



Donovan Martin Godsey

September 6, 1996 - January 7, 2019

Donovan Martin Godsey, age 22, Perryville, Arkansas, passed away Monday, January 7, 2019. He was born September 6, 1996 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was a graduate of Perryville High School; a maintenance and grounds keeper at Harris Brake Lake Resort.

He is survived by his mother and step-father Carla and Steve Condley of Perryville; step-sisters, Jessica Mount of St. Vincent and Stacy Roe of Appleton; maternal grandmother, Dezzie Martin of Ferndale, paternal grandmother, and a host of aunts, uncles, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, James Godsey.

Special thanks to Harris Brake Lake Community and others, for the love and kindness shown to Donovan. A private service will be at a later date.

Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Tribute Wall



“ Donovan Martin Godsey

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ I just found out about Donovan and I am soooo sorry for your loss! I cannot even imagine how you must be feeling, but am sending prayers up for you all.

I remember fondly all the times Donovan would follow Hannah around carrying whatever she asked of him...from baby dolls to diaper bags, but he always did it with love in his heart. Our kids always had fun visiting the "farm" and visiting and playing with Donovan...even the time we ended up in the ER. LOL

Kimi Hayden - February 26, 2019 at 10:12 AM



“ Carla and Steve, I am so very sorry for your loss. I can only imagine how hard it is to lose a child. Prayers for all.

Alice Wallis - January 12, 2019 at 06:46 PM



“ I went to school with Donnie. She would hang out everyday. He used to wait on me to get off the bus in the morning and walk me to breakfast and class. He was a very good man. He was so kind. I miss and love you, Donnie.

My prayers are with your family and friends. ♥

Alyssa Emery - January 11, 2019 at 11:17 AM

AE

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Alyssa Emery - January 11, 2019 at 11:18 AM

PP

“ *My nephew was a gentle giant. We were like oil and water together, but we understood each other and loved each other. I made him laugh often at how I'd laugh at his seriousness over things that weren't that serious. He'd say. Don't laugh and of course I'd laugh more. Then he'd start laughing with me.*

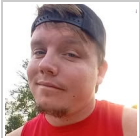
When he helped cut up onions for supper? I'd have to give him two, because he'd eat one raw.

He had his problems, but he was a man of honor and would help anyone that needed help. Family was very important to him. He'd drop what he was doing to come help. All you had to do was feed him! And he loved food!

Rest In Peace and Love Donovan. I'll miss you!

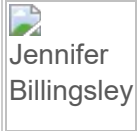


Pamela Peterson - January 10, 2019 at 08:02 PM



“ *Donnie you were like a little brother man you will be missed I wish I would have stayed in touch better man*

Wesley Patrick - January 10, 2019 at 05:42 PM



Jennifer
Billingsley

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My son, Justin Duft, was good friends with Donovan and was murdered 1/3/18. I can only imagine what them to are up to on other side of the stars. Big hugs from one Momma to another! And all family and friends.

Jennifer Billingsley - January 10, 2019 at 04:40 PM

JF

“ my sincere condolences to the family of Donovan during this difficult and tremendous loss? may god comfort you

Joey froly - January 10, 2019 at 03:46 PM

JR

“ I am so sorry to hear this. Donnie lived with my family a little while during his senior year. Prayers for all of his family.

Judy Runnels - January 10, 2019 at 03:22 PM

TM

“ Aunt Carla. This is really hard to fathom that Donovan is gone. I still wish it was dream. We're all deeply saddened by this loss. Lots of Love and hugs to you. Tia, Craig, Chloe and Logan Melanson



Tia ?? Melanson - January 10, 2019 at 03:14 PM

AE

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Donovan. I have known him since he was of a young age and know he suffered some ups and downs in his life. May God give you peace.*

Alice Elms - January 10, 2019 at 02:32 PM

SS

“ *I'm so sorry Carla. We loved Donovan so much and was proud to be his momma Sherry and momma Cindy. We will always love him. He touched so many peoples life with love.*

Sherry Stillman

Sherry Stillman - January 10, 2019 at 01:57 PM

LC

“ *Carla, my friend, my deepest sympathies for the loss of Donovan. I pray God surrounds you in peace and comfort. With love, LaDonna*

LaDonna Cole - January 10, 2019 at 01:32 PM

LC

“ *LaDonna Cole lit a candle in memory of Donovan Martin Godsey*



LaDonna Cole - January 10, 2019 at 01:30 PM

JC

“ As we go through life people come and go in and out of our lives, then there comes an individual that in a short period of time that stamps your life with an average lasting impression Donavon done this, not only to me but with my family.

Was he rough around the edges, thats almost an understatement, yet inside was a heart and spirit of love and kindness.

A young man, but carried with him Ol' Man wisdom something you see less and less of these days. A hard worker, a true friend, never having to worry about anything or anyone at my house at anytime. Haley, Caleb, and Nathan sort of looked at Donavon more as a big brother than just a family friend.

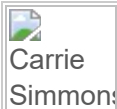
He just fit in to our family like he had always been apart of our family.

Friend your being missed already and will be for a long time because real impression that is stamped deep it takes some a life time to fade away.

