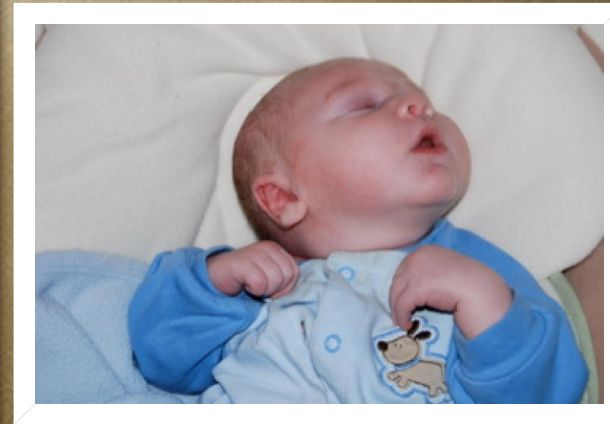


# *Memorial Book*



*In Loving Memory of*

**Wesley Graham Sayler**

*(January 23, 2008 - February 18, 2008)*



*"Perhaps they are not stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know they are happy."*

This memorial website was created to remember our dearest **Wesley Graham Sayler** who was born in **United States Alexandria, VA** on **January 23, 2008** and passed away on **February 18, 2008**. You will live forever in our memories and hearts.

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## **In memory of...**

Wesley Graham Sayler, infant son of April Dawn Edwards Sayler and Jeffery Barton Sayler of Stafford - born Wednesday, January 23, 2008 and passed away the morning of Monday, February 18, 2008.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by maternal grandparents - Richard and Debra Edwards of Woodbridge, VA; paternal grandparents - Wendell and Charlotte Sayler of Hagerstown, MD; maternal great grandmother - Dawn McCoy of Riverdale Park, MD; paternal great grandmother - Jettie Huffman of Lenoir, NC; and many loving aunts and uncles.

Interment and graveside service will be held on Friday, February 22nd at Azen Cemetery in Damascus, VA. A gathering honoring Wesley will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, 2008 at Mullins & Thompson Funeral Service - Stafford Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service.



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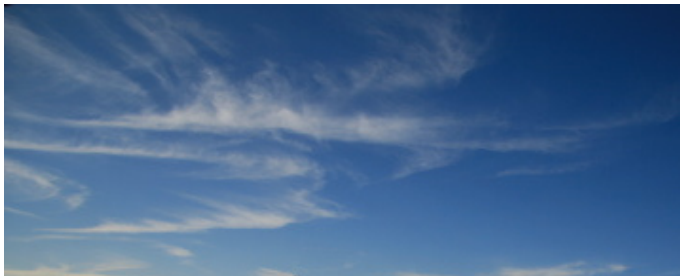
# *Gallery*

