



Michael Andrew Mercer

January 8, 2003 - January 8, 2003

Anderson ? Infant Michael Andrew Mercer, unborn son of John A. and Hannah M. Sanders Mercer, died and went to heaven on Wednesday, January 8, 2003 at St. Johns Health System, just days before his expected birth. He is survived by his parents: John A. and Hannah M. Sanders Mercer of Anderson. Maternal Grandparents: Paul & Betty Sanders of Anderson. Paternal Grandparents: Calvin & Charlotte Mercer of Anderson and Jeanne & Paul White of Churubusco, IN. Maternal Great Grandparents: Adam & Georgia Sanders of Anderson. Aunts & Uncles: Heather Sanders and special friend, Brian Sullivan both of Anderson; Paula & Brad Compton of Frankton and Tom & Thias Mercer of Frankton. Seven Cousins. Private services will be held on Monday, January 13, 2003 at Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, South Chapel, 200 West 53rd Street, Anderson, IN, with Rev. Paul White officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery, Anderson. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

Tribute Wall



“ *John, I'm an old classmate from Frankton High class of 1990 and I'm really sorry to see that you and your wife suffered such a terrible loss. I just found out by visiting this site. Sincerely, Carol Trennepohl Cantrell*

Carol Trennepohl Cantrell - September 29, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ John and Hannah, My deepest concerns for both of you in the loss of your baby Michael. The pain is great and unfair. Your closest family and friends are completely at a loss for comforting words. They want to hold you and take away your pain, but again it is unfair that no one can. Take time as others have encouraged for each of you. Together and alone. Allow your family and friends to sit with you on occasion, no words are needed...just each others presence and endless love. You are surrounded with love and hugs AND it is okay to take as many as you can. It is also okay to cry, feel sad, and wonder why. Please do not punish yourselves with thoughts like, "You get what you deserve".. There are no mothers and fathers that deserve the pain you are feeling. It is okay to be angry, and I believe it is a strong factor in a healthy recovery. I lost a son Tyler 11 years ago 1 week from birth. The reason was a 1 in a million complication of staph infection. Why me ? I still do not know. Why my family and friends their pain and sorrow? No answers... My healing is still taking place, as you know it will never end. What I can tell you is that my healing is now very heart warming. I am someone you may never meet, although our common tie is Stacy Smith Huffman. She mentioned your devastating loss. She feels your pain so very much. I hope you don't mind my signing your guestbook, I just felt I could. Our family which grew in emotional strength tremendously, talks and remembers how excited we were for Tyler's arrival. We know now that he is waiting for our arrival to his home up high.....in the meantime, my loss has enabled me to comfort others. This is when I feel most content. Tyler and Michael are patiently waiting.....happy and playfully I believe... A stranger I am in a physical sense, on the emotional level, I am only a phone call or email away.....regardless of the hour or time...know that I would be there for all of you.....Stacy will share my number if you like.

Debbie Schwab - February 10, 2003 at 12:00 AM

ZD

“ *Hannah and John, I wish that I could take away your pain and sadness. Even though words might not help know my caring thoughts are with you, as well as my love.* ”

Z. Leslie Davis - February 07, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Sorry to hear about your loss, you will be in my prayers.* ”

Kelly Campbell - January 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *John & Hannah, it is hard to even imagine the emptiness that you must be feeling. I love you both. I'm writing today to let you know that I'm here supporting your strength & courage. You are in my thoughts & prayers as is your little angel, Michael.* ”

Shannon Graham - January 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ *Hannah, Just wanted to let you know that I am thinking of you.* ”

Beth - January 22, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MY

“ *John and Hanna: Sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers. Malachi and family* ”

Malachi T. Young - January 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *Hanna and family, So sorry for your loss. Michael Andrew is a perfect name for God's newest little angel. Jana* ”

Jana Thornburg - January 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Hannah and John, I was so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you both. Shelley*

Shelley Baker - January 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *I am very sorry for your loss and you are in my thoughts and prayers. Kathy Chism*

Kathy Chism - January 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Hannah, I'm sorry for your loss. You in my prayers.*

Melissa Detrick - January 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Our deepest sympathy for you and your family. Prayers are with you both. Be strong. Mark and Becky Hughes*

Mark & Becky Hughes - January 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *Dear Hannah & John: My heart cries out for you in this time of loss of your son. I pray God will comfort you both. Love Always, Lisa*

Lisa Benefiel - January 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Michael Andrew Mercer*

Jami Sumner - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You have been on our minds and in our prayers constantly.

