

Russell Franklin Overheu

Services for Russell Franklin Overheu, 42, of Austin, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on May 29, at Cook-Walden Funeral Home, Lamar location. Burial will be at Cook-Walden Capital Parks Cemetery, 14501 N I-35, Pflugerville, directly following the funeral services. Russell was the youngest son of William and Mary Overheu born on July 25, 1966, in France. He passed away on May 21, 2009. Russell was commissioned into the Austin Police Department in January 1994, and was promoted to detective in June 2000. Prior to his commission, Russell was a member of the Travis County Sheriff's Office. He received numerous commendations throughout his career with the Austin Police Department. These include 25 commendations, the Distinguished Service Cross, Safe Driving Ribbon with 3 Silver Stars, Honorable Conduct (10 years), Master Peace Officer Ribbon, Certificate of Recognition, and 2 Certificates of Appreciation. Growing up, Russell and his brothers, Richard and Andrew, enjoyed weekend fishing. He had many favorite activities such as fishing, cycling, martial arts, and mountain biking. Russell also enjoyed playing guitar and driving Mopars. His true passion was spending time with his loving wife of 18 years, Stacie, and their beloved black labs, Sophie, Sadie, Wavy, Booster, and Lady. He was preceded in death by his K-9 partner of 5 years, Rooster. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made on behalf of Russell Overheu to the Greater Austin Crime Commission, P.O. Box 27016, Austin, TX 78755, to support the Austin Police Department K-9 Units. Visitation with the family will be from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on May 28 at the funeral home.