



Cody R. Stout

December 4, 1992 - October 9, 2022

Cody R. Stout

Age 29

Of Bangor

Having accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord at age 15, went home to be with his Lord, October 9, 2022 in Kalamazoo. Cody was born December 4, 1992 in South Bend, the son of Daniel and Laura (Grote) Stout and has lived in the Bangor area the majority of his life. He enjoyed exploring his creative side through drawing and glass etching. More than anything, he loved spending time with his friends and family. Surviving are his grandmother, Darlene Grote of Bangor; parents, Dan and Laura; 5 siblings, Lacey (Rex) Walbrook of Kalamazoo, Jesse (Tara) Stout of Otsego, Anna (Joe) Sonntag of Galesburg, Madeline (Jesse) McDonald of Kalamazoo, Merle Stout of Kalamazoo; many nieces and nephews; best friend and roommate, Joel Pryson of Kalamazoo; and many other family and friends. The family will meet friends 6-8 PM Friday, October 21, 2022 at the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home. His funeral service will be held 11:00 AM Saturday, October 22, 2022 at the Bangor Free Methodist Church. Interment will follow at a later date in Arlington Hill Cemetery.

Cody was a blonde-haired, tan-skinned little boy who loved his cowboy boots and toy pistols. As he grew older, he loved his Legos and annoying his little brother. He had a great imagination and a goofy sense of humor that did not

fade, even into adulthood. As a teen, he loved riding his bike with his neighborhood friends, joined the wrestling team, and loved his Yu-Gi-Oh cards. All through his childhood, he loved to spend time drawing and was very proud of the art books created.

As an adult, Cody was a hard worker in the retail sector. He spent time employed by different stores— Walmart, Menards, the Dollar Tree— and every place he worked for quickly recognized his talents and gave him more responsibility. He was very proud of the work he was able to do for each employer. He was a whiz at numbers and math, and often used his skills to develop better processes or to teach someone else how to do things more efficiently. He was so proud of how fast he could do things and always had a goal to do it better the next time.

Cody was a wonderful son. He loved his mother fiercely; she was his safe place and the person he knew loved him regardless of anything. He thought the world of his father and knew he could ask him for help with anything. Cody could be difficult— he was cantankerous at times, but there was always an understanding of love and respect that grounded his relationship with his parents. Theirs was a relationship that truly exhibited unconditional love.

Cody was a special brother. He never texted on birthdays— he called. He made sure to stay connected with Merle and Madeline, inviting Merle to do things with him and spending dinners with Madeline. He might have driven them both crazy as kids at times, but as adult siblings, he offered true friendship to each of them.

Cody also had a special relationship with his Grandma Darlene. He loved to tease her about spiders and get a rise out of her. In his later years of life, they developed a connection with each other; he knew that she understood a part of him that others didn't always. She was generous with him and he was

always extra gentle with her.

Cody was a great friend. Quality time was important to him and he worked hard to spend time with people he loved. He would drive all over Michigan, and even to different states, to be with his friends. In his last few years, he was deeply connected with his roommate, Joel. He lived with Joel on and off, but even when he wasn't staying with him, he would drive over in the early morning just to have a cup of coffee in the morning with him. He loved Joel's dog, Coco, and loved to help Coco "get some exercise" by teasing him with a Dorito or some other unhealthy treat.

Cody's creative outlet had moved from drawing to glass-etching by this time, and it brought him so much joy to make etchings for his friends and family. People encouraged him time and time again to try selling things, but he was always too busy working on a gift for someone. He also loved his knife collection, spent way too much money on gas station food, and still liked to say the word "dookie" even as a grown man. We will always miss his funny quirks.

Those who knew Cody knew that he could be quick to anger. He had a temper that could flare up suddenly. But if you were privy to his temper, you would also know that he was always, always, always quick to ask for forgiveness. Cody was full of love for the people in his life and he would never leave a situation unresolved. His humility and tenderness made it easy to love him. His friends and family were his cheerleaders, his support system, and truly saw the beauty hiding behind a lot of his emotional pain.

Cody's struggle with his mental health was a long road. It started early in his life and never fully relented. But Cody never gave up. He reached out to people over and over again. He looked for help and resources in numerous

ways– the craziest one might have been when he practiced staring at the sun while standing outside barefooted. He never lost hope that he would find joy and purpose and peace one day, even when he was at his lowest points. His family now finds great comfort that he is now experiencing the fullest joy possible in the presence of God.

If you struggle with mental health, please reach out to the people around you. It was an honor to know Cody and care for Cody in his dark moments, and the people around you will be blessed to help carry your burden too.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Pine Rest Kalamazoo Clinic at <https://www.pinerest.org/foundation/ways-to-give/donate/>. Cody received great care and love from the people there, and it would greatly honor him to help others seek their peace too.

Cemetery Details

Arlington Hill Cemetery

56838 - 28th Avenue
Bangor, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bangor Free Methodist Church
304 W. Douglas
Bangor, MI

Tribute Wall

RO

“ *Rose lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout*



rose - January 28, 2023 at 06:40 PM

JS

“ *Jennifer & Shelby Spears lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout*



Jennifer & Shelby Spears - October 26, 2022 at 09:36 AM

KV

“ *Kelly, Dylan, and Bangor Auto Value purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Cody R. Stout.*



Kelly, Dylan, and Bangor Auto Value - October 19, 2022 at 12:08 PM



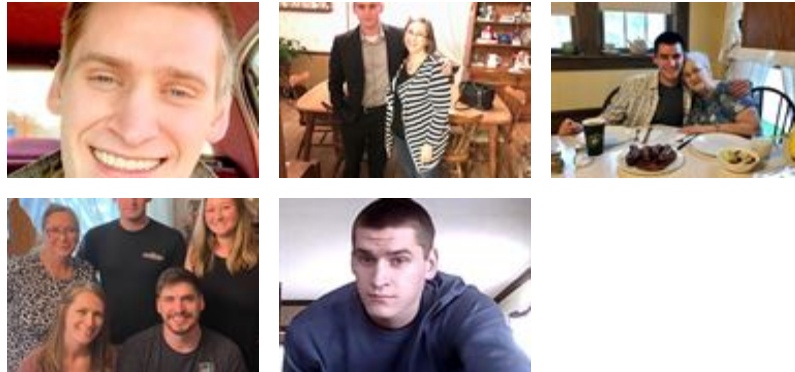
“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cody R. Stout.*



October 18, 2022 at 12:22 PM



“ 35 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



D.L. Miller Funeral Home - October 17, 2022 at 12:31 PM

LF

“ *Dan, Laura and family, We were so saddened to learn of Cody's passing. Our thoughts are with you and the whole family. God Bless you all. Dan and Lynne Farmer*

Lynne Farmer - October 15, 2022 at 03:42 PM

SS

“ *Sherry Schultz lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout*



Sherry Schultz - October 15, 2022 at 09:29 AM

UK

“ *Uncle Phil and Aunt Kathy purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Cody R. Stout.*



Uncle Phil and Aunt Kathy - October 14, 2022 at 01:27 PM

AW

“ *Allen & Joanne Webster lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout*



Allen & Joanne Webster - October 14, 2022 at 08:42 AM

TO

“ *Tom/Patty lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout*



Tom/Patty - October 14, 2022 at 08:39 AM

RD

“ Dan and family you are in my thoughts and prayers during this time. I remember meeting Cody in 2014 when I started working at 53rd bank. He was a very nice young man, polite, friendly and even welcomed me to the area. Such a sweet guy. I also remember him starting a new job and he couldn't stop smiling, because now he would have money. I am so blessed and thankful to have met such a special young man. Thank you Dan and Laura for sharing your son with me. Roz

Razanne "Roz" Day - October 13, 2022 at 10:37 PM

MM

“ Our prayers for the family and friends during this time if great loss.

Mike Mann - October 13, 2022 at 10:18 PM

KG

“ Kenny Ricki Gillan lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout



Kenny Ricki Gillan - October 13, 2022 at 08:32 PM

CA

“ Carma lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout



Carma - October 13, 2022 at 05:51 PM

YF

“ Cody was an amazing person with such a kind soul. I am so honored to have been a part of his life as a boss but mainly as a friend. I will miss him greatly. My prayers to his family and friends.

Yvonne Fry - October 13, 2022 at 10:56 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cody R. Stout.



October 13, 2022 at 08:57 AM

LF

“ So sorry to hear this. Praying for the family and that God will comfort them in this most difficult time.

Les and Sue Fairbanks - October 12, 2022 at 11:03 PM

RN

My deepest sympathies are with your family. Praying for you

Robin Nowacki - October 13, 2022 at 08:49 AM

MB

“ Maggie Brooks lit a candle in memory of Cody R. Stout



Maggie Brooks - October 12, 2022 at 05:38 PM

MB

My heart goes out to Dan and the Stout Family. One of the hardest things in life to lose is the life of a child. My God wrap his living arms around the Family and bring them the Peace and comfort that they need at this time.. Rest in Peace Cody

Maggie Brooks - October 12, 2022 at 05:42 PM

DF

“ *David Freislinger sent a virtual gift in memory of Cody R. Stout*



David Freislinger - October 12, 2022 at 05:14 PM

KW

“ *We were able to know Cody through his friend, Ryan Quick. He was a faithful friend. He helped Tessa Quick move, also. We are the grandparents of Ryan, and Tessa. We enjoyed our visits with Cody at the Quick home. A true Christian.*

Kathy Weller - October 12, 2022 at 04:18 PM