Steve and Jami Sumner - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ We cannot begin to tell you how very sorry we are for your loss. You both are constantly in our thoughts and prayers. Don't EVER give up hope!! The whole gang will be there if you need ANYTHING.
Love, Hilary & Brian

Brian & Hilary Earley - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ "Our Hannah and John" Hannah for the first time in your life this is something that we can't fix, figure out, or put a band-aid on! We feel helpless! Our hearts are broken and feel as though they are going to explode, our tears are endless, our love is stronger for you and John, and never ending. Let us be your strength, in turn, you will be ours! Love Mom and Dad

Mom and Dad - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear John and Hannah, There are no words I know of that could be of any comfort to you at this sad time in your lives. I only hope that the people who love you and are close to you are there for you with love and compassion. Sincerely, Mary Ann Snelson co-worker of Heather Sanders

Mary Ann Snelson - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Dear Hannah & John, I am so sorry for the loss of your precious Michael. You have been on my mind constantly these past few days. I know there is nothing that can be said or done to make the hurt any better, I wish there was. We lost our Lauren 8 years ago next month, due to complications at birth. There is no greater pain than the one we share. Please be supportive of each other. You will both have alot of bad days. Remember everyone grieves differently. There is no "normal" way to deal with this loss, just be there for each other. I would really like to talk to you, if & when you are ready. I didn't want to talk to anyone for a long time, & that is fine. But eventually it did help me to talk to other's who had been through the pain of the loss of their baby. Paula has my phone number, call ANYTIME! Lean on your family & friends. Remember, we not only have them to enjoy, but also to lean on in time's like these.
Sincerely, Laura Beth Blevins

Scott & Laura Beth Blevins - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ At a time like this no one knows what to say, especially me. The only thing I can say is that I'm sorry for both of you. Even after everything that has happened I still care alot about you guys. You are both special people to me and to Jaren. No one knows the answers as to why. I'm sure you've heard others say that Michael is in a better place now, but I can't agree with them, I can't think of a better place for him to be other than with you two. I know that you two are strong, but please take time for yourselves. If you feel sad be sad, if you're mad be mad, in my opinion you can be anything you feel and no one can blame you. I know that your whole world seems to have crumbled into a thousand peices, and I don't wanna impose, but if you need help picking up those peices all you have to do is call. Remember that I love you both and my heart hurts for you. Kenzie

Mackenzie - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Hannah & John, Both of you have been so brave & so strong throughout this whole thing. Continue to be brave & strong for each other. I'm proud of both of you. I love you both and I love Michael. I will think of him often. Love - Sis

Heather Sanders - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ THINKING OF YOU AT THIS TIME AND WISHING WE COULD EASE YOUR PAIN. OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. TIM AND SHERRIE BUCCI

TIM/SHERRIE BUCCI - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Hannah & John, I'm very sorry for your loss and great sadness. Keep your heads up and let me help if I can. Sincerely, Brian

Brian Sullivan - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ We are deeply sad for your loss. If there is anything we can do we will be there for you.

Jimmy and Koty McDole - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ HANNAH & JOHN, NO WORDS CAN SAY THE SORROW I FEEL FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES. MICHAEL TOUCHED ALL OUR LIVES THROUGH YOU TWO! I DID NOT MAKE IT TO YOUR SHOWER BUT I MADE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR HIM. I HOPE YOU WILL KEEP THIS TREASURE AND KNOW THAT HE WILL ALWAYS BE YOUR BEAUTIFUL FIRST BORN SON. MAY GOD BE WATCHING OVER YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THROUGH THIS TIME. MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. YOUR FRIEND TINA.

