



Joseph Byron (Jody) Pryor

March 20, 1956 - August 14, 2013

Joseph Byron (Jody) Pryor, 57, of Searcy, died Wednesday, August 14, 2013. He was born March 20, 1956 in Little Rock, Arkansas, the son of Joseph and Bessie Mae Pryor.

Jody is survived by his mother, Bessie Mae and two sisters, Beverly Pryor and Susan Hodges. He is preceded in death by his father.

Jody was known for his love for and knowledge of snakes.

Graveside funeral services will be at 1:00 p.m. Saturday at White County Memorial Gardens. A fellowship will be held at the College Church of Christ after the graveside service from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the family room.

Tribute Wall

GH

“ Dear Bessie Mae, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our prayers.

Gary and Suzan Hill - May 04, 2016 at 05:20 PM

SE

“ We will continue our prayers for this sweet family in the days to come. So very sorry for your loss.

Stephen & Lisa Edelhuber - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

FJ

“ Dear Bessie Mae, we are in Albania helping Ellen Walker and the Tirana congregation, but want you to know that you are in our prayers. Love, Fred and Alice Jewell and Nancy Walker

Fred Jewell - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

GH

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Gary and Suzan Hill - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

JB

“ Though I say Jody on a sporadic basis, he always had a way of catching me up on what he had been doing or his most recent outdoor experience. I will miss those encounters and his smile.

Jimmy

Jimmy Behel - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

RB

“ My memories of Jody go back to Harding Academy middle school. Later he always gave me a smile and a hug when he saw me at His House. He often brought people there who needed help. Jody had a big heart and a concern for others. My sympathy to Bessie Mae, Beverly Jo and Susan.

Ruth Browning - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

DC

“ I am saddened by Jody's passing. While I have not seen him for awhile, he was special to me. I ask our Father to bless you with peace, comfort, strength, and love.
Da'Lynn

Da'Lynn Clayton - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

ST

“ Bessie Mae and family we are so sorry to hear about Jody passing. We love you so much Bessie Mae. You are a lady of grace, beauty and wonderful Christian sister. Jody was so special to our family. When we first met Jody we knew right away he was a friend we wanted to keep for a long time. He took us snake hunting and taught us to have a respect for snakes and what an important role they play for the environment. Jody and our family shared a love for martial arts. We always enjoyed a visit from Jody to hear his latest stories of his journey into the woods hunting out snakes. Jody came to us when he was sad and just needed someone to talk to. Jody had those big blue eyes and a heart of gold. He was always reaching out to help someone. He never missed church and was always there to lend a hand to anyone who needed help. It was wonderful having Jody for a friend. We loved him dearly and we feel so blessed that he was put in our lives. This is something I wrote about Jody and it is meant only in a respectful way from someone who really cared about my dear friend Jody: Here's to the crazy ones. The misfits. The rebels. The troublemakers. The round pegs in the square holes. The ones who see things differently. They're not fond of rules. And they have little respect for the status quo. You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify or vilify them. About the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things. They push the human race forward. And while some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius. Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do. Jody made the world a better place for those who knew him. Goodbye to our dear friend.

Sissy, Rickey and Brandon Treat - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

RU

“ Aunt Bessie Mae, Beverly and Susan. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. The first memories that come to mind are Jody teaching me how to safely pick up snakes - at a fairly young age. I may have gotten nibbled on by a little water snake or two but he knew what he was doing and I enjoyed it and appreciated what he taught me about snakes and other animals. He was always kind to me. We appreciate you all so much.

Robert ulrey - February 10, 2016 at 03:16 PM

TP

“ He had a great smile and was always so friendly. I remember him from his youth as a lover of nature and animals. He seem to be excited when it was the season to "pick up pecans." I think he enjoyed the delicious pecan pies that Bessie Mae baked for him . He will be missed.

Treva L Pryor - August 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ Aunt Bess, BJ, and Susan- We were very sorry to hear about Jody. I was really glad that Nathan got a chance to visit with him when we were in Searcy this past May. Jody was always sweet to me and really enjoyed seeing Nathan. Nathan is flying in for the funeral tomorrow. Please know that my thoughts are with you all. Love you. -Lindy

Lindy Ingram - March 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM