



Timothy Mathis

August 15, 1986 - September 9, 2011

Timothy Jonathan Mathis (TJ) departed this life suddenly on Sat, Sept 3, 2011 in New Haven, CT. He was born in New Haven on Aug 15, 1986. He leaves to celebrate his life parents, Pastor Richard and Evang Renae Kennedy, Mr and Mrs Lenny (Deidre) Pender, maternal grandmother, Annette Darden, paternal grandmothers, Patricia Ann Pender Fontaine, Jessie Kennedy, paternal great grandmother, Rebecca Pender, Edna Mills Brown, son, Jair Alexander Mathis, siblings, Ashley Edwards, Dominique Kennedy, Justin Edwards, Ebony Murphy, Rayshawn Pender, Richard (Doc) Kennedy, Bianca Kennedy, special friend, Ashlei Grant and a host of other relatives and friends TJ was a Hamden High School graduate; he attended Morgan State Univ. and graduated from Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA. Among his many basketball awards and accomplishments are 2004 2nd Team New Haven Register All State Player, 2003 and 2004 All SCC Conference Player and Freshmen Rookie of the Year Award at Morgan State Univ. He was employed at Vantage Group Inc. and West Haven Community House. Most recently, he was recruited for the new ABA Basketball League and received MVP for the Greater Hartford Pro Am 2011.

Tribute Wall



“ *Timothy Mathis*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *We connected as he shot them 3's I took them shots on my camera. Then he looked down the court and smiled as to verify if I got that! I don't have the years of the history but the pics created a lifetime. RIP TJ. My heart & prayers go out to the family. The good don't die young they die too early.*

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Ty Waterman - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM



“ *My sincerest and heartfelt condolences to the families for your loss. May God be with you and give you the strength you need to get through this difficult time. You are blessed with the support of friends and family to help heal from this heartbreaking and senseless tragedy that did not have to happen. I am just a phone call away if there is anything I can do to help.*

Tracey Long - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

TF

“ To The Mathis Family, Our prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. May God be with you.
During the time that I have worked with Tim, I remember him to be a very pleasant young man, who was very friendly, upbeat, and always had a smile.
May God bless you and your family, without reservation our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to you.

Tahirah Sharif & Family - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

LC

“ Lenny please accept my deepest of condolences. May God walk with you during this difficult time. Please know that God has him and Dre will show him the ropes. If you and your family need anything don't hesitate to ask.

Luella (Lolly) Chatfield - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

CB

“ Words cannot even begin to adequately express the depth of the loss we all feel for the wonderful young man we knew as TJ. To know him was to love and admire him. It was a privilege to coach and work with him. That radiant smile of his lit up whatever room he entered, that, and his boundless enthusiasm is how I'll always remember him. His successes on the court are too numerous to mention but there were many unforgettable moments. He was truly special and will be missed dearly. On behalf of Scott, Carly, Becca, myself and the entire Hamden High School Basketball community our heartfelt condolences are offered to the family.

Clem Batchelder - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

SC

“ TO LENNY AND FAMILY. THOSE WE LOVE REMAIN WITH US.FOR LOVE ITSELF LIVES ON, AND CHERISHED MEMORIES NEVER FADE BECAUSE A LOVED ONE'S GONE. THOSE WE LOVE CAN NEVER BE MORE THAN A THOUGHT APART, FAR AS LONG AS THERE IS MEMORY,THEY'LL LIVE ON IN THE HEART.

SCOBIE - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

EF

“ Renae,
May the Lord wrap his loving arms around you. So sorry for the loss of your child. My deepest condolences.

Elena Iannaccone Fusco - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

TF

“ We are saddened by the loss of your son. Our most heartfelt sympathy; we send our condolences to Mr. Lenny Pender. Be very proud that Timothy was a positive young man! Our Daughter knew/ went to school and said he was a cool guy; she enjoyed watching him play basketball!! Your Family is in our prayers and Peace be with you.

Love,
The Eldridge Family

The Eldridge Family - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

WS

“ Our Deepest sympathy to you and your family.
May god bless you and your family.

Walter&Maxine Stanley - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

TR

“ I'm so sorry for your lost, everytime I see you I always ask about TJ, because he left that feelig in people. I know your going to be ok, because god has a plan for everything. I will never ask you again about TJ, only because he's with god, and I know he's ok.

Terry Reese & Ashley Hobby

Terry Reese - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

NI

“ My condolences and sympathy go out to all family members and friends of tj.. i grew up with tj.. he was such a good kid..soo cute..funny..smart.. bball star!! he was always the life of the party.. tj will be missed deeply and all i can say is im sickened by the deaths that have been occurring in new haven over the last few years.. tj didnt deserve die at all..he wasnt a street thug and is lovedd and adored by so many!!!! :*(tj i love u boo.. ill always remember our times in the good ol hamden middle n high school.. :(

Nadine Inorio - October 07, 2011 at 11:39 AM

MR

“ Our deepest condolences to your family. We never had the chance to meet T.J. but we know how very proud you were of him. Our prayers are with you

George & Aunt Carolyn

Mr. & Mrs. George Robbs - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

RL

“ *I had a great time with you just a few hours before you passed man. We lost not only a great ball player but a great man. God got a GREAT Point guard to run his team. See you on the other side my dude.... RIP TJ*

Rich London - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

KD

“ *Rick, Renae & Family*

We share your sorrow in the loss of TJ. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

May God comfort you during this time.

Kim Draughn-Norris - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

JB

“ *To The Mathis Family,
Our prayers are with you. I have known TJ for the past 3years, I will miss our conversations about basketball and the raisings of young sons. He was my grandsons friend playing ball with him before the games in Hartford. He will be missed!*

Jackie Bethea - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

KJ

“ *Renae and Rick ~ Words will never suffice for our heartfelt sorrow on the loss of your son, TJ. We will always remember the good times our sons shared growing up and playing basketball together. God will supply your every need. I pray that He grants you peace that surpasses all understanding. We are with you now and always.*

Keith & Yvonne E. Jones - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

TF

“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for your loss. Deepest sympathies during this time. Keep in mind we are there for you, if you need anything during this devastating time. We are so sorry for your loss and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Our hearts go out to you during this time of sorrow. We are so deeply saddened when we hear of this great loss. Although I know that no words can ease the loss you feel, just know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Words can't say how sad we feel. We are thinking of you during this time. So sorry for your loss and any way we can help, we'd like to be there for you. It is so hard to say goodbye, but know that your love is felt and your words are heard. So take time to say goodbye in your own way. In a time of loss like this, all I can say is how sorry we are and how much we love you. Our sympathies during this time of loss. We can't even pretend to know how you feel, but we can tell you that everything will be okay, you will be okay, time will heal all. I wish I could take the pain you are feeling away. May you know we are thinking of you and hope that brings you some comfort. Kennedy and Mathis Family the Mills Family Are here for you we are just a phone call away we love you and we miss TJ dearly

The Mills Famliy - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

CC

“ I am very sorry for your heartbreaking loss. As a mother I feel your tremendous loss and pray that God in his mercy helps ease your terrible pain.

Cheryl McCarthy Chiari - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

EC

“ I am so sorry for the loss of you son.
Wish I had a way to make the pain of his loss go away. May the
peace of God fill your hearts during the time.
Ed

Edward Conte - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

SD

“ TJ changed so many lives on this earth and will continue to do so. I
am so proud to have known him through school and basketball. My
prayers and thoughts go to the family and all friends.

He will be dearly missed but never forgotten.

Love

Scott Draughn - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM

TD

“ Tim was my good friend for over ten years.. I got to see what great
person he was. From being the class clown or just when i need
someone to talk too. I send my condolence to his family,son and
ashley. To his mother you raised I good man he loves you so much
alway talk about how he wish he was their for you in your time of
need. A piece of my heart will be gone forever... I LOVE YOU TIM

Tiara dicks - September 08, 2011 at 01:51 PM