TINA HENSON - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ Our hearts, thoughts, and prayers go out to you and your family at this difficult time. We cannot express the sorrow we feel for you and your family. God Bless!

Tony, Patia, Lindsay, Erica Ellis - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ John & Hannah, Words cannot express the sadness I feel for you and your family. I continue to pray for all of you. Michael Andrew Mercer will be sadly missed. We may have never held him or laid our eyes on him, but we anticipated his arrival and we loved him. There will be a void in this office for-ever. Tammy

Tammy Woodcock - January 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW HOW VERY SORRY I AM TO LEARN OF YOUR RECENT LOSS....

Debby McCord - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I AM SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS

CHRISTINE SANDERS - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ John & Hannah: My prayers are with you and your family during this time of loss.

Tracy Maier - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ I'M SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

Brooke Leisure - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ HANNIE AND JOHN-THERE ARE NO WORDS FOR THIS TERRIBLE LOSS. JUST KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU.

LINDA MYERS - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Hanna and John: We love you and are praying for you! Phil. 4:8

Tim & Linda Smith & girls - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SV

“ Hannah and John, I am sorry for your loss.

Stacey Vandergrift - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Hannah and John there are no words to say but I am truly sorry about your lost. I have lost a child too he was 17 yr old. So I do know somewhat how you must feel of a lost child. But I can not say how I would feel of lossing a new born. Please keep the faith in God and your friends will help you. You and your family is in my prayers. I put you on our church pray list. I know god will give you strenth to get through this open your heart. We love you and care about you. Love your friend Jean in the Auditor Office.

Jean Hornberger - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PZ

“ Hannah & John- You are in my thoughts and prayers. If you need anything please let me help.

Pennie Zion - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ John & Hannah - Please accept our heartfelt sympathies. You both have been in our thoughts and prayers since we heard of baby Michaels passing. May God give you comfort and strength to face the days ahead. Your softball friends, Kevin & Debbie Moore and Matt & Brooke Bair

Kevin & Debbie Moore and Matt & Brooke Bair - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ We are very sorry for your loss. God bless you.

Mike & Jill Patterson Harris - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Dear Hannah and family, You have been in my thoughts and prayers since I read the paper yesterday. Please know that I am thinking of you and your family and praying for you during this time of trial. Ann Cullop

Ann Cullop - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ John & Hannah My deepest condolences in your loss. I am keeping you in my prayers.

Barb Kempfer - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Hannah, we are thinking about you daily in the office. You are in our thoughts and prayers. I am very sorry for your loss.

Michelle Johnson - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Our hearts go out to you and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Chris and Heidi Sollars - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Thinking of you often.

Bryan Williams - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Mike, Anita and family

Mike and Anita Brannam - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ John, Hannah, Paul & Betty: We were very saddened to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Dennis & Carla Epperson

Dennis Epperson - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ We are sad to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Bryan and Shelley

Bryan and Shelley Johnson - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We send our love and prayers during your time of sorrow.

Debra and Briana Curtiss - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Hannah and John, You're in my heart and prayers and I wish there was something I could do.

Dannette McPhearson - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ John and Hannah, my thoughts and prayers are with you both. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Lori Stinefield - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CI

“ May God Bless You, Thinking about you, I love you!!

CAROLYN ICE - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ With our deepest sympathies. Rodney, Rosetta, Janae and Alisha

Rodney & Rosetta Cummings - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ I am so sorry for your lost. May God be with you both during these times

Tim Geller - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Hannah, I'm so sorry to hear about your baby. My prayers are with you and your family at this time. We are wintering in Florida.
Joyce Scott

Joyce Scott - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ We are very sorry to hear about your loss. May God be with you to guide and lead you during this difficult time. Sincerely, Kevin, Pattie Mercer, Adam and Eric Robertson

Kevin and Pattie Robertson - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ JOHN,HANNAH,PAUL,BETTY&HEATHER WE HAVE DONE NOTHING BUT THINK OF YOU SINCE BABY MICHAEL'S PASSING. OUR LOVE AND THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU. LOVE ANDY AND YONDA

ANDY & YONDA HANNAFORD - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you both.