*so sweet, so unforgettable...*





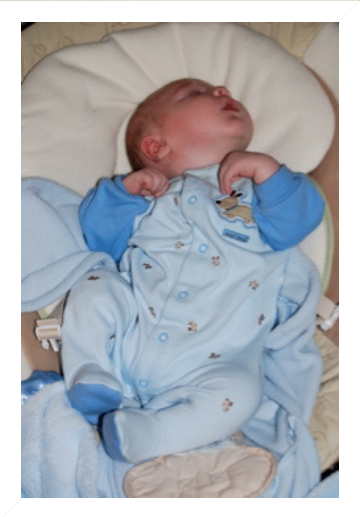
*Daddy so strong*



*The bluest blue February sky*



*My Angel Baby*



*Grandpa E. & Mommy*



*Grandpa E.*





*Neighboring Xmas Tree Farm*



*That's one big baby for 2 weeks old!*



*Sleepy yet proud*



*Cousin Lennon*



*Grandma E.*



*Little Man!*







*Cousin Lennon*



*Grandma E.*



*Wes' puppy: Bonnie*





*Three generations of Saylers*



*Aunt Lisa*



*Wes' puppy: Toshi*



*Grandma S. & Grandpa E.*



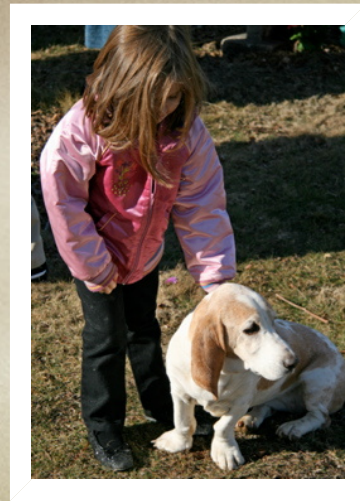


*Grandpa S.*





*Uncle Ben & Aunt Corri*



*Lennon the Dog Whisperer*



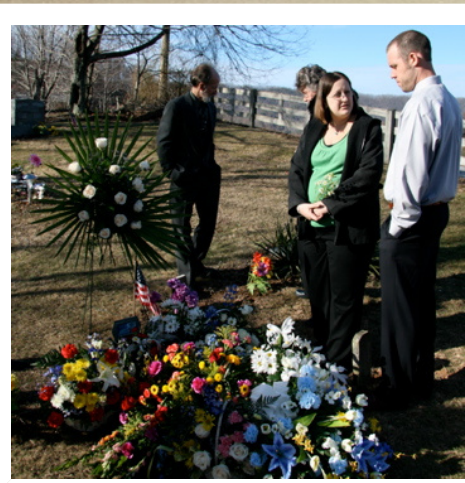


*Lennon & Wes' Angel Dog*





*Grandma E. & Mommy*



*Mommy & Daddy*



*Grandma S. holding down the kitchen*





*Cousin Lennon*









*Aunt Christine & Cousin Lennon*





*Mommy*









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# *Memorial Candles*

*our words, your light...*



03/07/2008

**Grandma and Grandpa**

*Good morning sweetheart  
<3 we miss you and love you  
so much ! sending our hugs  
and kisses to you sweet  
wesley xoxoxoxoxo*

03/06/2008

**Aidens mommy, Renee  
Kimbrell**

*Watch over those who love  
you. You are a beautiful  
angel*

03/04/2008

**Baby Ethan Lombard's  
Mommy**

*Thinking of you and wishing  
you the sweetest of dreams  
tonight little angel babe!  
Night Night <33*

03/03/2008

**Grandma and Grandpa**

*Hi Our Sweet Wesley, We  
Love You and Miss You Little  
Guy, We think about you all  
day, every day! Can't wait to  
hold you again!*

03/03/2008

**Mommy**

*Hey baby boy. looks like  
mommy has 2 jobs lined up...  
u mean more to us than any  
\$\$\$ but at least i can help  
daddy out now! miss u*

03/03/2008

**Rains Mommy**

*Good morning Wesley!!!  
Sending you lots n lots of  
hugs up to heaven sweetie!!*

03/01/2008

**Rain Arizolas Mommy**

*Hey Wesley! I just wanted to  
come and light this candle  
for you! BIG HUGS Sweetie!*

03/01/2008

**Baby Ethan Lombard's  
Mommy**

*Hi baby Wesley!! Sending  
big hugs to you and your  
sweet Mommy!! You are so  
very loved little baby <33!!*

02/28/2008

**Rain Arizolas Mommy**

*Lighting this candle for you  
cutie! Have a sweet  
Thursday! You and your  
family are in my thoughts  
and prayers!*

02/27/2008

**Ethan Lombard's  
Mommy**

*Awww Wesley, the poem  
your Grandma wrote for you  
is truly the most heart felt  
poem I've ever read. Sending  
big ((HUGS)) <3*

02/27/2008

**Baby Ethan Lombard's  
Mommy**

*Oh sweet angel! The picture  
of your little cousin Lennon  
feeding you is just the  
sweetest! You are so loved  
little baby! <33*

02/27/2008

**Katie Ennis**

*April & Jeff, My thoughts  
and prayers are with you. I  
can't wait to get to heaven to  
meet your beautiful boy.*



02/27/2008

**Richard & Selennia  
James**

*This candle will continue to  
burn for Wesley Graham,  
just as the love in our hearts  
will live on.. Love & Hugs*

02/27/2008

**Grandma and Grandpa**

*Our sweet little Wesley, We  
miss you so much! We are  
comforted having seen the  
beautiful mountain where  
you were laid to rest*

02/25/2008

**Ryan's Mommy**

*Wesley is such a beautiful  
angel. Your family is in my  
thoughts and prayers.*

02/25/2008

**Ethan Lombard's Daddy!**

*Good morning! You, Ethan  
and the other angel babies  
are sorely missed but loved  
by all who know you directly  
or indirectly!*

02/24/2008

**Baby Ethan Lombard's  
Mommy**

*Hi Sweet Baby Wesley! - I  
added you to Baby Ethan's  
Angel Friend's page.  
Thinking of you often little  
one! <3*

02/24/2008

**Vie, Ariana, and Josiah**

*You had two wonderful  
parents who loved you very  
much. You will be missed  
and loved forever!*

02/23/2008

**Ida-Laurinda**

*Heaven is a much lovelier  
place now that Wes is there.  
I'm grateful to God for  
sending one of his angels to  
bless our lives...*

02/23/2008

**Lee & Shirley Cherry-  
Hag, MD**

*Our prayers are with you as  
you grieve the loss of your  
precious Wesley Graham.  
What a beautiful baby! May  
God Bless your family.*

02/23/2008

**Stacia Hughley**

*April & Jeff, You are in my  
thoughts and prayers. May  
God Bless and comfort you  
all and your family.*

02/23/2008

**Stormi & Jason Clouse**

*Our hearts go out to your  
family. We would have loved  
to meet you little guy!*

02/23/2008

**Angel Isabella Carvalho's  
Mom**

*Very sorry for your loss,your  
child is so beautiful,you are  
in my prayers,i lost my child  
too she was 21.God bless  
your heart*

02/22/2008

**Grandma & Grandpa**

*You brought us so much joy  
in three short weeks. We will  
love you and miss you  
forever.*

02/22/2008

**Ethan Delgado's Mom**

*My thoughts and prayers for your family during this difficult time. May your joyful memories bring your family peace. God Bless.*

02/22/2008

**Susana Regan /girlof Margarita**

*Thoughts and prayers to you and yours. God Bless Susana M. Regan Big sis to Linda Daughter to Margarita*

02/22/2008

**Auntie of Baby Raymond Hentges**

*My condolences to the family at such a heartbreaking time*

02/21/2008

**Anonymous**

*May you rest in peace, beautiful Angel. God Bless your family*

02/21/2008

**VIRGINIA**

*My thoughts and prayers go out to you*

02/21/2008

**Auntie Christine**

*I hope you feel the love that we all have for you... We will miss you forever little buddha baby.*

02/21/2008

**Baby Ethan Lombard's Mommy**

*Sending warm thoughts & prayers to all who love and miss you sweet little angel baby! <33 God bless <33*

02/21/2008

**Wife of George W Reid Jr**

*You beautiful angel,seeing your face made me smile.May your memory bring smiles to all those who love and miss you...*



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*Condolences*

*from the deepest of our hearts...*

Hi April and Jeff,

You both blessed our lives with a beautiful grandson. We were so excited to have a second grandchild join our family. It was perfect! Just like you said,"a granddaughter and a grandson!"

Then the worst thing imaginable, Wesley left us to be with the Angels. It's hard to believe that 3 short weeks could bring us so much joy and in the blink of an eye it was all gone. But the joy he brought us will live on, forever! You both were the most perfect parents! You both made us proud! Wesley was blessed to have you both as his parents. We all will love him and miss him forever!!! He was so precious and so perfect it is hard to think what could have gone so terribly wrong. We now know that he has been called home to be with family that have passed before him. We are sure that they are enjoying him as much as we did. We are looking forward to being with him and dreaming of the day when we can hold him again.

This message brings with it my condolences over the loss of a precious child. When Christine came into work before the birth of Wesley, she was so excited to share in the joy that her sister and the rest of the family were experiencing. After a few rough times before delivery, she was finally able to proudly announced the birth of her nephew to the office, everyone was so happy! It saddens me to hear of the passing of such a beautiful young boy, but in the wisdom of my elders I know that he was needed elsewhere, and is at peace. My heart and soul are extended to the parents, friends and family of Master Sayler, may his spirit live forever.



**Megan Rains Mommy**

**Im So Sorry**

**February 28, 2008**

Im soo sorry about the loss of your beautiful babyboy! I know this is the worst thing and no parent should ever have to go through this! I also lost my angel Oct 20th 2007! If you ever need to talk feel free to email me selesprincess@yahoo.com ! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers!

**patty conn**

**A mom also**

**February 27, 2008**

I am so sorry to hear about your little one, it is sad I know, I had a son who is with God Also, my Joey would of been 38 this year.

When I see this kind of sad news it reminds me of my son,I just want you to know you are not alone,There is only our prayer's to help you over come this sad time,I will pray for you😊.

**Richard & Selennia  
James**

**Love You...**

**February 27, 2008**

April & Jeff, I know words never capture our true feelings but I want to express how very sad we are for your loss. We knew how much you wanted a child and thought WOW what wonderful parents you would be... Debbie told me you guys were the "perfect" parents!😊 Wesley was lucky to have you both for the 26 days. I know you both will rise above the pain, hurt and loss and try again to be the best Mommy & Daddy for your future Sayler baby.

