

# *Funeral Services*

OF

Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer

January 19, 1977 - April 18, 2004



*Thursday, April 22, 2004  
11:00 a.m.*

*Sweet Home M. B. Church  
Athens, Alabama*

*Rev. Troy Garner, Pastor  
Rev. Eugene C. English, Officiating*

## OBITUARY

### *In Loving Memory of Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer* January 19, 1977 – April 18, 2004

Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is God's purpose that prevails.

Proverbs 19:21



It was our plan that Chad stay with us forever, but it was God's purpose that Chad come home with Him. Chad's doctors told us when he had surgery that Chad was in God's hands, and that he had done all that he could do. Chad's recovery was great. He improved enough that they put him in a room on *Friday*, but *Sunday* morning God's purpose was fulfilled. He saw that Chad had been suffering. He saw that Chad had the best doctors he could have. He saw that the love and support from his family and friends was outstanding. He saw Thomas spending so many nights at the hospital. He saw Bernice going to the hospital every day as soon as she got off work, and spending some nights at the

hospital. He saw Jeremy trying his best to cheer Chad by giving him The Word. He saw each of you as you showed your love and support. He heard the prayers from all over the United States. But He decided that Chad needed the best physician ever. He knew that if Chad could just touch the hem of his garment, he would be made whole. He loved Chad just that much. He loved him so much that he allowed him the opportunity to let his family and friends tell him how much they loved him, to recall memories of times shared with him. Then God said, "It's Sunday morning," its time for my child to come home. Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer is at home, not 734 Sanderfer Road, but home with God where he hurts no more and is singing a new song.

**HALLELUJAH CHAD!**

Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer was born January 19, 1977 to Thomas and Bernice Sanderfer. They had one other son, Jeremy Rydell Sanderfer. Chad was a sweet-tempered, always smiling child. Chad attended The Barn Christian Academy, Rolling Hills and Heritage Christian School. The family relocated from Huntsville to Athens so that his father could be closer to Sweet Home, where he had become the pastor. Chad confessed his love of Christ at the age of twelve and joined Sweet Home M.B. Church under the leadership of his father.

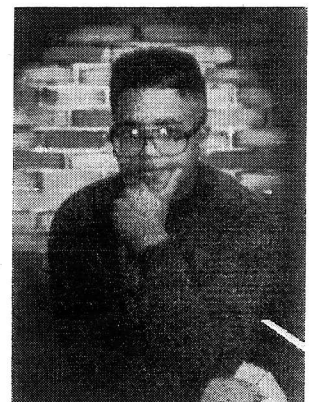
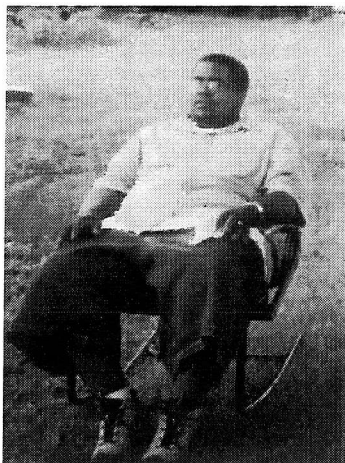
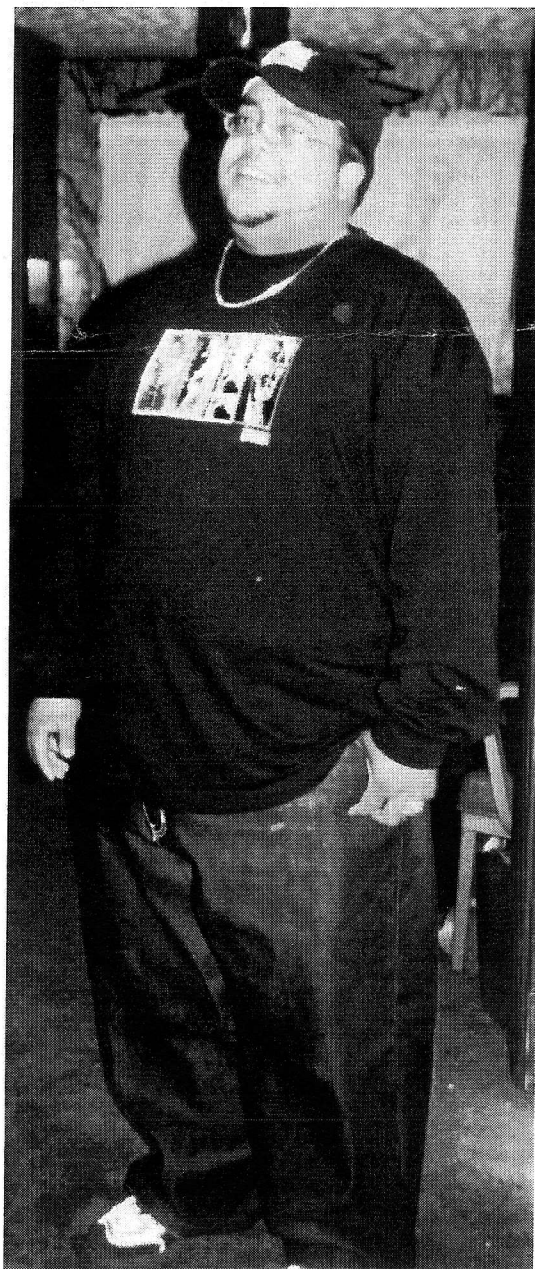
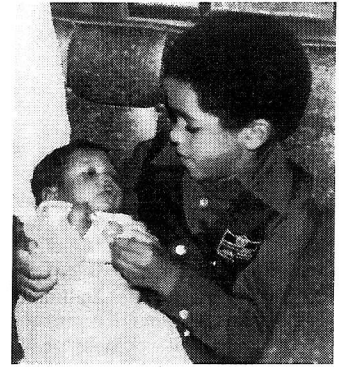
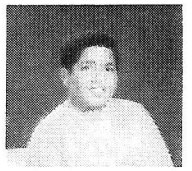
Chad attended Athens Middle School and Athens High School. During these years, Chad became involved in recreational sports. Chad was employed at Wendy's. Chad loved listening to music. He had composed and recorded a professional CD including his life song "Tryin to live". He also loved looking at old photos and reminiscing. Chad loved all his family and they loved him in return.

Chad leaves to mourn his passing a loving mother and father, Thomas and Bernice Malone Sanderfer. One brother, Jeremy Rydell Sanderfer. Grandparents: Thomas and the late Earnestine Adams Sanderfer; Dorothy Weaver (Pryor) Wiley and the late Walter Malone. Many aunts, uncles, relatives, and friends.



*From the parents:* The night Chad had surgery and the doctor gave us the prognosis, Thomas and I gave Chad back to God. Every day after that has been an added blessing from God. We thank God for the time we had with Chad.

# The many faces of Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer





## The Extended Family Tree of Chadwick Lamar Sanderfer Aunts, Uncles and First Cousins

### Thomas Sanderfer, Jr. Family

Sam (Doris) Sanderfer	Ronald Sam Jr.	Ronald, Jr. Stephanie Brandon Terrance Marcus Jarvisha
	Selena Jarvis	
Martha Jones	David	
Maxine Jobe	Tamara (Willie)  Kenny	Trey Courtney Kennedy Nyla
Earnestine (Leo) Williams	Bernadette (Lester)  Kim (Ercell)	Ciera Sydney  Ercell Omar
Faye (Leroy) Smith	Erica (Gerald) Eric	Joshua
Beverly (Henry) Patrick	Shawn (Kiya)	Kali Cierra
Robert (Violet) Sanderfer	Robin (James) Jonathan Brandon	James Jr.
Sharon Johnson	Brian Monique	
George (Loretta) Sanderfer	Sherree Jasmine	Isaiah
Kent (Regina) Sanderfer	Ashley Jordan	
Bonita (Timothy) Harkness	Hazel Jamal B'nard Malik Apyrl	

## Bernice Malone Family

Linda Yarbrough	Breona	
Brenda (Charles) Malone	Ramona Misty (Michael)	Tylan
Sharron (Mike) Woods	Tycheria Chris	