David & Jamie Zdanowski - January 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ With this note we send our heartfelt sympathies. Although we can't be there in person we will be there in our hearts. God bless you both. Your Uncle Roy

Roy and Joan Mercer - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Im so sorry about your loss I WILL KEEP YOU IN MY PRAYERS
CHRISTIE DOWLING-WILLIAMS

Christie Dowling-Williams - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ John & Hannah, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your baby son. I wish I could do something to ease your pain. Our hearts and thoughts go out to you and your family.

Jon & Brandi Cruz Campbell - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ There are no words to express how sorry I am about the loss of your baby. You are in my prayers during this difficult time. Love, your cousin Pam & Family

Pam Frazier - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Words can't say enough about how sad we are to hear about you and your husbands loss. Please know we are praying for you and your family. Love, Matt and Jana Banker

Matt and Jana Banker - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear John and Hannah, We are devastated to hear about the passing of baby Michael. Our sincerest condolences to you both and your family. Please know that although Michael isn't physically with you, he will always be a part of you mentally and spiritually. One glorious day you will all see him again as he will be waiting for you in heaven. Hannah we have been friends for years. I love you dearly. I wish I could do something for my friend, but I know somethings in life we cannot change. The only peace of mind I can send is to let you know that my dad will watch over baby Michael in heaven until you get there!

Stacey Smith Huffman and Family - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ To Betty Sanders, We really never got to know your daughters but our hearts go out to you and Hannah's and her husband loss. We don't always understand God's plan. We are praying for strength for all the families. Kay Wehner, Betty Hayes and Frances Anderson

Kay Anderson Wehner - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SF

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Stacey Smith Huffman and Family - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Hannah, I was so sorry to learn of your son's untimely passing to heaven. I enjoyed working with you in the prosecutor's office, know how hard you have worked, and that this was an awful shock. If there is ever anything I can do to help you I have left the practice of law and am teaching special ed students in Indpls, just call...649-5949. My thoughts are prayers are with you, Michael and your husband, John. Love, Janine

Janine S. Hooley - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My heart goes out to you.

Tracie Dowling Davis - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ We will pray daily for God to comfort you and give you strength through this heartbreaking time. We have friends that went through the same thing. Please accept our love and sympathy.

Carol and Mike Whetsel - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Our Love and sincere thoughts are with you at this time. The Harris Family- Lori, Art, Quentin, Royce, & Sullivan

Lori&Art Harris & Boys - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Our God walks with you each step of the way. Take his hand and let him lead the way. Our love and thoughts are with you John and Hannah. Debbie and Leroy

Debbie Burns -Leroy Harris - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Dear Hanna & family, We are so sorry to hear of your loss and are praying for you now and in the days ahead, if there is anything we can do, please let us know. With much love, the Gray family.

Ted & Cathy Gray - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY.

MR&MRS RONALD BORUFF - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ John & Hannah , We are so sorry about the loss of your baby boy. Our hearts and prayers go out to you.

Carl & Louise Whittaker - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I just read about your loss. I am sorry and my heart goes out to you. I will pray for you. Christy Petty wife of late Mark Petty

Christy Petty Holly Petty - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ John & Hannah, are hearts go out to you and your family.

Michelle & Mark Lewis - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ We are deeply saddened by the news of the baby. You guys mean alot to us and if there is anything we could possibly do let us know. Love, Lee and Kaisha

Lee and Kaisha Gray - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Johnny and Hannah we just wanted to let you know that you are in our prayers. If there is anything we can do let us know Jamie

Jamie & Michelle Kimm - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ John and Hannah, We were so terribly sorry to hear of your loss and hope that time will ease your pain. We will keep you in our prayers and thoughts for the days to come. With all our Love, Margie, Amanda, Chris, Tina and Cailee

Margie Mercer and Family - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ John and Hannah, Keeping you in thought and prayer as you grieve the loss of your son.

Chaplain Myra Raab - January 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM