



## Jonathan "Jonny" Craig

March 1, 2024

“You have the spark, the light, the gift that radiates out from heart and soul, and in that presence of divine energy anything is possible.” -Jonny Craig

Jonathan William Craig (Jonny), 43, was born on November 1, 1980, in Slidell LA, to James and Sunnilee (Greene) Craig. He grew up with his family in Terrell TX. Jonny is survived and remembered by his parents, Sunni and Jim Craig of Terrell; his brother Ryan Craig (Laura Almaguer) of Bellevue WA; his sister Chelsea Craig Whitfield (Adam) and his nephews Watson and Miles Whitfield, all of Hideaway TX; the light of his life, his daughter Brighton Maya Craig (and her mother, Shannon Chaffin) of Terrell, and his dearest sidekick and force of nature, his dog Prince. We are all deeply saddened by his very sudden and unexpected passing at his home in Terrell on March 1, 2024. Growing up in Terrell, Jonny graduated from Terrell High School in 1999, where he was an accomplished musician and member of the THS Band and Stage Band. With his treasured friends, he enjoyed many grand and outrageous adventures, most notably with Boy Scout Troop 391 where he achieved the rank of Eagle. After graduation, Jonny attended Texas A&M for a time, and then went on to complete his education at the University of North Texas, where he graduated with a B.S. degree in Emergency Administration and Planning in 2009.

After graduation, Jonny was instrumental in helping launch a new and successful family business in 2010, Budget Blinds of Terrell, overseeing

installation and repair services for 11 years and providing meticulous customer care with his trademark humor and kindness. At the beginning of 2023, Jonny began a new enterprise as the owner/operator of Recyclops of Terrell, offering curbside recycling services for the residents of Kaufman County. This new endeavor combined his great love and concern for the natural world with an opportunity to contribute to environmental stewardship in our community, which will continue after his passing under new leadership.

Jonny's great love of music led him to a community of friends that became very dear to him through the years as part of his spiritual path. He felt a calling to create music with the purpose of elevating consciousness, and with these friends created a number of themed gatherings to share music, including his own compositions – memories he treasured.

Jonny will be remembered and cherished by those closest to him for his true essence, a kaleidoscope of sensitivity, empathy, creativity, and humor – all qualities so evident in his beloved daughter Brighton, who he loved without measure. To honor Jonny's memory, treasure your children, love your tribe, tirelessly search for your purpose, plant something, and perhaps adopt a dog. Shine on, Jonny! How we will miss you.

A celebration of his life is being planned for 5:00pm, Saturday, March 23, 2024 at Country Charm Events. 9492 County Road 2470, Royse City, TX, 75189 where all are invited to share their stories and many memories of Jonny. Memorial donations may be made to The Nature Conservancy at <https://www.nature.org/en-us/>

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR **23**. 5:00 PM (CT)

Country Charm Events  
9492 CR 2470  
Royse City, TX 75189

# Tribute Wall



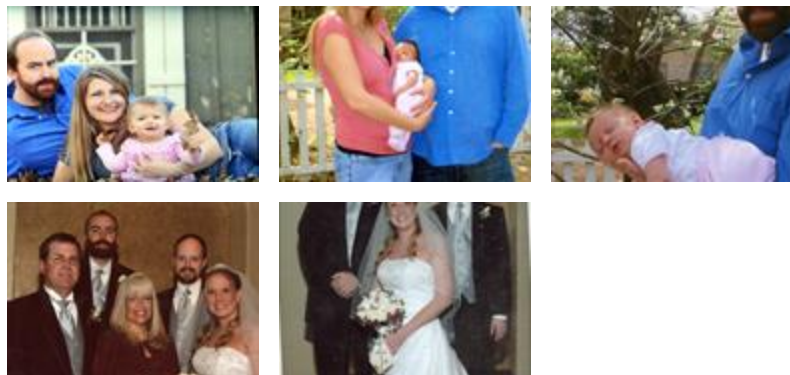
“ Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - April 04, 2024 at 11:52 AM



“ 187 files added to the album Memories Album



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - March 29, 2024 at 03:07 PM



“ Love, David, Ginny and Matthew Roe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.

Love, David, Ginny and Matthew Roe - March 23, 2024 at 12:18 PM

LR

“ Love, David, Ginny and Matthew Roe purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.



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**Love, David, Ginny and Matthew Roe** - March 23, 2024 at 12:18 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.



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March 23, 2024 at 10:53 AM

KS

“ Dear Jim, Sunni, Chelsea, Ryan, Brighton. & family,  
We were so sorry to hear about Jonny! You are in our thoughts and prayers!  
With love & deepest sympathy,  
Karo & Wilson Stewart



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**Karo Stewart** - March 20, 2024 at 10:18 AM

JV

“ Jackie V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.

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**Jackie V.** - March 15, 2024 at 07:15 PM

RA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Roxana Alarcon - March 14, 2024 at 09:30 PM

RA

“ Roxana A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.

Roxana A. - March 14, 2024 at 09:25 PM

MF

“ Margie and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.



Margie and family - March 10, 2024 at 01:05 PM

DG

“ Dan & Rachel Turner (and girls) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.

Dan & Rachel Turner (and girls) - March 09, 2024 at 07:32 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.*



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March 09, 2024 at 07:32 PM



“ *John, Jennifer, Jason & Jessica Moore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.*

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**John, Jennifer, Jason & Jessica Moore** - March 09, 2024 at 02:29 PM



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.*



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March 09, 2024 at 02:29 PM



“ *Donna And Kassandra Carreno lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig*



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**Donna and Kassandra Carreno** - March 08, 2024 at 07:58 PM

DR

“ Donna R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jonny" Craig.

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**Donna R.** - March 08, 2024 at 10:17 AM