



Joseph Ryan "Bub" Willis

February 12, 1984 - January 5, 2023

Joseph Ryan Willis or known as Bub, 38, of Parkersburg, WV passed after suffering years from addiction at his home January 5, 2023. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Frank and Charlotte Massie; paternal grandfathers, William "Bill" Willis and James J.B. England; uncle, Joseph Michael Pierce.

Born February 12, 1984 in Beckley, WV, he was the son of William "Willie" and Tammy (Massie) Willis, Crab Orchard, WV.

Ryan had a larger than life personality, never met a stranger and was a friend to everyone he met. He graduated from Independence High School, Class of 2002. Following graduation, he briefly served in the US Marine Corp. He then worked as a roof bolt operator in the local coal mines.

Surviving in addition to his parents, sister, Amanda (Justin) Iden of Cross Lanes, WV; brother, Tyler (Hannah) of Crab Orchard, WV; sons, Aiden Mills, Cameron Crouch, Landon Willis and Lucas Willis; paternal grandmothers, Barbara Willis of Jacksonville, NC and Betty England of Otsego, WV; special aunt, Barbara Massie Pierce of Crab Orchard, WV ; uncle, Jerry (Crystal) Massie of Snead Ferry, NC; numerous aunts, uncles & cousins. Childhood best friends, Aaron Hodge, John Hajash, Jeremy Irvin, Mike Lacy.

Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday January 14, 2023 at Old Grove Chapel Auxiliary Building. Please join us to celebrate a life that was taken too soon.

The Broken Chain

We little knew that day, God was going to call your name.

In life we loved you dearly, in death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.

You did not go alone.

For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories.

Your love is still our guide.

And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same.

But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Old Grove Chapel
Beckley, WV 25801