Friend you are missed.

Peace little bro.

James Cannaday - January 10, 2019 at 01:21 PM



Carrie
Simmons

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Carrie Simmons - January 10, 2019 at 02:09 PM



“ I always member fishing off the docks in the neighborhood hanging out and when i didn't have any place to go his mama n him let me in there home

Alex Rice - January 10, 2019 at 12:51 PM

 Carrie
Simmons

“ So sorry for such a tragic loss of a kind, respectful, wonderful soul. I looked at Donovan like an adopted son. He was so sweet and kind. He was always so helpful and eager to help in any way he could. When he did something he did it the best he could and with his heart. I miss him so much and I miss hearing ‘hey Miss Carrie, can I bum a cigarette?’ I will miss our talks we had everyday about all kinds of things. He came to me for advice and guidance. I pray that out of everything I said to him, that he got a little something from it. The last thing he said to me was ‘Miss Carrie, you’re the best step-mom anybody could ever ask for.’ I loved that boy like my own and I know he cared about me too. Everyone here at Harris Brake Lake loved him in some kind of way and we were his family and I believe he loved us too. He will be greatly missed but absolutely never forgotten!!! We will meet again one day! Love you Hun!

Miss Carrie

Carrie Simmons - January 10, 2019 at 12:08 PM

JC

You know we go through life and we meet people everyday but there comes a day when somebody steps up and say " I'm calling my dad to make sure it's alright to pick up this boat, if he says no I'm whooping your ass", from that day this guy became a part of my family's life. Haley, Caleb, Nathan look toward Donavon as a older brother and Debbie fitted him right in with our home and definitely turned out to be a great friend to me. Rough around the edges that sometimes might be debatable, yet through all of this rough outer shell was a heart and spirit of love and kindness. This short time that I got to spend in this man's life has left a lasting impression in my life, for being such a young man, he cared a large amount of Ol' man wisdom. In my time and the people I have met Donavon ranks at the top. Friend, your going to be missed.

James

James Cannaday - January 10, 2019 at 12:50 PM

CA

“ So sad when I heard this! Donny was one of my former students.
Prayers

Cindy Ault - January 10, 2019 at 11:53 AM

JA

“ Seems like it was just the other day when I
saw you happily working your new
maintenance job at Coffee Creek.



Jeremy Adams - January 10, 2019 at 08:52 AM

NF

“ Nix Family lit a candle in memory of Donovan
Martin Godsey



Nix family - January 10, 2019 at 07:58 AM

AW

“ Donovan was a great person, always ready to
help others never asking for anything in
return. He was a one of the best employee we
ever had. We miss you Donovan. AJ and
Shirley, Harris Brake Lake Resort.



AJ and Shirley Watkins - January 10, 2019 at 06:52 AM

RH

“ He was a hard worker and a good kid he work for about 2 months



roger henry - January 09, 2019 at 09:37 PM

DP

“ David Peterson lit a candle in memory of Donovan Martin Godsey



David Peterson - January 09, 2019 at 08:49 PM

Lesley Self Hicks

“ Prayers to all friends and family are being lifted up.

Lesley (Self) Hicks



Lesley Self Hicks - January 09, 2019 at 08:15 PM

KM

“ Carla, Steve and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember Donovan so well, but lost track of him when you moved to Harris Brake. Many times he would walk to Karyn's to visit with Morgan, when he would be in the area. Thoughts and prayers for all of you.
Kathy Metz



Kathy Metz - January 09, 2019 at 07:58 PM

AW

Carla and Steve, I am so very sorry for your loss, I can only imagine your pain. I am praying for peace and comfort

Alice Wallis - January 10, 2019 at 05:32 AM

KE

Our sincere sympathies go out to you Carla and Steve . May you find peace and hold your memories close . Jon and Kathy -Harris Break neighbor

Kathy Ewert and Jon Erickson - January 10, 2019 at 04:31 PM

WO

“ *William Oliver lit a candle in memory of Donovan Martin Godsey*



william oliver - January 09, 2019 at 07:57 PM

WO

“ *this is billy? so sorry for ur loss and may god comfort Carla and the family during this tremendous loss? R.I.P Donovan*

william oliver - January 09, 2019 at 07:57 PM

TK

“ *Carla, I have tried to type this a dozen times, and I just cannot find the right words. You and I have had numerous conversations about our children. I know how much you loved Donovan and how proud you were of the man he had become. You have been a wonderful mother!. I pray that God gives you the strength and comfort to see you through.*

Tracy kendrick - January 09, 2019 at 07:24 PM

KT

“ Dear Donovan,
I'm sorry I didn't try harder to get through to you. I know you had hard times and difficulties but you also had a heart of gold. You called me on mothers day after your Dad died. You have no idea how that made my heart swell. You were so sweet.

I pray you found peace in your heart and soul. Too young and too smart to go from this world so soon. Many prayers for you and your family.

To Carla, my deepest heartfelt condolences to you. May God give you strength through this very difficult and trying time.

God bless.

Kris Tidwell-Godsey.

Rest in Love Donovan.

Kris Tidwell-Godsey - January 09, 2019 at 04:15 PM