



Johnny Ray Bradshaw

October 5, 1961 - September 29, 2019

Funeral services for Johnny Ray Bradshaw, 57, of Giddings, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 3, 2019 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings, Texas with Pastor William Plotts officiating. Burial will follow at the Sanders Cemetery in Knobbs Springs, Texas. Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home.

Johnny Ray Bradshaw was born October 5, 1961 in Austin, Texas to Joe Bradshaw and Joyce (Guynes) Bradshaw. He was a graduate of Lexington High School. Whether he was tinkering on cars at Ed's Garage or working in the oil fields, Johnny has always been a hard worker. He finally found his niche in life when he moved to Memphis, TN for a few years and became a plumber. He could pretty much do and fix anything.

It was very rare to see Johnny without a smile, but it was even more rare to walk away from a conversation with him without wanting to smile. His happiness was contagious, but it was his dedication to his family that defined him. You couldn't find a kinder or more genuine father, husband, or son. His selflessness and generosity created a family that loves him beyond words and will continue to love him beyond this lifetime.

Johnny married Nancy Lee Beard on September 22, 1989 and became a stepfather and friend to her children. Johnny was a loving father, husband, grandpa, son, and brother. But perhaps, most of all, he was our friend, someone whose light and joy remind us that good people do exist. Johnny was always thinking about what he could do for others, whether that's working on the house or cooking his granddaughter's favorite ribs. It will be these small meaningful moments, a car ride through the country, a conversation on the porch, eating hot peanut butter cookies and watching football, that will be remembered and missed the most.

We lost our Johnny on Sunday, September 29, 2019 in Austin, Texas. He passed away in the arms of his loving wife.

He is preceded in death by his father, Joe Bradshaw; his brother, Roy Lynn Bradshaw, and his stepson, Bill Adrian Beard, Jr.

Johnny is survived by his wife, Nancy Lee Bradshaw of Giddings; son, Jody Ray Bradshaw and future daughter-in-law Katelyn Nicole Houston of Giddings; daughter, Sandra McClain of Tennessee; sons, Daniel Shayne Beard and his wife, Donna of Colorado, and Jeremy Glake Beard and his wife Tonya, of Hockley, Ann Beard of Tennessee; his mother, Joyce Bradshaw of Giddings; two brothers, Joe Neal Bradshaw and his wife, Robin of Briggs, and Tony Brent Bradshaw and his wife, Misty of Dime Box; 19 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 2 honorary grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jody Ray Bradshaw, Daniel Shayne Beard, Jeremy Glake Beard, Michael Shayne Beard, Jesse Dalton Beard, and Tony Brent Bradshaw. Honorary pallbearers will be Joe Neal Bradshaw and Austin James Beard.

Langston Hughes wrote "I loved my friend. He went away from me. There's nothing more to say. The poem ends, Soft as it began— I loved my friend."

Memorials may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to assist the family with funeral expenses.

Cemetery

Sanders Cemetery

County Road 307
McDade, TX, 78650

Events

OCT **Visitation** 07:00AM - 02:00PM

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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St., Giddings, TX, US, 78942

OCT **Chapel Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ A proud dad moment.



Sandra McClain - October 02, 2019 at 04:31 PM



“ Memphis... Bumpus... Anniversary Edition... Dreams do come true.... and for Johnny, one of his came true on this day.



Sandra McClain - October 02, 2019 at 09:02 AM



“ I love this picture of Johnny. We went out to eat and no one could read the menu without putting on some glasses (haha). Johnny didn't have his so he put on Mom's glasses that has "bling" on them. I got this one picture of him wearing those glasses before he covered his face with the menu. This is how I will always remember him.



Sandra McClain - October 02, 2019 at 08:46 AM