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Thomas “Tommy” Dustin Paugh, 50, of Clarendon, Texas, passed away on Saturday, March 28, 2026, in Amarillo, Texas.

Cremation and arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon. A private family service will be held at a later date to celebrate Tommy’s life.

Tommy was born on December 19, 1975, in Dallas, Texas, to Brenda Green and Milton Lynn Paugh. He was raised primarily in Dallas and also lived in North Carolina and Clarendon. For the past five years, Tommy made his home in Clarendon with his uncle, Jody Paugh, and aunt, Delinah Mills, a place he truly loved. While there, he formed a special bond and was “besties” with their granddaughter, Braelynn, bringing joy and laughter to those around him every day.

Tommy had a remarkable gift for lifting spirits. He never met a stranger and was always eager to help others. It was nearly impossible to feel sad in his presence—his warmth, humor, and kindness could brighten anyone’s day. He had a deep love for Batman and other Marvel superheroes, and in his own way, he became a hero as well. Through his attempt to become an organ donor, he earned the special nickname “Captain Heart-Light,” a name that reflects the emotional warmth and “light” often associated with the joy individuals with down syndrome bring to others.

He enjoyed cooking—especially eating the results—playing with his toys, and watching movies. He carried a beautiful childlike spirit throughout his life. His favorite film was *The Wizard of Oz*, which he watched with great joy time and time again. He also enjoyed “Day Hab” and being with his friends.

Tommy was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, whom he called his mom and dad, Leslie DeeWayne Paugh and Treva (Davidson) Paugh; his uncle, Pete Hanvey; his MawMaw, Brenda McConnell; and special friend, E.J. Durbin.



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He is survived by his father and stepmother, Lynn and Claudia Paugh; his mother, Brenda Green; his siblings, Ben Paugh and family, Kristi Chance, Amy VanDyke, Stacey Paugh, Lois Osteen and husband Terry, Lorrie Coats and husband Bill, along with their 4 children and 7 grandchildren; his uncles, Leslie Paugh, Jr., Louis Paugh, Lyle Paugh and wife Tori, Jody Paugh and fiancée Delinah Mills; and Clint McConnell and wife Kathy; his nieces and nephews, Maddison Hicks, and Debi Wilkey and husband Ryan; great-nephew, Lee Wilkey; and numerous cousins including Ashley Paugh and family, Jessica Holland and family, Amanda Lindsey and husband Kyle, Kimbra Mills and boyfriend Seth Fergeson and their daughter Braelynn, Jami McConnell and her son Joseph Coots, and Wade and Dally McConnell; great aunt, Judy Osburn; and many more family members and friends.

Tommy's life was a blessing to all who knew him. His laughter, love, and light will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Memorial donations can be made to Texas Panhandle Centers, 901 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX, 79106.



Tribute Wall

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Brenda Green lit a candle in honor of Thomas "Tommy".

In the years of my son Tommy's life, he brought joy beyond measure to a countless number of people. Though our paths of care were shared, my heart has always been full of love and gratitude. I want to thank all the Paugh family. And especially Jody & Delinah for staying extremely close as well as keeping me informed and for giving him the world he deserved. Blessings to all who were touched by Tommy's deep love and care for everyone. His spirit lives on, and I will always hold him in my heart.



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Elizabeth Flowers shared 7 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Tommy was the life of the party. He brought out the very best in all of us, even the childlike sides we thought were long gone. He taught us how to have fun in every moment and you could never be upset when he was around, he made sure of it. His beautiful soul will be deeply missed here but praise be to God that he is reunited with his loved ones where there is no more pain or suffering and that eventually we will all be together again. We love and miss you Tommy, until next time, old friend ❤️❤️❤️



April 10 at 10:28 AM



Amy Van Dyke lit a candle in honor of Thomas "Tommy".

When I think of Tommy, a LOT comes to mind, but I will always remember his big, beautiful heart and smile. He could light up any room and make your day with that smile. Tommy was the only one who called me Tammy, and I find it comforting now, knowing he picked it out for me only. Tommy, I pray you are flying high and spreading that smile for all of Heaven to see. I love you, bud - Love Amy (Tammy)



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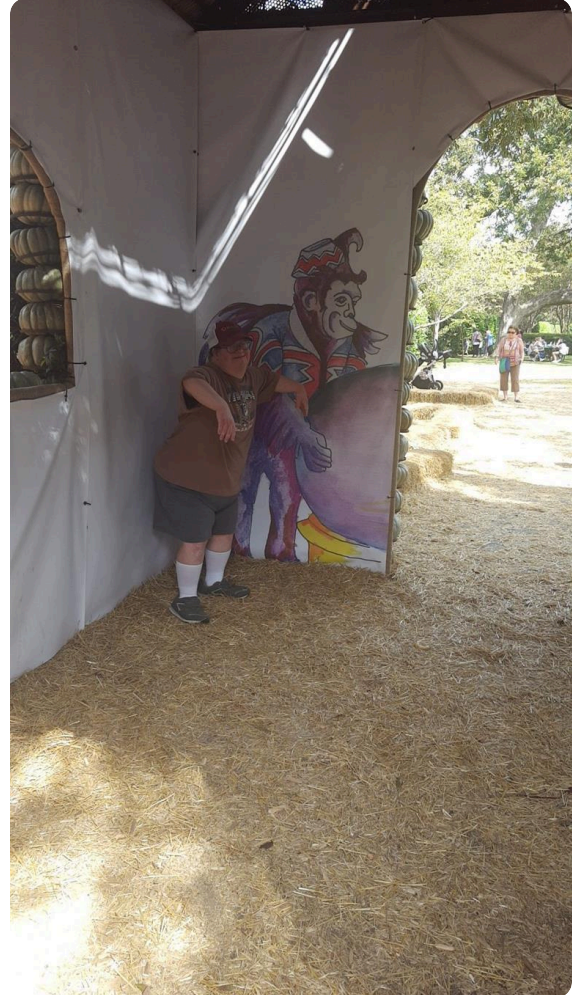
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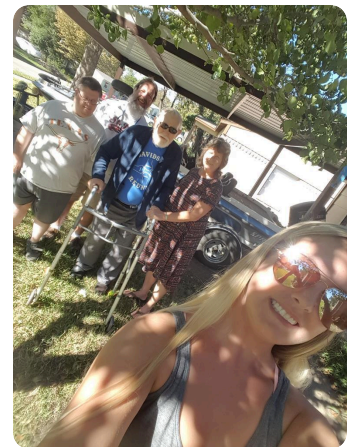




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