



Tracy L. Fye

May 9, 1960 - March 18, 2021

Tracy L. Fye, age 60, of Ollie, passed away on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at the University of Iowa Hospitals and clinics. He was born on May 9, 1960 in Fairfield at the Jefferson County Hospital, the son of Delbert and Carolyn (Henry) Fye. He attended the Pekin High School and graduated with the Class of 1978. After graduating, he attended the University of Iowa.

During his high school years, Tracy was a talented wrestler and football player and later wrestled intermural at the University of Iowa. Tracy was a master carpenter and worked for Menefee Professional Contractors in Cedar Rapids and was a member of the United Carpentry Union Local #1260 in Iowa City. He helped design and build several buildings in Iowa City and surrounding areas. Every spare moment Tracy had, he was on or near the water. He was an avid water skier, competing in competitions all over the Midwest in the 3-event water skiing events and winning multiple awards and competing in the Iowa Games. He was a member of the Water Hawks Ski Club in Waterloo and Dubuque and also a member of the Ollie Motorcycle Club. He also enjoyed playing guitar, hunting deer and pheasant, camping and being outdoors. He was an avid sports and NASCAR fan, especially the Green Bay Packers and Dale Earnhardt. Above all else, family was the center of Tracy's life.

Tracy is survived by his parents, Delbert and Carolyn Fye of Ollie; his Fiancé, Kelly Gregory of Ollie; a brother, D. A. Fye III of Kingston, TN; two nephews,

Drew (Samantha) Fye and Ryne Fye and a great nephew, Dawson Fye. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents; a cousin, Scott Henry and four uncles, Francis Fye and Charles Henry, William Bill Swails, and William Alley.

As was Tracy's wish, his body has been cremated and no services are planned at this time. The Fremont Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Chip and I knew Tracy from the Dubuque Water Ski Club. He was a lot of fun to be around! And did he like to jump! If you were asked to be the observer, you needed to remind him that you had to be to work in the morning! He'd go again and again and again until he ran out of gas. So sorry to hear he was taken so suddenly. We have nothing but fond memories and fun stories about his time at the club. He lived life well, and he'll be missed.

Dawn Pregler - March 21, 2021 at 05:28 PM

CF

If YOU want to donate do so for your local Charity, we left winter home in a hurry, & Will be returning there soon. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness & prayers
Del & Carolyn Fye ❤️❤️

Carolyn Fye - March 23, 2021 at 01:54 PM

PM

The Mommer family shared many great times with Tracy at the ski lake! What a wonderful man he was! Blessings to his family.

Peter Mommer - March 24, 2021 at 10:52 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Tom Wray (RoI) - March 20, 2021 at 10:07 AM



I had a long time friendship with Trace, and many many memories that I enjoy again and again. I just saw Trace in January, enjoyed our time together and caught up...he had a life force that always made me smile. RIP TL.

Tom Wray (RoI) - March 20, 2021 at 10:11 AM

DF

“ I will start out about my time with Trace [and that's the name I used when I conversed with him or talked of him] as I remember. We grew up in the early years of our lives depending on each from playing with Hot Wheels cars, made up Pro Football games [Rams vs Packers], baseball 500, a game we invented, playing Army throwing dirt clods at each other and my favorite bouncing a hard rubber baseball off the north facing roof taking turns catching the rebound, another invention of ours. We would make a game out of doing chores to make the tasks enjoyable. One time I was driving an old tractor with Trace on board and ran over the mailbox because he was in the way of my foot reaching the clutch pedal. That was my excuse to the powers to be. Another time we were tasked to clear rocks in a field and again we came up with an easy way out. I was to drive the tractor pulling a lowboy trailer close to rocks and Trace sitting on the trailer would pick them up on the fly. It was working flawlessly until Trace's right foot shoestring was snagged by the trailer's tire and pulled him under. I happen to look back and stabbed the clutch just as tire was about to be on his chest. The rig rolled back off of him, boy I thought he had bought the farm. I picked him up and was carrying him away trying to figure how to explain this to the powers to be again! He was OK just had a cool tire tread imprint on his mid-section. Oh I forgot the setup for this mishap. Trace had trouble keeping his shoestrings tied, if you watched him tie he was doing the task as if he was knelt in front tying his own shoe. Weird the things you remember. As time rolls by we drift apart, life takes us different directions. There's a little communication between us as the years go by and then it comes full circle and we re-unite. The last three years has been wonderful. Within this time period I have witnessed his wit and humor, his ideas, his ideology, his care-free wisdom, his passion for the guitar Electric or Acoustic and his never ending inspiration for being on the water... Endless Summertime Blues

*I now have a void in my life that will never be filled.
My heart aches for you Trace, I will miss you Brother...*

DA

DA Fye - March 20, 2021 at 04:15 AM

LL

Beautiful DA

Lee Leppert - March 20, 2021 at 09:08 AM

SS

Great tribute DA

Trace was one who always made me laugh and put a smile on my face every time I met him! My favorite childhood memory were the toy tractor pulls we had in Ollie ! Trace and DA would rider their bikes to town with their pullers and the fun began ! Probably pulled on e ery sidewalk in town ! Condolences from the Ollie Motorcycle Club as Trace was an avid rider from boyhood.

*Carolyn ,Deb , and DA your all have been a part of my life from day one ! Tears can heal the pain and may the memories last forever ! Ski and ride the clouds with a smile Trace was a pleasure to have known you
Scottie*

Scott Schrader - March 20, 2021 at 09:54 AM

MM

My heart breaks for you DA, as I read your tender tribute of your 'little brother'. What wonderful (and SCARY for the mother of sons myself!) memories of you as boys. I'm sure you could write a book and that's a book I would enjoy reading immensely. Fast forward to 1978. I loved the bond you two had on the river over the summers spent on Blanchard Island. Such an amazing family, filled with talent, beautiful gene pool & laughter...always laughter. I'm saddened your brother was taken so soon, shocked too. I have memories of you balancing his crazy fun with your calmness (he was only 18 back then so...). He talked about you all the time. It's no doubt you were all meant to be together as a family. An amazing family. Sending my love (I know you probably don't remember me, but I'll always remember all of you with fondness). -Shelley Martin, Jerry's daughter (Michelle Martin Ockey)

Michelle Martin - March 20, 2021 at 10:42 AM

SC

*Hugs and prayers to you all. I'm sure gonna miss the random stops by him to visit. He always honked and had the biggest smile on his face everytime he drove by, he was truly a unique and special man. He was always so interesting to listen to and hear his stories. The way he drove so crazy on his motorcycle, scared the crap outta me but you knew he was loving and living life. He is gonna be missed by many.-
Buddy and Shelly Chittick*

Shelly Chittick - March 20, 2021 at 11:06 AM

RR

The world has lost another wonderful person. Built like Arnold Schwarzenegger but always a smile on his face. I remember years ago when he first joined the ski club in Dubuque and got into jumping. Neither one of us could see worth a darn but I had several pairs of glasses from before I switched to contacts. I gave them to him for a tournament so he could see the ramp! Needless to say it was a good plan gone bad. Glasses are at the bottom of the Mississippi and now Trace is up above looking down at us. God bless. Rob Ritchie.

Rob Ritchie - March 20, 2021 at 02:01 PM

AM

D.A. such beautiful memories to treasure! God bless you and your family!

Aunt Marilyn - March 20, 2021 at 02:04 PM

DP

Short and sweet never once did I not enjoy trace company rip trace Rip it up and splash it out buddy

Doug parcell - March 20, 2021 at 02:38 PM

BU

So sad when Becky called today with the news. It's been a lot of years since I've seen Trace but I'll always remember his fun lovin attitude, the days on the river and that smile of his. My heart goes out to you, Deb, Carolyn and family. Miss you guys.

Brent Underwood - March 21, 2021 at 10:54 PM

GR

Tracy was a joy to visit with . I will always remember the weekends at Blanchard Island on the Mississippi

Gene Reed - March 22, 2021 at 12:50 PM

MM

So sad for your loss. Lots of memories from years of go. Praying for you all. Deb, Carolyn, D.A. and family.

Melody Miller - March 22, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tracy L. Fye.*



March 19, 2021 at 09:39 PM