



JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH

December 2, 1963 - September 5, 2014

OBITUARY FOR JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH

CROUCH, Joel Matthew, age 50, was born December 2, 1963 in Middletown, Ohio. He went to spend eternity with his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ on September 5, 2014. Joel loved the Lord so much, and he loved to praise and glorify Him. Joel started singing gospel songs when he was a small child. By the time he reached his teens, he was singing in various churches, playing the piano and guitar and composing beautiful gospel songs. Joel was very talented. The Lord blessed him with a beautiful gift. Joel was a very friendly person. He made friends easily, and he never saw a stranger. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it. He was always a generous person who was willing to share with others. He believed in giving. Joel enjoyed cooking, and he was a very good cook. He enjoyed feeding people, and of course, he enjoyed the compliments he received about his culinary skills. Joel was also an avid reader, and he preferred literature which was spiritually beneficial. He loved the Holy Bible. When he was nineteen years of age, he attended Holmes Bible College for several months, and he has fond memories of the time he spent there. When Joel was nine months old he started calling me "Mommoy". I am his mother, and I still enjoy hearing him call me "Mommoy". We love Joel so much, and we miss him so much! We know that he is in a better place now, but we are devastated over his death. There is a void which cannot be filled. We are looking forward to that

wonderful blessed time when we are going to be together again. Although Joel is a fifty year old man, he will always be my blue-eyed baby boy, and I will always be his "Mommoy". Joel was preceded in death by his father, Ollie Lee Crouch, his brother, Bishop Daniel Lee Crouch, his paternal grandparents, Charles and Mary Crouch, and his maternal grandparents, Lloyd and Sylvia Patrick. He is survived by his mother, Mildred Ann (Patrick) Crouch; his daughter, Ashley Erinn Crouch; his brother, Timothy David (Pamela) Crouch; three nieces; one nephew; three grand nieces and three grand nephews. Visitation will be Monday, September 15, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown, followed by services at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Larry Hayes officiating. Interment will be at Woodside Cemetery, Middletown, Ohio. Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.herr-riggs.com

Tribute Wall



“ It is now January of 2026. And I would like for Joel's family to know that I still think I'm home today. I miss my friend.
... I realize that his family probably does not know who I am.. but me and Joel we're actually pretty good friends... There is no hidden meanings or any messages there.... And I don't want to open up Old wounds...
But I think about Joel... And many others all the time. .
I like to think that my friend is in a better place today.
And I hope that Joel's family has found peace.

Jack Arrowood - January 14 at 11:06 PM



“ **JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH**

September 13, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *Ruthie lit a candle in memory of JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH*



Ruthie - September 05, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ Joel crouch was a wonderful person .I spent a lot of time with him talking about knowing Jesus Christ. We could talk for hours .his older brother was my closest friend that I ever had.daniel was one of the best preachers I ever herd .he would be on fire for the Lord when he preached at church.ile never forget .his wonder parents . Thai were the kindest people die ever met.my condolences Mrs c...miss u all. DenverOverbey389@gmail.c

Denver Overbey - September 18, 2014 at 09:35 AM



*Kindest people I ever met**

Denver Overbey - September 18, 2014 at 09:46 AM

SH

“ Sheryl Wilmath Hensley lit a candle in memory of JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH



Sheryl Wilmath Hensley - September 16, 2014 at 08:18 AM

SH

“ Sending prayers to Mitzi & Tim; to the whole Crouch Family..I am so sorry for your loss of Joel.I will miss him coming in the store..God be with all of you ; and send a comforter ...
NOTHING THAT IS LOVED IS EVER LOST..NO ONE WHO HAS TOUCHED A LIFE,WHO HAS BROUGHT BEAUTY TO THE WORLD..IS EVER TRULY GONE..!!!!!!
Love you all ..Sheryl

Sheryl Wilmath Hensley - September 16, 2014 at 08:17 AM

PH

“ *Pastor Larry Hayes lit a candle in memory of
JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH*



Pastor Larry Hayes - September 13, 2014 at 08:33 AM

PH

“ *Pastor Larry & Patty Hayes lit a candle in
memory of JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH*



Pastor Larry & Patty Hayes - September 13, 2014 at 08:31 AM

LM

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family. Please find comfort in your
many cherished memories and in the loving support of God and
family.
2 Corinthians 1:3,4, 1 Peter 5:7*

Linda Martin - September 12, 2014 at 01:18 PM

IL

“ When I was young a getting into music, my cousin Joel would take me to his band practices with him and hangout with me and introduce me to music! He was such a great friend and cousin! I have lots of great memories with him as I am sure many others do!! He was a very genuine and humble guy...with a great since of humor!! I will miss him so much! Thank you for being part of my life Joel! Love You Cuz!!!