Love & Prayers

**Imani**

**Sympathies**

**February 26, 2008**

Hello, My mother (Shirley Cherry) told me about the loss of your child. I am soo sorry to hear this but i am

praying for you through this hard time. It is so hard to lose a child, God Bless.

***Diane & Patrick Kane***

***Friends***

***February 26, 2008***

Dear April & Jeff, We were so sad to hear the news about little Wesley. We wish you strength during these hard times and we're sure you're surrounded by loved ones. Let us know if there is anything we can do. We will definitely keep you in our prayers every day.

***Ethan Lombard's  
Daddy***

***Parent of an Angel Babby***

***February 25, 2008***

I know the pain you are going through. It makes you angry. This isn't the way it was supposed to be. But just know that Wesley is in a wonderful place where he feels no pain or sadness. He looks down on you and longs to be with you but just know that the time will come. For now though, take in all of the memories you guys had with him. His coos, his cries, the feeling of his skin. These are things that will never leave you. You are here to keep his memory alive and don't forget...just because he isn't here on Earth, you can still teach him and talk with him. He sees and hears you. My boy Ethan is up there with him and ,while I wish they were with us here, I am honored to have Wesley with him.

***Jeniffer & Rob & Kimari***

***Friend***

***February 24, 2008***

April & Jeff, i'm so sorry for your loss. Wesley is soooooo adorable! I'll keep you in my prayers and heart. God Bless You and your family. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you!!!



***Patricia Henty & family***

***Deepest Sympathies***

***February 24, 2008***

We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

***Lee & Shirley Cherry-  
Hag, MD***

***Family Friends of the Saylers***

***February 23, 2008***

Dear Jeff & April, Wendell & Charlotte, Lisa, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time in the loss of little Wesley Graham. Jesus said: "Suffer the children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of heaven." Luke 18:16. We look forward to meeting Wesley in the new earth at the resurrection, if we all are faithful. May you look to God to get you through this most difficult time. May God Bless you and keep you, is our prayer.

***Crissy***

***Friend***

***February 23, 2008***

My heart goes out to your and your family. I wish you peace in the times to come.

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# *Memories*

*all the gray you turned into colors...*



## ***Mommy***



Your grandma Edwards is a wonderful lady. She was just as happy to meet you as she was to meet her grand-daughter - your cousin Lennon. How perfect it must have been for her to have both a grand-daughter and grand-son. Everyone had to stand in line to hold you. Your grandma never wanted to let you go!

*CAPTION: Please read Grandma Edwards' poem to Baby Wesley on this site.*

## ***Mommy***



I remember your uncle Ben when your cousin Lennon was born. He was a new man - a new daddy! He loved the whole hospital experience and ran through the halls saying he was ready to do it again. Your aunt Christine begged to differ of course. LOL The day you were born, he was just as happy and just as proud. I of course wish I had more photos of you than I do but I'm so happy that someone took this photo of you with your uncle. Clearly you two were having a moment because in those first days of your birth, you very rarely were awake let alone looking up at someone like this!

Your uncle Ben loved you so much! Of all the people who gave us their words when you passed, it was uncle Ben who touched your Mommy and Daddy the most.

*CAPTION: Please read Ben's tribute to Baby Wesley on this site.*

## ***Mommy***

The craziest memories I have are of your birth. I always felt that you'd be born sooner than you were and by no means did we expect you to be two weeks late! I go into the hospital to be induced and 33 hours later, you still didn't want to come! What was that all about? I keep telling myself that it was me and not you. If it was you, I guess you were just too comfortable to leave. I know this world is a strange crazy place but your Daddy and I were so excited to meet you. If it was me, it was my body and no matter what the doctors did - my body was just not prepared to make the necessary changes to deliver you naturally.

Finally on the second day, I decided to go under the knife and deliver you by c-section. I don't recall you crying at birth but I remember like it was yesterday what the doctor said after weighing you. "He's 10lbs 4.5ozs." I was looking at your Daddy at that time - I immediately turned my head to the nurse and said "excuse me?!" I was never so thankful to learn how large you were and how confident I finally was with my decision to have a c-section. Maybe you were just TOO BIG to come out. In hindsight, I couldn't be more happier with how you were finally brought to be with us. The surgery was easy, the recovery was easier than expected. I think the hardest thing was the first few days. It's a complicated task trying to hold a baby, let alone breastfeed when your gut is mush and you're on pain killers! But we made it through those hard days and were fortunate enough to spend every waking moment (and sleeping one) together while I completed the rest of my recovery.

