

Vanderbeck, James Hudson, II | 1970-2013

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James Hudson Vanderbeck II

James Hudson Vanderbeck II, 42, died, Monday, July 15, 2013, in Decatur.

Graveside service was July 19 at DFW National Cemetery in Grand Prairie with the Rev. Gary Sessions officiating. Pallbearers were Jeff Crossley, Brian Leverett, Chad Somerhalder, George Somerhalder and Bob Kempzell.

James was born Aug. 21, 1970, in LaGrange, Ind., to James Hudson and Mary Ann (Wilson) Vanderbeck. He married Michelle Rae Somerhalder Dec. 6, 1999, in Fort Worth. James retired from the United States Navy as a chief after more than 20 years of service.

He is survived by his wife, Michelle Somerhalder and daughter Celeste Vanderbeck, both of Decatur; father James Hudson Vanderbeck and wife, Patty, of Kalamazoo, Mich.; sisters Mary Murray of Sturgis, Mich., and Emma Vanderbeck of Kalamazoo; and brother Gavin Vanderbeck, also of Kalamazoo.

Memorials may be made to the family in support of Celeste Vanderbeck's future educational needs.

James was preceded in death by his mother, Mary Ann Wilson.