Chadwick my dear 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, my friend, but much more  
like a brother  
You're the soft spoken, sweet hearted, pictures & music lover  
Chad I get comfort knowing you knew how much  
you were loved  
You told me while in the hospital both sides of the family was a  
blessing from above  
I see you sitting in your chair in your room being the DJ  
I could request any song and within a minute I  
would hear it play  
I remember when we were little how we all used to play  
And how you comforted me at "The Barn" when I cried  
on our first day  
I remember me you and Kenny were together so much as kids I  
felt like we all were cousins  
And if it came down to it nobody could tell us we wasn't  
I remember Daddy Walter would tell us a riddle  
We all would be laughing and you would just give  
him a short giggle  
I remember sitting on the porch at 822, me, you  
Misty & Mona playing that's my car  
I remember almost everything near and far  
Chad we were more alike than I think you really knew  
I also love pictures, music, reminiscing, and have anxiety too  
I'm glad I know where you are and that you had to leave us  
Because you told Granny before the surgery you were  
resting in the arms of Jesus  
I cried the first couple of times I heard "Tryin to Live"  
So imagine now when I hear it how I feel  
But I thank you so much for immortalizing your  
self with your songs  
Now we can hear your voice anytime even though you are gone  
Chad I cannot believe I am sitting here crying writing  
this poem to you  
I had no doubt, I just knew you would make it through  
But I guess you did just like you said in your song  
"Cuz I know my day won't be long"  
I listen to your songs on repeat  
I sing the words with you so I know you were not scared &  
ready to take that leap  
Into heaven to get that peace, happiness, and joy  
I guess this is one way satan did get destroyed  
Because now you are with God and the devil cannot reach you  
But I wish it was another way and all this was not true  
But I know it was your and God's will for you to exchange this  
rain for light  
So I'll try to get it together and stop crying with all my might  
Chad this is your deliverance, you are no longer stuck in this life  
Now you are able to breathe, no more dealing with  
the pain and strife  
Chad you got the victory, you are not nervous or depressed  
He took away that anxious spirit and gave you rest  
Chadwick my 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, my brother, my friend  
I could go on forever like our love and memories, but this poem  
I have to end  
So Chad I love you and I'm glad you know  
So enjoy your peace I don't want to, but I gotta let you go!

**You will truly be missed  
Written with love by Breona Yarbrough**



The Order of Service  
Thursday, April 22, 2004

The Processional	
Master of Ceremony	Pastor Troy Garner
Selection	Choir
Prayer	Deacon Willie Moore First Baptist Church, Elkmont, Alabama
Scripture Old Testament	Pastor Anthony Stewart Greater Hope Church
New Testament	Pastor Antoyne Green New Life Church
Selection	Choir
Tribute	Jeremy Sanderfer (Brother)
Acknowledgements	Bro. Rydell Gordon Sis. Carolyn Williams
Selection	Choir
Eulogy	Pastor Eugene C. English Little Elk M. B. Church
Selection	Choir
Last Word	Thomas Sanderfer (Father)
The Recessional	The Family

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No matter where you have to sit in the church today, what's important is where  
you sit in the heart of the family!

### **PALLBEARERS**

Fredderick Wilson  
Kendrick Moore  
Terrence Wheeler  
Brian Gilbert

Shaun Williams  
Cory Potter  
Kelvin Maclin  
Chad Gilbert

### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Howard Moore, Jr.  
Pizzaro Rogers  
Marc Mahaley

Vince Cosby  
Bardius Douglas  
Brandon Weaver

### **First Cousins**

### **FLOWER BEARERS**

Shanitha Moore  
April Scott  
LaQuita Atkins  
Larhonda Malone

Renae Anderson  
Deshawnda Bailey  
Jamila Burwell  
Tiffani Weaver

### **HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS**

### **First Cousins**

**SPECIAL FRIEND - Breana Lipscomb**

### **INTERMENT**

**Little Elk M. B. Church Cemetery**

**Dinner served after interment at Sweet Home M. B. Church**

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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The family would like to express our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness shown to us during this difficult time. Whatever you have done to lighten our burden will forever be remembered. Our prayer is that God will richly bless each of you, and as you have given to us, may he give back double to you.

**Final Arrangements Entrusted to**  
**Peoples Funeral Home**  
**Athens, Alabama**