



Andrew Douglas Ridge

March 28, 1984 - June 12, 2012

Saturday, June 16, 2012

In gratitude

Andrew Ridge was born in New Braunfels, Texas, on March 28, 1984. He died doing what he loved - flying helicopters - in East Wenatchee on Tuesday. Andrew left us far too early, but he lived with an undying curiosity and zest for life that gave him experience and wisdom far beyond his 28 years. He tried out life like he tried on shirts - when one role didn't feel right, he would try something else, until he found one that fit. He found his fit in a passion for flying, and he pursued it with a fierce determination and an inner strength that led to his certification as a commercial helicopter pilot and instructor.

Andrew had many great passions in his life - his family, his love of flying, and the love of his life, Sarah Treanor. He would go anywhere and do anything for a friend, and would lend comfort and a wisdom borne of his life experiences to those in need. If he wasn't in the cockpit of a helicopter, he could often be found in the outdoors, on his mother's property in Seguin or his father's in San Angelo. He was a good, loyal, and fair man, and will be greatly missed by many.

His parents join in thanking the kind people of East Wenatchee and

Wenatchee, who cared for and comforted him so soon after the accident. To them we send our love and eternal thanks. To all of Andrew's many friends, we can only say that we can all remember that great smile, that way of attacking life head-on with optimism and a curious and open mind, and that great and caring heart that we will miss so much.

Douglas B. Ridge

On behalf of the parents

and family of Andrew Ridge,

Austin, Texas

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“ Although I did not know your son, my heart aches for you. I have 4 son's and cannot know the full pain. It sounds like you found much joy from his life. You definitely understood your son's passion. Please accept my condolences.
Our friend Jerry Hickman lived very close to the accident and I know he feels much the same.

Penny Brockwell - June 19, 2012 at 10:02 PM