MN

“ Charles, Cindy , Sean and Heather,  
We are heartbroken about the tragic loss of Ryan. I just don't have the words to express how truly sorry I am for you all. I have been blessed, for many years to have your family as patients in my practice, but more importantly to be able to call you friends. Each and every one of you have always brightened my day when I would see your name on the schedule and know that I was going to be able to visit and catch up on the latest Garrison news. Ryan was always such a joy to talk too and I can't ever remember him being in a bad mood. It was such an honor and pleasure to watch him grow up and become such a wonderful man and I will always be thankful that I had the pleasure to know him. Please know that our hearts are breaking with you and that our thoughts and prayers will be with you through this terrible time. We love you all, Dr. Mike and Shelly Nelson , Angie, Jill , Sarah, Becca and Lee.

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**Mike Nelson** - January 23, 2014 at 11:12 PM

DG

“ During the summer of 2008, Ryan was my supervisor at Lake Eufaula. My mother was very sick and eventually passed that summer, and Ryan was extremely understanding and supportive. He let me cry on his shoulder and would give me a hug when he knew I needed one. His compassion towards me was incredible and he was always there for me. Thank you, Ryan, for your friendship. I love you and I know you are now at peace.

*Deb Gray*

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**Deb Gray** - January 23, 2014 at 09:14 PM

TM

“ From the time he was a chubby cheeked baby till he was a full grown and very handsome young man, Ryan always had a smile that lit up the hearts of those that loved him... my heart is heavy with a shared grief Cindy & Charlie, Sean & Heather. I love you all and always will... Tina

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**Tina Meeks-Hiller** - January 23, 2014 at 07:05 PM

MF

“ *Mike Davis & Family*



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**Mike Davis & Family** - January 23, 2014 at 07:03 PM

BH

“ Dear Garrison Family. .. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during the loss of Ryan.. We pray for strength and peace during this time.. Garner and Lena we have come to love you and we understand the special love for a grandson.. God be with all of you.. Hope to see you in the near future and worship again together.. Bro George and Sis Linda Harris..

Bro George & Sis Linda Harris - January 23, 2014 at 05:57 PM

BT

“ Praying for the Garrison family. Ryan was a blessing to other always had a smile and a hand shake. Will be deeply missed. But is god hands now walking the streets of gold.  
The Doyle Terrell Family

Billy Terrell - January 23, 2014 at 05:01 PM

SM

“ I have watched you grow from a precious little boy to a wonderful young man. You will be greatly missed, but will never be forgotten.  
We will love you always.



Sharon Morgan - January 23, 2014 at 01:59 PM

PY

“ Cindy and Charles, I am so sorry and was shocked to hear the news of Ryan's passing. I have no idea what you are going through but I lift you and the family up to the one who can provide comfort and strength to you all. Hold on to His hand and know that many are praying for you and were blessed to know Ryan in his short life.  
Love, Phyllis (Jones) Yargee

Phyllis Yargee - January 22, 2014 at 04:08 PM

KA

“ Dear Garrison Family, our thoughts and many prayers are offered for each of you, your lives have now changed and each of you are experiencing your own sorrow, but hold on to that which binds you all together which is your Love for Ryan and each other, and let the God of all comfort do His work in each one of you, if we can do anything for you let us know, II Corinthians 1:3-4.

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**Ken Kelli Avaritt** - January 22, 2014 at 08:15 AM

VG

“ Charles & Cindy thanks for calling and asking us to come back to the home. We love you both very much and are praying for you constantly that you will take courage and be strengthened in the Lord and know that "All things work together for good to those that love the Lord." Love, Aunt Virginia

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**Virginia Garrison** - January 22, 2014 at 02:51 AM

CE

“ Charlie and Cindy , We are thinking of you in these difficult times. Our hearts are with you. Words cannot express the sadness we feel for you and your family. Ryan will forever be in our memories.  
Cliff & Sheila Eppler

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**Cliff Eppler** - January 21, 2014 at 08:45 PM

RC

“ Charlie and Cindy, we are at a loss for words, nothing we can say could possibly minimize your grief. Please know we are so sad for you and your family and we hope the love, prayers and concern from so many that care about you will give you comfort and strength in the days ahead. Ron & Libby Crandell