Ian Little - September 11, 2014 at 06:52 PM

LC

“ I remeber Joel so well from school. He was always loving person and accepted me for who I was when alot of people did not. The world is a little dark place now that he is gone. I hope his family and loved ones have comfort in the fact that he is now singing with the angels in heaven.

Lisa "Fultz" Conley - September 11, 2014 at 11:49 AM

SF

“ Shelley Friend lit a candle in memory of JOEL
MATTHEW CROUCH



Shelley Friend - September 10, 2014 at 08:46 PM

TC

“ Timothy D Crouch lit a candle in memory of
JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH



Timothy D Crouch - September 10, 2014 at 06:28 PM



So sorry for your loss tim.joel was a wonderful person.his friend Denver
overbey389@gmail.com

Denver Overbey - September 18, 2014 at 09:41 AM

BS

“ It was music that brought us together more
than 30 years ago. That meeting created a
friendship that will never be forgotten. We
have been through so much together and
where there for each other when it mattered
most. I will never forget the times we shared. Rest in peace my
friend.



Brett Stouffer - September 10, 2014 at 12:10 PM

Ruthie
Little

“ Ruthie Little lit a candle in memory of JOEL
MATTHEW CROUCH



Ruthie Little - September 10, 2014 at 11:40 AM



“Cuz, I have so many memories it would be impossible to pick a favorite and share. You were like a little brother to me. You were a rare jewel, you had an amazing love for people and God, you were honest and quick to forgive others. You introduced me to my now best friend over 33 years ago...I remember you saying "you will like Sue, if you give it time I think you two will hit it off" LOL....you were absolutely correct! You had so many talents, your music being one among many. I am glad I was able to speak to you the other day and tell you how much I loved you, and hearing your usual reply "I love you too cuz", I will so miss hearing that from you, but I keep it in my heart. I am so glad you are at peace now with no pain. You are Home! I will so miss your sense of humor, you could always find something funny in almost every situation to lighten the load of those around you, even when you were in so much pain and hurt yourself. Keep em laughin in Heaven cuz!
Ruthie Little

Ruthie Little - September 10, 2014 at 11:24 AM



“Going to the early 90's when I first met Joel. He sang at Grace Chapel. I played drums for the church. The song he sang so well was "He Touched Me." Then Joel was the lead singer for the music group Benediction in which I became lead singer of as he went to the band Last Rites. Our talents complimented each other. He could write incredible songs and song lyrics. Joel is now singing Look Into The Light to the angels and they are applauding. Thanks Joel for leaving behind a legacy of music.

Dan Broxterman - September 09, 2014 at 10:10 PM

SD

“ RIP



SHIRLEYV DREW - September 09, 2014 at 05:05 PM

TC

“ *I love you my little brother*

Timothy D Crouch - September 09, 2014 at 04:04 AM

SS

“ *Parting is such sweet sorrow. Joel, my friend for more then thirty years, are now where we spoke of so many times. Your time on Earth was well spent. Your mission to tell others about the love of God, truely reached a multitude. Your actions, your generosity, your ability to help your fellow man in whatever way they needed was pleasing to the Father. Joel was a blessing to my daughters throughout their entire lives. They are crushed. They too are comforted in the knowledge that Joel is with God. I loved Joel from the moment we met. I think everybody felt that way about him. There was nothing on this Earth that could seperate our friendship. It was unconditional. I love my brother, my friend, and he will stay alive forever in my memories. So very many many memories. Take good care of that piece of my heart you took with you Joel <3*

sue shockey - September 08, 2014 at 11:20 PM

AJ

“ I hadn't seen Joel since he was a boy. I remember seeing him at The Highway when Johnny Carter was the pastor. I remember him being such a sweet and beautiful little boy. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. May God comfort each one of you through the days ahead.

Ann Johnson-Vaughn - September 08, 2014 at 08:46 PM

TC

Thank you kindly Ann

Timothy D Crouch - September 10, 2014 at 06:30 PM

BG

“ Joel loved jesus, and was his hands extended. I am grateful he was my friend, and he was always kind to me. We hurt here, but I know he hurts no more!

belinda gray - September 08, 2014 at 04:54 PM

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VF

“ Going to miss hearing your voice on the phone , but will always remember us as young kids and you teasing me about catching crawdads , I pray for you that your at peace and with our other lost loved ones . love ya <3 cousin

Valerie Fawcett - September 08, 2014 at 04:41 PM

VF

“ Valerie Fawcett sent a virtual gift in memory of
JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH



Valerie Fawcett - September 08, 2014 at 04:37 PM

VF

“ Valerie Fawcett lit a candle in memory of
JOEL MATTHEW CROUCH



Valerie Fawcett - September 08, 2014 at 04:35 PM