



J.R. Morrow

April 16, 1959 - February 3, 2020

OBITUARY FOR JR MORROW

Preston Howard Morrow, lovingly known as Jr passed away on Monday, February 3, 2020 in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 60.

Born on April 16, 1959 in Springdale, Arkansas to Preston Howard Morrow and Edythe Mary (Harger) Morrow.

After spending most of his childhood in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Mississippi, Jr settled in Bella Vista, Ar to raise his family and spent most of his adult life there.

Never one to sit for long, Jr worked as a welder, contractor & painter, ultimately retiring after many years as owner and manager of Jr's Painting.

On August 30, 1980 (Labor Day weekend) Jr married the love of his life Lynn Darlene (Bastian) Morrow, in Caney, Ks. Many laughs were shared over the years; using a moving holiday as an anniversary marker meant he got the date right every few years, until his children were old enough to help with reminders.

Being a father was his proudest accomplishment, his daughters were his pride and joy. Nothing made Jr happier than spending time with his girls. Spending

time traveling, fishing, or just sitting together was always the highlight of his day. Always willing to do anything for his girls with a smile, even if it meant wearing a silly Christmas pajama onesie.

Jr loved being a father but being a Papa was even more rewarding. He loved spoiling his granddaughters, building sandboxes, buying gifts, fishing and exploring all made his heart beam.

Sophia Loren once said, "The most indispensable ingredient of all good home cooking: love for those you are cooking for." Jr embodied this quote; his love language was cooking for others. He cooked for family, friends, neighbors and strangers, he would feed everyone. Jr didn't know how to cook for two, he always cooked for an army. Once everyone had a full belly, he had a full heart.

Hunting and fishing were also pastimes Jr enjoyed (probably because they combine two of his favorite things, food & fellowship with friends).

Jr loved art and often could be caught drawing or doodling. One of the most beautiful examples of his artistic side can be seen in his stained-glass creations many of which were given as presents to friends and donated for charity auctions.

Jr is survived by his wife Lynn Morrow, of Bella Vista, Arkansas, daughters Dena Henry and husband Kevin, of Rogers, Arkansas and Sara Yore and husband Dan, of Rogers, Arkansas; granddaughters Savannah Yore and Brynlee Henry; 3 Sisters Minnie Romero and husband Mark, of Owasso, Jackie Collins and Tom Adams, of Broken Bow, Oklahoma, Thelma Testerman and husband Richard, of Platter, Oklahoma as well as many nieces and nephews and countless friends he counted as family. All of these he loved and touched deeply .

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Marie Land.

A Celebration of Life service will be held 3:00 Saturday, February 29, 2020 at Spring Valley Rod and Gun Club; 23525 Lin Z Way, Gravette, Arkansas 72736.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **29**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Spring Valley Rod and Gun Club
23525 Lin Z Way
Gravette, AR 72736

Tribute Wall

BQ

“ *Benton County Quail purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of J.R. Morrow.* ”



Benton County Quail - February 26, 2020 at 03:54 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of J.R. Morrow.* ”



February 10, 2020 at 06:31 PM

GS

“ Meeting & getting to know JR was truly one of the coolest things to ever happen to me. I had no idea at that time some 30 years ago how much I was going to learn from him both on & off the clock. I am very fortunate to have worked beside several thousand hours as well as spend several hundred hours enjoying leisure time as well. I knew I had met somebody indeed unique right off the bat & he took no time showing me the kind of man & person he really was. One of the finest people I've ever met. I have remembered always many of his quotes, but the most memorable for me was when I was confiding a depressing domestic situation to him he stopped me short & said "You know, Guy, there is whole planet turning out there & you are never gonna conquer it. All YOU have to do....is get those young ones raised. That's ALL you have to do...is raise those younguns!" I never will forget that. I'm not sure I ever heard him speak anything wrong. He had a gentle ear & an enormous heart. He had an uncanny ability to transfer thoughts in his head into reality through his crafty hands. Knowing a soul such as his in your lifetime is a way you can consider yourself truly blessed. Godspeed on your next journey, Sir, and thank you for everything & all. You will be remembered fondly. -- Guy E. Stiglets

Guy E. Stiglets - February 10, 2020 at 04:15 PM

SY

Thank you for sharing! I love this. Sounds just like my dad to cut through all the variables and Just remind you to focus on what matters.

Sara Yore - February 10, 2020 at 09:58 PM

DB

“ So sorry Lynn. We still remember the time we helped remove your roof for the new one. Good memories

Don and penny brown - February 10, 2020 at 03:40 PM

MI

“ You were so brave and you faced everything head on. You were sick but never quit trying to get better. You loved with your whole heart and lived life with gusto. You looked after me and the girls when we had no one else. We both married and had families but nothing ever separated our love for each other. Life will never be the same without you but I will continue to live it with gusto because I know you would not want it any other way. I will love you through your family. They are all precious and I will always be there for them. I love you with my whole heart baby brother. RIP

Minnie - February 07, 2020 at 06:45 PM

CW

JR. You and your family welcomed me and my husband with open arms. I have been so blessed by all my family I didn't know I had. From our first phone conversation we had a bond. We both felt it. When I met everyone at Fish Camp for Sara and Dan's wedding it was on like Donkey Kong. I told you then you'd never get rid of me. I kept that promise. You and your family brought me so much love and joy to my life. I love you like a brother. I told Lynn the other day that they still won't be able to get rid of me. I'll be back to visit all my dear family members again. Love you so very much. I'll see you on the other side mister. ❤️

Carol Morrow Williams - February 10, 2020 at 02:23 PM

TH

“ I'm so sorry, I was at Hillcrest , my husband was Alan we never shared names with each other but I admired you all as a family, you were so supportive and dedicated to JR, I woke up in waiting room at 130 and you all were gone my heart broke for you all. Love and prayers and I know he would have been so proud of you all for all you did. Thank you for sharing your stories with me and listening to mine. I'll miss you all and hope our paths cross again maybe I'll find you in Rogers when I visit next . Love, Tonya

Tonya Hall - February 07, 2020 at 01:07 PM

SY

Tonya- it was a pleasure to meet you! I am so touched that you spent the time to find us and extend your condolences. Praying for you and Alan. Absolutely find us if you make it back to Rogers- any time!

Sara Yore - February 10, 2020 at 10:01 PM