The doctors said I wasn't allowed to climb stairs and needed to stay at home taking it easy the first two weeks. It was just you and me baby! The next and sadly last week, we were luckily together again while Mommy was trying to figure out what in the world was wrong with your little belly. Mommy and Daddy even bought you new fancy bottles and formula hoping that it would make things easier on your sensitive



digestive system. I'm just so incredibly thankful to have been home with you. That was some quality time and I loved getting to know you. I miss you baby boy!

## ***Mommy***



I just found a photo of your cousin Lennon feeding you. She fed you a lot and said that was the only way she could help. I always tried to get her to help with the diapers but she was so worried you'd pee on her. LOL See how Bonnie is sitting nearby? She was always so concerned...

## ***Mommy***



While I would have loved to have known if you truly did love dogs, you were definitely loved by all the dogs around you - specifically our doggies! Bonnie is our big dog and she was your protector. It didn't matter where I was with you, she always sat on my foot with her back facing us, while she observed all things going on around us. I think her favorite time was when I sat in the glider to feed you. She was pretty clever with how she managed to sneak in tons of kisses on you - not once did you cry but you definitely squirmed confused by the wet tongue that was lapping up your skin.

## ***Mommy***



January 27th was the first day you met my friend Veronique (Vie). I just had to take a photo of the two of you. Aunt Vie is such a fun and smart girl. She's very photogenic and loves to sex it up. I joked with her while taking this photo by reminding her that she was holding a baby and NOT a martini glass. She was more concerned with how "hot" she was in the photo that your poor hat got smooshed on your head! I do adore this photo of you two. You had a great day that day.

## ***Mommy***



For some reason, you never seemed to like going potty. Whether you were grunting, whining, curling up your body, or crying from gas - you just weren't happy when it came to pooping. I'd change your diaper and while I had your legs up, placing the diaper beneath you - you'd let out a stinky fart and I'd laugh! You did this a few times to Mommy and one time, one of those farts wasn't alone! You farted so hard that you shot poop all over the changing table, wipes, and WALL!!! Your Daddy was always so lucky to miss out on these opportunities by minutes of time. This particular time, Daddy had just left for work. I thought your Daddy had the stinkiest farts, then I

thought it was your puppy Bonnie who had the stinkiest - who would have thought that it was YOU all along! I miss you fart head, my little stinker!

*PHOTO CAPTION: Aunt Vie giving a try at changing you.*



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# *Life Story*

*every hour, every thought, every smile...*

## ***January 22, 2008***

Two weeks past my due date and we headed in to the hospital for a 6am induction. Checked into the room and was hooked up to fetal monitoring equipment. Patrice, my midwife, came in at 8am to chat with us. I was given an induction gel to soften my cervix once every four hours - we did this twice. The entire eight hours I was on the gel, I had amazing contractions. My contractions were 40 to 60 seconds apart and lasted well over a minute each. The gel was helping to soften or thin my cervix yet it wasn't happening fast enough in order to aid in dilating it.

Right about the time when we could have done the gel one more time, Patrice suggested that we start the Pitocin which is another induction method yet it's administered by IV and its meant to bring on contractions. I was given two bags of Pitocin (I believe) and while I was in a great deal of pain, my contractions became iratic and unpredictable. Those four hours were miserable and resulted in my cervix thickening back up and it only dilated a max of 1.5cm. I spent sixteen hours drugged up and nothing resulted.

Around 10pm, the next midwife on shit came in to explain our options. We could have a c-section or I could basically sleep on it and restart the next morning. Apparently it isn't uncommon to have two or three days to get into active labor. I didn't feel like I was ready to give up and I was determined to have my first birth be natural. The midwife said I could shower, eat, and sleep in order to prepare for round two and that often times that's all the body needs to get into gear. The idea of eating was what interested me the most! :) They removed the Pitocin drip and gave me another application of gel, similar to the induction gel I was given earlier in the day. I was told that it would help me to sleep. I was even given two Ambien to get to sleep as well. I didn't eat my meal until 1130pm and was in bed trying to get some ZZZs at 12am.

## ***January 23, 2008***

Born in Alexandria, VA on January 23, 2008.

## ***February 18, 2008***



Passed away on **February 18, 2008.**

*Our Deepest Sympathy*

[www.last-memories.com](http://www.last-memories.com)