



Fred Steven Thomas II

March 17, 1982 - September 12, 2020

“Start now. Start where you are. Start with fear. Start with pain. Start with doubt. Start with hands shaking. Start with voice trembling but start. Start and don't stop. Start where you are, with what you have. Just... Start”

I don't know who originally said this but my brother knew the words by heart. He had started and he had come so far. Unfortunately his battle has come to an end...

Fred Steven Thomas II, the last Thomas in this line died Saturday, September 12, 2020 at his childhood home. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Fred and Gertrude Thomas of Rubyville, OH and his maternal grandfather Malchom Davis of West Virginia. He was also preceded in death by his parents Fred (Steve) and Barbara Thomas of Jackson, OH.

Freddie is survived by his sister, Natasha (Davis) Shelton, his brother-in-law Kerry Shelton, and niece Ela Emily K. Shelton, all of Jackson, and his maternal grandmother, Barbara (Stapleton) Bentley also of Jackson, OH, as well as numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Please choose to remember Freddie this way. He was smart and funny. He was a talented athlete and a good worker. He was great with kids and loved to play with Ela and her animals. He was charming and liked by all that met him. When you think of him, remember those things.

Go out. Do good things. Make good decisions. Be stronger than this disease. Stronger than addiction. Do these things in his memory. Do these things for me.

Arrangements are being made through Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home of Jackson. Private graveside services for the family will be at the convenience of the family, where he will be laid to rest with his parents.

Donations can be made directly to the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home to help with final expenses. Memorial donations can also be made to Mike's Bridge House Sober Living Home in Athens, OH. Bless them as they continue the fight.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.mayhew-brownfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

JC

“ God broke the mold when he created you Freddie. The countless memories and laughs you brought to so many people will never be forgotten. You left a lasting impression on everyone you encountered and I was very blessed to have been your friend. Rest in Peace Freddie T 🙏
Jess Perdue

Jessica Colley - September 19, 2020 at 10:39 AM

CA

“ We were friends in school, both Cut from the same cloth, Even in Death your last words to me ring loud and Heavy Addiction can is not a choice, it is the Enemy it is the fight that you never quit ,even sober As I know you were We as warriors s are forever Brother's, U are with the Lord and now Free it this Struggle. You are Truly Missed Never Forgotten

Chris A.Matthews - September 16, 2020 at 07:12 PM

BC

“ Fred was one of the best people I knew.. he was a great friend and a great person. I know he's in a better place but will definitely miss him. Love you Freddy

Brandt Chafin - September 16, 2020 at 05:15 PM

BB

“ We was best friends from day #1 lived him to pieces and we was always there for one another good n bad times. I will miss him terribly !!

brittney bevard - September 16, 2020 at 04:01 PM



“ Today I learned of the passing of an old friend. I’ve never lost someone I considered a friend. He was someone who I can’t even remember the last time we spoke. It hit me and I didn’t know how to feel. I felt a strangeness I’ve never felt before. I honestly didn’t know how to feel or respond. I finally read his obituary, the obituary that many people had sent me before I even knew, because they knew he was my friend and I cried. I wished I would have reached out to see how he was doing. I recollected on memories I had shared with him through our years in high school. I remember the fun loving guy that he was, his smile, his good heart. I wanted to go through old pictures to find ones of him. I grabbed a stack and split them in half and the first picture I saw was of me and him at walkthrough at prom, my junior year, his senior year. I believe in signs from those that have passed on and I wholeheartedly believe he was letting me know he’s now okay. I pray that God welcomed him home with open arms. I’ll always remember you Fred! Prayers for all of those who loved him and are grieving his loss. 🙏❤️



Heidi Ousley - September 16, 2020 at 12:01 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Fred Steven Thomas II.



September 15, 2020 at 10:02 PM

KB

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss Natasha, bless your heart, you have been through so much. My thoughts and prayers are with you and Ella, I'm just in disbelief. I will always remember playing in the woods and cave behind your house, we had many great adventures back there. Rest in Heaven Freddy, till we meet again lil buddy 💙



Kelli Beatty - September 15, 2020 at 03:08 PM

KN

Natasha, I am so very sorry. Hugs

Kathy Frye Nino - September 15, 2020 at 05:29 PM