

James Horace Brock and Janet Harwell Walker

## **JAMES HORACE BROCK**

Oct. 12, 1960 - Living

James was born in Chicago, Illinois, on October 12th, 1960. He is the son of Jimmie Leonard Brock, and Lenora N. Faircloth. They had been in Chicago about a year when James was born prematurely. The weather didn't agree with him, as his lungs weren't fully developed when he was born, so the family relocated to N.W. Florida. They lived in Panama City, then later moved to Milton, which James calls his hometown, when he was 8 years old.

His grandfather, Horace E. Brock was nicknamed "Bud" and James acquired the moniker "Little Bud." He attended Highland Park Elementary thru third grade, and Bagdad Elementary thru sixth grade. His parents were divorced when he was 16 years old, and his mother moved to Louisiana. He graduated from Milton High School in 1978, and joined the U.S. Air Force shortly after he turned 18. He served 4 years at Barksdale AFB in Shreveport La. as an "In-flight Aerial Refueling Operator." During this period from graduating high school thru his honorable discharge in 1983, he was married and divorced twice.

After his discharge, he lived and worked in various places. He had decided early in his teens that he would work in as many varied jobs as he could, so that he could experience as many different environments as possible. He was in New Orleans near his mother for a couple of years while he worked offshore, then he moved back to Florida where he managed a dry cleaner's for about 1½ years in Pensacola. In September of 1989 he went to work at Walt Disney World in Orlando, as an "onstage" area supervisor. While there he was privileged to meet many famous TV and movie stars, as well as knocking around with the "big cheese" himself, Mickey Mouse. His mother passed away during this time.

He moved back to Milton in 1998. Shortly following his move back home, he was saved, and started attending church at Margaret Street Church of Christ.

In July of 1999 he met Janet Harwell Walker who was born November 10, 1956 in Ashburn, GA.,. He met her on the internet. She was was living in

Independence, MO., They fell hopelessly in love. In April of 2000 they were married in a private ceremony in the Old Courthouse in Independence. He has been working for TransAmerica since moving there to be with her. She works for Hospital Hill Health Services Corporation, and has been there for seven years.

They currently reside in Independence with her children, Jason and Jessica Walker. His hobbies include playing the guitar, reading, watching football and NASCAR races. Janet enjoys playing her piano.

Written by: Jimmie Leonard Brock, father of James Horace Brock. 2002