



## Troy Dean Ayers

September 5, 1962 - March 8, 2015

Born Again of Water and Spirit in Christ

OCT. 27, 2013

Troy Dean Ayers of Bloomington passed from this life and into the presence of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, March 8, 2015.

Born September 5, 1962, in Bloomington, Indiana, he was the son of Phillip and Pamela (Wall) Ayers. He was a member of McCormick's Creek United Pentecostal Church. He graduated from Bloomington High School North in 1980, where he was active in marching band and color guard.

Troy was a kind and caring person who saw the best in everyone. He never met a stranger and never intentionally made an enemy. He had a quick wit and terrific sense of humor. Troy's ability to find humor in all situations allowed him to meet the challenges of life with grace and courage.

Family relationships were very important to Troy. He had a very special relationship with his mom and dad, he treasured each of his brothers and enjoyed joking around with them, but his love of family was particularly exemplified by his relationship with his brother, Phillip Randall, who was his very best friend. Troy's children and grandchildren were the light of his life. He took great joy in the children and was so proud of each of them. His daughter Chelsea says of Troy, "He was the best dad in the world. He was soft spoken and kind hearted. He was so intelligent and encouraging. He was our

superman! Our stability! He had a way with words and he always knew the right thing to say.” Troy had worked at Red Lobster for a number of years. He enjoyed serving the public and was greatly loved by his Red Lobster family. A co-worker shared this: “Troy was kind, caring, and was always willing to lend an ear. He was fun to work with and be around. He had a dry sense of humor and that look he would give us, with the raised eyebrow, would really get us laughing. He was an all around good guy.”

Survivors include his parents; grandparents, Velma and Herschel Ayers; two sons, Brandon Elwood and wife, Brittany, of Bloomfield, Brett Elwood and wife, Jessica, of Greencastle; one daughter, Chelsea Elwood, and her partner, Paul Campbell, of Terre Haute; four granddaughters, Malia, Breonnah, Evanna Marie, and Solana Nevae; four grandsons, Tristen, Gavan, Silas Dean and Landon Emmitt; three brothers, Bradley and wife, April, Phillip Randall, and Christopher and wife, Samantha, all of Bloomington; two nieces, Kirsten Bartalone and husband, Nick, Natasha Ayers and fiance, Tyler Potter; and nephew, Nathan Ayers, all of Bloomington. Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends also survive Troy.

Troy was preceded in death by one sister, Michelle, and grandparents, Lewis and Lois Wall.

Troy was greatly loved and will be missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be 11 a.m. and the funeral will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, 2015, at McCormick’s Creek United Pentecostal Church in Spencer, IN.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

McCormick's Creek United Pentecostal Church  
3138 IN-46  
Spencer, IN 47460  
<http://www.mcupc.com>

## Service

MAR 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ Dear Mr and Mrs Ayers,  
Troy and I were dear friend back at Smithville. He would become my best friend for 3 years. We were inseparable for a long time. When you all moved to Fox Hollow, I was heartbroken. Little did I know at 13 How that would turn out. He was smart and funny and compassionate and loving. Our entire family loved him so. He will be missed in this life. So happy to hear he accepted Jesus. Heaven's gain.....  
Love and peace.....Jenny Beck Jones & Tony McWhirter & Sons,  
Greg, John & Bill & Shilo

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**Jenny Beck Jones** - March 18, 2015 at 04:34 PM

SJ

“ Troy, I can't explain the joy that filled my heart when your Mother gave me the news of you giving your life to God!!! I know that you wanted to tell me yourself and I'm sorry that you didnt have that chance. But I know where you are and if you can see me, you know how happy I am for you! Love forever, Sheryl Dean



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**Sheryl Rude Jones** - March 15, 2015 at 08:58 PM

JT

“ Troy was one of my first friends I had when I moved to Bloomington, IN back in the 80s. We hung out together, worked together and was extremely close until I moved to TX. My heart aches for Tom, the children, Troy's Mom and Dad, and the remainder of the Ayres family.

Troy will always hold a special place in my Heart, and I know in my heart that I will connect again with Troy in the hereafter.

Here's some food for thought to all of us in mourning Troys death:

“For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life; weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.” Psalm 30:5

Thanks for being my dear friend Troy Dean, all my Love John Taylor



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**John Taylor** - March 13, 2015 at 07:25 PM

AL

“ Dear Phil and Pam,

We offer prayers and condolences to you. Troy will be missed! We are thankful that he came to know Jesus and rejoice that he has received his crown. Many years ago Troy had a dream about heaven at the time he said he hoped he could go there now his dream is fulfilled.

Love and prayers Jim and Aleatha

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**Aleatha Langley** - March 13, 2015 at 05:06 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Troy Dean Ayers.



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March 12, 2015 at 08:14 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Troy Dean Ayers.*



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March 12, 2015 at 07:59 PM



“ *I did not know Troy well and I haven't seen him in years. He was an acquaintance through friends who worked with him at Red Lobster. I remember Troy being so friendly and accepting. I immediately felt at home around him and enjoyed his hospitality when I visited. My regards to family and friends who will certainly miss him.*

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**Christi Strader** - March 12, 2015 at 07:54 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Colleen Mulinix** - March 12, 2015 at 12:43 PM



*This is Troy with Lisa Borders on the bus to Kings Island in 1980.*

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**Colleen Mulinix** - March 12, 2015 at 03:51 PM



*I remember Troy talking me into riding The Beast with him on this trip. I cried from the first incline to the very second that it stopped! Troy tried to comfort, but I was beyond that...lol! Needless to say, that was my first and last time on that ride*

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**Sheryl Rude Jones** - March 15, 2015 at 08:48 PM



“ I became friends with Troy several years ago when I worked at Red Lobster. I would sometimes give him a ride home after work. He would always invite me in and then make us each a margarita. (I can't think of anyone I've ever known who made a better margarita!) We would sit for awhile sipping our drinks and gossiping and talking about life, and oh, would we ever laugh. Troy said the funniest things and came up with so many genius one-liners. I'm smiling now at the memory. He was a wonderful host and his hospitality was such a gift to me. I'm thankful I knew him and hope I see him again someday.

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**Marty Musser** - March 12, 2015 at 11:02 AM

CV

“ 1 file added to the album Memories



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**Christopher Vaught** - March 12, 2015 at 09:28 AM

SJ

“ Troy was a very special person in my life for many years. He was loving, caring and had so much compassion for other people. He was a wonderful person through and through. Not many were made like him! When time would pass without seeing each other, we would always pick up right where we left off. He's always had a special place in my heart...and always will. I love you, Troy Dean Ayers!



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**Sheryl Rude Jones** - March 11, 2015 at 11:21 PM

DU

“ *Phil and Pam, even though we will not be with you Saturday, the both of you are in our thoughts and prayers! He is in God's loving healing hands. Duke and Pat*



**Duke** - March 11, 2015 at 09:28 PM



“ *Dear Aunt Pam,  
I'm very sorry for the loss of Troy. As I think back to the family reunions when we were kids, Troy was always the one who made us girls laugh. He was so smart and witty.*

*You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Kelly Slavich*

**Kelly Slavich** - March 11, 2015 at 07:38 PM

KA

“ *Troy was my first love, from the minute he was born I thought he could do no wrong even his crying was beautiful. I remember sitting at his bedside shaking his bed to help him fall asleep, we laughed so much together. Though I was his aunt he is my friend and I love him dearly, he will forever live in my heart.*

**karen** - March 11, 2015 at 10:48 AM

MW

*TROY was great friend during our high school days at Bloomington North. After graduating, Troy, Dan Bushy, and I made a trip to Daytona, Fl. Second day there, Troy had gotten a servers sun burn, Dan became ill. Both stay up in the hotel room for the better part of our trip. Me, well let's just say that I had the most fun. Rest in Peace my friend.*

**Michael Weightman** - March 11, 2015 at 10:08 PM

JS

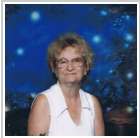
“ Pam and family,

*Sorry to hear about Troy's death. From the picture I see that he became quite a handsome man. You and the family have been in my thoughts and prayers this week.*

*John Slavich*

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**John Slavich** - March 11, 2015 at 10:28 AM



“ MY DEAR PAM, YOU ARE IN MY THOUGHTS, WHAT A HANDSOME YOUNG SON , I KNOW HE WAS VERY SPECIAL TO EVERYONE THAT KNEW HIM, PRAYING FOR STRENGTH FOR THE FAMILY,,,,, RIP TROY ELSIE( BAYNE) CBS ELSIE BOISVERT FROM FLORIDA ELSIEBOISVERT@YAHOO.COM

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**Elsie Boisvert** - March 11, 2015 at 10:13 AM