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**Ron & Libby Crandell** - January 21, 2014 at 02:20 PM

SJ

“ *My sweet Cindy, I have known and loved your family for a long time. I love you and I am praying for your family and may God comfort you at this time of sorrow.*

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**shaunda johnson** - January 21, 2014 at 01:39 PM

LB

“ *Ryan will forever be missed! Charles and Cindy you did an amazing job raising all 3 of your children. Ryan was a wonderful son, brother, and father. I will remember him always. I love all of you Garrisons!*

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**Leda Bailey** - January 21, 2014 at 10:14 AM

ZC

“ *Cindy and family,  
There are no words for your loss. I cannot even imagine. I do want you to know that I am thinking of you and praying for comfort! God bless and keep you during this time of sorrow.  
Love,  
Zella Coldwell and family*

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**Zella Coldwell** - January 21, 2014 at 09:41 AM

EP

“ *Ed Parisotto lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**Ed Parisotto** - January 21, 2014 at 09:26 AM

DC

*My condolences to the Garrison, Johnston Family. Our community is saddened by your loss. Our Family tree goes way back to our grandparents, great-grandparents, and the family connection is still very strong. My heart goes out to you Cindy and Charlie, know that you are loved. Dixie Liston Callison*

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**Dixie Callison** - January 21, 2014 at 11:25 AM

MK

“ *Michael Kelliher lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**Michael Kelliher** - January 21, 2014 at 07:48 AM

PF

“ *Patti Eckel Family lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**Patti Eckel Family** - January 20, 2014 at 09:24 PM

PF

*The Patti Eckel Family.*

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**Patti Eckel Family** - January 20, 2014 at 09:26 PM

JR

“ Ryan was such a nice young man. I am grateful for the kindness and friendship he has shown to our granddaughter . Jay and I are at a loss for words and know how painful the days are for all of his family and friends.



**Jay and Diane Rutland** - January 20, 2014 at 07:18 PM

SE

“ The loss of someone dear to us is never easy, but may you take comfort in the fact that you are surrounded by people that love and care for you, if there is anything we/I can do, please don't hesitate to let me know. My condolences. - Thinking and Praying for all of you...

**Shelia " Bennett" Ellis** - January 20, 2014 at 05:28 PM

SE

“ Shelia " Bennett" Ellis lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison



**Shelia " Bennett" Ellis** - January 20, 2014 at 05:19 PM

JM

“ Jackie Morrow lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison



**Jackie Morrow** - January 20, 2014 at 03:05 PM

JP

“ Ryan was a good friend through school. We had many laughs that I will not forget. Working together on the "Dock" was a blast. He was constantly making us laugh. We also had so many good times in baseball and football. Charles although it may be hard to hear at this point but Ryan was constantly talking about you while we were growing up together. You were his hero. Losing loved ones is so hard to do. My family will be praying that the Lord take care of each of you in only the ways He can.

*Jeremiah Perryman*

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**Jeremiah Perryman** - January 20, 2014 at 02:23 PM

CC

“ Candace Presley-Cauthon & Matt Cauthon lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison



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**Candace Presley-Cauthon & Matt Cauthon** - January 20, 2014 at 11:35 AM

JB

“ Jimmy Blackburn lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison



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**Jimmy Blackburn** - January 20, 2014 at 11:30 AM

TF

“ *The Steely Family lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**The Steely Family** - January 20, 2014 at 11:18 AM

JS

“ *Jeff, Tonia, Amanda, Zack And Sophia Ste lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**Jeff, Tonia, Amanda, Zack and Sophia Ste** - January 20, 2014 at 11:16 AM

JM

“ *John Morrow lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**John Morrow** - January 20, 2014 at 09:58 AM

BW

“ *Babe Walden lit a candle in memory of Ryan C. Garrison*



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**Babe Walden** - January 20, 2014 at 08:23 AM



*May God Bless each and everyone of you... May he wrap his arms around you and guide you through this difficult time.*

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**Babe Walden** - January 20, 2014 at 08:29 AM