



## Greg Laverne McCoy

November 5, 1963 - November 5, 2014

Greg Laverne McCoy, 51, passed away Wednesday, November 5, 2014 near his home in Moravia, Iowa

He was born September 14, 1963 in Centerville, Iowa to Max L (Curg) and Joyce Walter McCoy. Greg graduated from Moravia High School with the class of 1981 and Indian Hills Community College in 1983. After college, Greg worked in Lawton, Oklahoma at a rock quarry. After returning home to Iowa, he worked construction until he began working for Bridgeport, then Cargill in Eddyville, Iowa for several years. In recent years, you could find Greg working on the family farms where he loved to be. He was a member of Antiquity Lodge #252

Greg married Kim Vinton in 1988. To this union, a son, Cory Reed, was born on January 10, 1989. On April 28, 1992, Greg and Kelly Cridlebaugh welcomed his second son, Miles Gregory. Greg's greatest pride was his boys and they were the light of his life.

Greg lived life out loud. Anyone who met him never forgot him. He always had a story and could tell jokes on end. In high school he was known for his passion and ability on the drums. He was a member of the band, The Rusty Nail and had many fond memories and stories from that time in his life. He loved cheering for the Pittsburgh Steelers, the New York Yankees, radishes, cooking large amounts of meat for family gatherings, going to Hwy 5 Auctions, and teasing his nieces and nephews.

Greg's light shined bright and he loved to have a good time. If you needed something figured out, a favor, or a helping hand he was your guy. He could fix anything and he never met a stranger. This world is a better place because he was here.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Max and Mary (Polly) McCoy and Loren and Ardis Walter.

Those left to cherish his memory include his two sons, Cory and Miles of Moravia, Iowa;

his parents, Curg and Joyce McCoy, of Moravia, Iowa; Siblings, Scott (Jodie) McCoy of Exline, Iowa; Jeri (Tyson) Pershy of Centerville, Iowa; and Monte (Terri) McCoy of Moravia, Iowa and a large extended family including nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held in conjunction with Masonic Services on Saturday, November 8 at the Methodist Church in Moravia beginning at 1 p.m. with Reverend Brad Gray officiating. Visitation with the family present will begin at 11 a.m. until time of service. Per Greg's wishes his body has been cremated and a private family burial will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been established to Antiquity Lodge #252 and Moravia Athletics

# Comments

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“ Thinking of you, had a lot of great times with Greg

**Heath Green - Oskaloosa, IA - Friend** - November 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I remember Curgs mother letting me play with a stuffed animal she had, that had real mink fur on it. Curg was all grown up at that time. My dad and mom would stop almost everyweek to visit with Max and Polly, on the way home from Albia, or grandpa's house. Those were the days, when friends would get together and shoot the breeze , just for the enjoyment of their friendship. Time didn't matter so much....and there were no ice cream, butter, or milk that would melt in the grocery sacks in the car, cause we made it ourselves.

I miss those times.

Greg will be sorely missed, ...my heart is heavy with the shared pain of losing this fine young man, a diamond among pebbles of sand, from our lives here on earth. He was definitely loved dearly, by his parents, family, and friends. I am so sorry for the pain his loss causes. Imagine , if you will, the wonder of taking one's last breath here on earth, and the next..breath is one in Heaven. The wonder of it...we won't know until we are in that moment ourselves. And as we breathe that first breath of Heaven, here comes Greg, among other loved ones, to welcome us. This will be his and my mothers first Thanksgiving in Heaven. Could there be any higher honor, than to be in the company of Jesus....!

God Bless you, Curg and Joyce, and family, may He give you encouragement,comfort and courage in the days ahead.

**Mona Rae Carstensen - Casa Grande,, AZ - friend** - November 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Go in peace Greg. You'll be missed.

**Randy McDonough - Apache Jct, AZ - Friend** - November 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ We just learned of Greg's tragic loss. He was great to talk to during football games and was always finding something positive to say. He wanted all students to be involved in sports to better themselves as future citizens. God bless him.

Richard Keilig and family  
Science Teacher CHS

Richard H. Keilig Jr - Moravia, IA - I knew Greg at sporting events. - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry sorry to hear about the loss of Greg McCoy. I just met Greg this past year and have enjoyed playing golf with him and my brother. The last memory of Greg was at my brothers Fall Festival. Greg was in charge of the pig roast. He brought his smoker over. It turned out great.  
When I pulled up at my brothers that day Greg came out to meet me carrying a new driver he had just got. He was so excited about that driver. He couldn't wait to try it out. So he put a ball on a tee and hit it straight and long.  
It won't be the same on the golf course without Greg leasing me about my slice. He will be missed and thought of often every time I tee off.

John A Johnson - Omaha, NE - Friend - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Greg was always cracking people up and had a smile on his face. I remember riding 3 wheelers with him and raising hell on the gravel roads. He will always bring a pleasant memory to me.

DAVE ELLISON - Des Moines, IA - Friend - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Curg & Joyce and family: So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thought's and prayers are with you. I know that may not seem like much help but it does. I've been there twice this year and know it isn't easy. Love to you all. Merle Sinclair &family

Merle Sinclair - Burleson, TX - Friend - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ This to remember our friendship even in the time of grief. Take your tears to God and remember all your memories. We are sure Greg was a special type of son and gave you both joyful memories never to be forgotten. Take care our friends, God be with you. We are thinking of you and your family. Marion and Jan Sinclair

**Jan & Marion Sinclair - Gold Canyon, AZ - Friends of Curg & Joyce** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Curg, Joice and family, Our sincere prayers are with you in this time of sadness. How can we know the grief you are feeling? We 7`Ms have just lost our mother, but losing a child must be even more difficult. Please know you are in our thoughts today and always. You and your family have been in our lives, it seems, forever. We will always love you guys! Madelyn Tetmeyer

**Madelyn & Mike Tetmeyer - Bradenton , FL - friends of Curg and Joice** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Greg will be missed greatly. I will always remember his sense of humor and his love of life. Our condolences.

**Chris and Susie Grinstead and family - riverside, IA - friend and old neighbor** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Curg & Joyce and the rest of family,

So sorry for your loss.  
With deeper sympathy today  
Than words alone could ever say.

My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Wilma Templer

**Wilma Templer - Albia, IA - cousin** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ SO very sorry for your loss.. sending prayers

**AnGIE Johnson - des moines, IA - none..I'm from Albia** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Greg was always such a great person. He never knew a stranger and made everyone who met him feel like he knew them forever. He will be missed. I am so sorry for your loss.

**Carla (Cox) Bauer - Knoxville, IA - Friend** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My heart goes out to the McCoy family. So many memories of Greg. He was a fun loving one of a kind individual. Never a dull moment working with him in eddyville. He will always be remembered.

**Angie Borella - dahlonega, GA - friend** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I worked with Greg several years ago. I am very sorry to hear of his death. He was always fun to talk to and be around.

**Lloyd Powell - Ottumwa , IA - friend** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I worked with Greg in Moravia and always enjoyed his jokes! My thoughts and prayers to his family. He was a great guy and will be missed.

**Marty Crisp - Seymour, IA - Friend** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sending prayers and love to Greg's family. He was a great guy. We always enjoyed visiting with Greg. He never knew a stranger and always had a story to tell. He will be missed by many.

Dale, Melinda, Maggie, Ruger & Ross West

**Melinda West - Pima, AZ - friend** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM