



## James Lee Copeland

September 23, 1988 - April 18, 2009

James Lee Copeland, son of Steve Copeland and Maria Anna (Henderson) Copeland, was born September 23, 1988 in Paola, Kansas and departed this life on April 18, 2009 in the Texas County Memorial Hospital of Houston, Missouri at the age of 20 years, 6 months and 26 days.

As a young boy, Jimmy and his family moved to the Waynesville/St. Robert area where he attended school and graduated from Waynesville High School in 2006.

While in school, Jimmy excelled at everything he set his mind to. He was a member of the National Honor Society, the A+ Program, Junior ROTC, Jazz Band and the golf team.

After graduating from high school, Jimmy began attending Ozark Technical College and was striving to become a History Teacher.

Jimmy loved music, had a great sense of humor and enjoyed being with his friends. His big dream was to one day go to Greece. The most important thing to him was his family and enjoyed spending time with them.

Jimmy was a very special blessing to all who had the privilege to know him. He will certainly be missed by all that knew him.

Jimmy is survived by his father and bonus mother: Steve and Flo Copeland of St. Robert, MO; his mother and bonus father: Maria Copeland and J.C. Cox of St. Robert, MO; one son: Tavien; seven siblings: Krissy Cole of St. Robert, MO, Angel Brown (Tee) of St. Robert, MO, Jessica Hehl (Brian) of Weatherford, OK, Christy Copeland (Dustin) of Iberia, MO, Jessica Buch (Justin) of St. Robert, MO, and Edwin and Cody Buch of St. Joseph, MO; grandparents: Lena Michelle of Sullivan, MO, John and Kathy Cox of St. Robert, MO, Patricia Poland of St. Joseph, MO and Tarcela Cole of Waynesville, MO; several nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, other relatives and friends.

A celebration of life service was held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday, April 22, 2009 in the Memorial Chapels of Waynesville/St. Robert. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of James Copeland and may be left at the funeral home.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Jimmy!

*It's been a minute. I can't believe it's been 15 years. Wow! I remember when I found out the news I was about to deploy overseas. I can say you inspired me to join the military too. Something we always talked about during our carpools. Thanks for driving me to school everyday until I could drive myself. I appreciate that. Those car rides and conversations, that's what I always keep near and dear to my heart. Every time I hear Bone Thugs, I think of you lol Eminem, you, marching band, you. Nowadays, I actually working on a book, my book, and today I have mustered up the courage to write about you and dedicate a chapter to you. You meant a lot to me and to everyone else. You deserve to be honored that way.*

*P.S. The Celtics are doing good this year lol*

*Talk soon,*

*Santino*

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**Santino Simms** - May 24, 2024 at 08:00 PM

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“ *Hi Uncle Jimmy. I just now found out about this page. I just want to say that I miss you every single day. I got a matching Saint Christopher necklace so I always have you close to me. I'm sad that I was too young to really remember all the time we spent together but I do remember when you used to lift me up in Grandma's trailer to let me touch the elephant wind chime. You are a wonderful uncle and best friend. I hope to see you again some day. I love you so much.*

*P.S Go cheifs!!*

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**Dyna Hehl** - February 16, 2023 at 11:53 PM



“ *James Lee Copeland*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Welp, this is kinda weird. I don't really have any memories of him, but I do wish he was still here. It makes me wonder how my life would have turned out. Miss ya old man.*

**Tavien** - June 20, 2019 at 09:29 PM



*He loved you soo much!!! Tavien!*

**Jessica Gregg** - April 20, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ *Jimmy you have been heavy on my heart and mind lately. I miss my "big-little" brother so much! I love you so much! Keep an eye on dad for me too okay.*

**krissy** - July 19, 2013 at 01:01 AM



“ *I know we never made the 21st birthday drink with each other son but I will still have a toast for you. Your are missed dearly. I love you son.##imported-begin##Maria Copeland##imported-end##*

September 23, 2009 at 03:40 PM



“ My Darling Jimmy. Not a day goes by that I don't miss you. Your hugs, your smile and your "GOSH". I recieved your death certificate today and it saddened me. It was the final reality of the end of your life here on earth. I know you are with God and he will take good care of you and I look forward to the day I can be with you again! You are my heart and my love will always be with you. Plus you are my favorite son!!

Love,

Mom###imported-begin##Maria Copeland###imported-end##

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June 18, 2009 at 12:57 PM



“ We still miss you so much Jimmy. We cry often, can't believe your gone.###imported-begin##Bonus Mom###imported-end##

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May 06, 2009 at 06:06 PM



“ I'll miss you Jimmy, I'm happy to have had you in Scouts.###imported-begin##Jim Lompe###imported-end##

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May 05, 2009 at 11:41 AM