



RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY

December 27, 1968 - September 18, 2021

Russel Dean "Pokey" McCoy, age 52 of Pineville, WV, formerly of Davy, WV, departed this world on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Born December 27, 1968 in Chicago, IL, he was the son of Rita Elizabeth Bryant McCoy of Pineville, formerly of Davy, WV and the late Ronnie Lee McCoy.

Pokey spent the greater part of his life in Davy, WV. He was of the Pentecostal faith. He was a 1986 graduate of Mount View High School. He was a certified welder and automobile body repair. Pokey was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved the outdoors, riding 4-wheelers, to ginseng and traveling to new places.

In addition to his father; he was preceded in death by his brother and very best friend, Rocky and one sister, Shelly; paternal grandparents, Corbet and Eva (Lawhorne) McCoy and maternal grandparents, Paul and Virginia (Maynard/Perry) Pack.

In addition to his mother; those left to cherish his memories are his sister, Rhonda McCoy and James Selleck of Pineville, formerly of Davy, the light of his life his niece Sophia Grace of Pineville; one sister, Tammy Barker and William of Chillicothe, Ohio; brother, Ronnie "Damon" McCoy of Hillsboro, WV, Richard Pack of Princeton; sister, Rebecca and Allen Smith of Princeton; brother, Kelly Henderson of Princeton, with whom he had lived with for the past several months; and a host of nieces and nephews, aunts, cousins and many friends.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, September 24, 2021 at 2:00 PM

from the chapel of Douglas Mortuary in Welch with his sister Rhonda and cousin Alonzo conducting the service.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. The family wishes to require masks to be worn at all times while inside.

Following the services, in keeping with Pokey's wishes, his body will be cremated and burial will follow at a later date, with a celebration of his life at New Community Cemetery in Asco, WV.

The Douglas Mortuary in Welch is serving the McCoy family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.douglasmortuary.com

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Douglas Mortuary
157 Wyoming Street
Welch, WV 24801
(304) 436-3186
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Tribute Wall

RA

“ Rebecca Smith (Aunt) lit a candle in memory of RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY



Rebecca Smith (Aunt) - September 24, 2021 at 04:33 PM

RA

“ I really don't have just one memory I have alot of memories of Pocky. His death surely was a shock to everyone who knew him. I'm just so sorry that he won't be here on earth anymore. But one day in Heaven we we see you again. I'm sorry I couldn't be there. Prayers that you are now at rest. May God be with the family. My prayers and love. Allen Becky Smith

Rebecca Smith (Aunt) - September 24, 2021 at 04:30 PM

KS

“ Pokey was always pleasant to be around. He seemed to just have something good to say about everything and everyone. I taught with Jeanann Leone at the West Virginia Rehabilitation Center, and we went to Williamsburg as a final destination for a travel training class we had been doing with our students. When we realized some of our students had not been to the ocean, we made a detour so they all could see it. My favorite memory of Pokey was the same as Jeanann's. The look of astonishment and delight that came over Pokey's face when he realized the ocean was composed of salt water was priceless! He was a wonderful young man, and so was his brother, Rocky. I pray for comfort for their family at this time. Keith Ann Smith

Keith Ann Smith - September 24, 2021 at 03:50 PM

LF

“ Love: Patty Dudleson & Family purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY.



Love: Patty Dudleson & Family - September 24, 2021 at 09:25 AM

PR

“ A special memory I won't forget is when Pokey and Shelly were told Mark Day, an old friend of theirs lived close to me and he came up to visit with them. They shared lots of good memories and of course Pokey and Mark talked about hunting. It was a wonderful day.

phyllis reed - September 24, 2021 at 06:38 AM

PE

“ My condolences to Russell's mother, Rhonda & Sophia, the whole family, Kelly & friends of Russ.
For many years he was/is my soul mate. The past 10 years we've been very close friends.
I am blessed to have known him.
Ly forever MT
Cya there....

Pet with Joey & Marina



Petra - September 24, 2021 at 04:32 AM

CP

“ I was one of the interpreters at WVRC who worked w/Pokey. He was definitely one of the good guys. Always had a smile. He will be missed.

Connie Pitman - September 23, 2021 at 08:45 PM



“ Pokey, and Rocky, were my students back in the 1980's at the West Virginia Rehabilitation Center. They were two of my favorite students. I can't believe this has happened. I am heartbroken- first Rocky and now Pokey. It's hard to believe and so unfair for his life to end so suddenly and at such a young age. I had communicated with him on Facebook recently, and was so happy to re-connect with a beloved student. All my memories of him are good ones.

I'll share a story with you. My co-teacher, Keith Ann Smith, and I took the class they were in to Virginia Beach. They had never been to the ocean. I'll never forget Pokey jumping into the waves and when he surfaced, he signed "salty!!". He didn't know that ocean water was salty. This made my day! I loved exposing my students to new experiences. He, and Rocky, will always be in my heart.

My sincere sympathy to his mother, siblings, and other family members and friends who loved him.

Jeanann Leone - September 23, 2021 at 08:04 PM

RM

Thank you. Pokey talked a lot about his time there. We lost our sister Shelly, in 2017. Intake comfort in knowing that my brothers and my sister are hearing all the things they never heard.

Rhonda McCoy - September 23, 2021 at 09:18 PM

RF

“ Roy, Marie, Diane, Kay Smith & Family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY.



Roy, Marie, Diane, Kay Smith & Family - September 23, 2021 at 07:28 PM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY.



September 22, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of RUSSELL DEAN "POKEY" MCCOY.



September 22, 2021 at 08:20 AM

DM

“ My travel partner in crime so many good memories of us travelling around with Kelly



dianne mckane - September 21, 2021 at 11:52 PM

MA

“ *Such a dear friend I now am left without way to early. I was, I am blessed to have known this kind, sweet, caring man. You'll always be my Mr Russell.. R.I.P*

Mrs Angel - September 21, 2021 at 07:52 PM

SI

“ *Pokey was such a unique soul and he will be missed by many. As he finds his way to the heavenly light I ask that he be guide by his family he has missed for so long and will finally know nothing but happiness. Rest in peace uncle pokey*

With sadness in my heart,

-sissy

Sissy - September 21, 2021 at 05:52 PM

RP

I will miss you brother. I love you...😭

Richard Pack - September 21, 2021 at 08:01 PM