



## Tom Singleton

July 22, 1963 - July 3, 2004

Thomas Dean Singleton, 40, Topeka, died Saturday, July 03, 2004, at Midland Hospice House in Topeka.

Tom was born in Topeka on July 22, 1963, the son of James and Carol Miller Singleton. He graduated from Topeka High School with the Class of 1981. He was employed by Dillon Grocery since 1980. On April 28, 1989 Tom and Dana Springer Townsend were married in Topeka. She survives. Tom and his wife are members of Faith Lutheran Church, Topeka.

Other survivors include his children, Sean and Maren Townsend, Matthew and Nicole Townsend, Ryan and Hollee Townsend, all of Topeka, and Michelle Singleton, Trevor Singleton, Molly Singleton and Mallory Singleton, all of the home; his parents James and Carol Singleton, Topeka; siblings Brenda and Gary Cox, Parkville MO; Mark Singleton, Topeka, Randy and Pam Singleton, Raymore MO; brothers and sisters-in-law, Kim Zerbe, Darren and Janet Blakesley, Rodney and Nancy Springer; four grandsons and three granddaughters; 10 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Wilson Ronald Springer in November 2003 and brother-in-law, Joseph Blakesley in January 1995.

Tom touched many lives throughout his short life. His upbeat manner, bright and infectious smile, ornery wit, kind and gentle spirit, and loving attitude

toward all he met made a difference each day to those around him. He was a loving and devoted husband and father, whose favorite pastimes was to be at home with his family or engaged in extended family activities. His deep love for the Lord was evident in the way he carried out his life and his eventual death. He never faltered or wavered in his trust of the Lord, even amidst the difficult challenges he endured during his fifteen month battle with cancer, always keeping his eyes focused on eternal life and the promise of being with his family again one day in heaven. His deep faith was an inspiration and a blessing to his family, his friends, his co-workers, and his church family. He was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Services will be held at 10:30 Thursday at Faith Lutheran Church, 1716 SW Gage, followed by inurnment at Prairie Home Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Singleton family children fund at any Commerce Bank, or to Midland Hospice Care, 200 SW Frazier Circle, Topeka KS 66606.

# Tribute Wall



“ Tom Singleton

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Dana & Family--You are in my thoughts and prayers today. What a wonderful family Tom has and how much he was loved. Working with Tom was always fun. He always had a smile and a joke for us. His way with people made him endeared to all. Although it has been a few years since we worked together, I remember very well his pride in his "three big sons" and his joy when the family grew. I also can tell you that his love for you Dana, was evident to all who knew him. He will forever be missed by all who knew him. God has a special new angel. I hope all us "Dillonites" will give you many stories to tell and retell to your children. God Bless and Keep you.  
Dawn Southall

Dawn Southall - July 09, 2004 at 02:30 PM



“ Dana, Joe and I only met you once at Joyce and Bret Scheck's house many years ago. Joe and I both knew Tom years ago. Tom lived in an upstairs apartment in a house on Mulvane that I shared with some girls in the 1980's. Tom was always so friendly, outgoing, and witty. We really thought he had beat this cancer when we saw your anniversary in the paper. I am so sorry he didn't. We will continue to pray for you and your children.

Theresa and Joe Hemmer - July 08, 2004 at 07:48 PM

MS

“ I grew up across the alley from Tom and his parents, so I've known him a long time. We reconnected when I began seeing him at Dillons after I had a family of my own, and he never failed to say hello and ask me about my own family. Eventually, my son began working at Dillons in North Topeka, and he became the second generation in our family to get to know Tom. I can't think of a nicer, happier, more pleasant person, and my family and I consider it a privilege and a blessing to have known him. Our sincere condolences to his family and to his wide, extended family of friends and acquaintances.

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**Mary Schumacher** - July 08, 2004 at 04:36 PM

MH

“ Even though we did not know Tom for a long time, he sure impacted our lives, especially as he fought the illness so valiantly. Dana, you and Tom have touched so many lives throughout this community. Only Eternity will tell how far and wide. We will miss Tom deeply and look forward to seeing him again someday. Our prayers are with you and your family. And we are only a couple blocks away if you need anything.

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**Mark & LaVonne Holmgren** - July 07, 2004 at 11:25 PM

DP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and those precious children. I watched your little family at the Community Action picnic in May and marveled at your bravery. You are indeed a very special person an inspiration to all of us.. Dee Puff

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**Dee Puff** - July 07, 2004 at 06:45 PM

DO

“ *Dana and family, we will all miss Tom so much! I always thought Tom would just always be here. What a wonderful man. What a wonderful life. We are all thinking of you all. Tom's smile and his easy-going spirit will always be remembered. He will always be an inspiration to us, and everyone else who must live with cancer. His faith in God was such an example!! We just loved him sooo much.*

*Dia Ginger Ron Debbie Holly Shelly Sarah W. Sarah H. Sherrie Sarah M. Gwen Lana Janelle Holly Mary Jo Darchelle Sarah B. Brooke Pam*

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**Dia Orear** - July 06, 2004 at 02:59 PM

AP

“ *I send to Dana and children of Tom my deepest condolences. Tom will be truly missed. He touched my life in a way that is unexplainable. His gentle nature and kindness will never be forgotten. I pray that God give you all strength in your time of need. God Bless you all and know always Tom may not be here physically but he will forever be in our hearts. God Bless.*

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**Annie Parvin** - July 06, 2004 at 12:31 PM

RF

“ *My prays are with you and your family at this time in your life. It was my honor to know and work with tom in the past! I am a better man for it ! He helped me through some rough times back then and also my fight with cancer now! We all will meet again in the future. God Bless!!*

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**Rick J Franks** - July 06, 2004 at 10:30 AM



“ *Tom Singleton*

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July 05, 2004 at 08:53 PM