



Jonathan "Jon" Israel Grimes

June 29, 1978 - April 30, 2024

Big Stone Gap, VA-

Jonathan Israel Grimes "Jon" age 45, passed away on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, unexpectedly at James H Quillen VA Medical Center.

Jon was born in Norton, Virginia, the son of George Ricky Grimes and Robin Collier Legg. He was one of two children.

Jon was an active young man in his youth Running Cross Country and playing in the Band for Powell Valley High and Lee County Generals. Jon graduated from Powell Valley High School class of 1996. After graduation he joined the United States Army where he served his country honorably. He also served as a military contractor. His time in the military he served Kuwait, Qatar, Baghdad, Bolgrim Afghanistan, and South Korea. Once he returned to the stateside, he continued his education accumulating 241 college credits. Jon was employed by Lee County Public Schools and Mountain Empire Community college as a teacher. He enjoyed his farm life and being outdoors, he loved his family deeply and will be sorely missed by everyone.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Annie Grimes

Left to cherish his memory children: Alexis Jessee & husband Austin, Derrick Grimes, Preston Grimes, Dominick Grimes, Madi Jo Grimes, Olivia Grimes, and Kadence Grimes, his fiancé' Sarah Grace Jones, grandchildren, Asher and Archer Jessee, siblings; Sabrina Grimes, Sheri Gosling & husband Paul, Jessica Woodruff and husband Patrick & Nikki Legg, his father Rick Grimes, grandmother Polly Collier, aunts, Toni Herron and husband Allen, uncles, Darrell Collier and wife Pam, nephews, Parker Pitman, Skylar Pitman & wife Kyle, Joshua Carroll & fiancé' Taylor Sturgill, Luke Stidham and wife Abbie, Kaleb Mink, nieces, Chelsey Herron, Annalyse Grimes, Marissa Gosling, Azreal Woodruff, Amaris Bowmen, other close relatives and friends too numerous to count.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, for the visitation from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Holding Funeral Home (17. E. 3rd. St. N.) in Big Stone Gap.

The funeral service will be conducted at 3:00 p.m. in the funeral home's chapel. The National Army honor guard team and the Local V.F. W. and D. A. V. will conduct full military honors.

A memorial video has been created for the family at:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/GPCZ28J76BMLMLWS>

An online register is available for the family at www.holdingfuneralhome.com

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Jonathan Israel Grimes.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.
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Service

MAY 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Holding Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Jonathan "Jon" Israel Grimes*



Holding Funeral Home, Inc. - May 07, 2024 at 10:25 AM

DH

“ *Was a good friend in school. Had a lot of memories with him growing up as a teenager. Fly high my friend you will be missed...*

David Huffman - September 14, 2024 at 03:49 PM



“ I was lucky to have Jon as a neighbor and mentor for the better part of a decade. At a time when I was struggling with the transition from adolescence to adulthood, Jon was always willing to engage in conversation and provide his insights and guidance. He was also a great critical thinker who possessed a breadth of knowledge that we would all be very lucky to even come close to in our lifetimes. On numerous occasions, Jon enthusiastically helped me with projects pertaining to computers and vehicles. In addition to his practical skills, he also was great at sensing the mood of others in a room and inserting humor when necessary. Whether he was listening intently, performing card tricks, or delivering long jokes with great punchlines, Jon knew how to uplift stressed individuals and make them feel welcome. The world has lost a great worker, and more importantly, a great person. Praying for all of the family members and friends affected by his loss!

-- June 30, 2024 at 08:07 PM



“ Was an amazing teacher, mentor, and friend!
Very thankful for all he taught me in High School about computers.

Praying for friends and family!

Tyler Crusenberry

Tyler Crusenberry - May 07, 2024 at 02:25 PM



“ prayers are with yall.

lis wade davis - May 04, 2024 at 10:37 AM

YF

“ Your Petsense family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jonathan "Jon" Israel Grimes.



Your Petsense family - May 03, 2024 at 08:06 PM

YF

“ Your Petsense family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jon" Israel Grimes.

Your Petsense family - May 03, 2024 at 08:06 PM

LH

“ I am in shock! This is heartbreaking!!!! I worked with Jonathan at LCCTC. He was just an awesome person! He had such a great sense of humor. His eyes always sparkled when he spoke of his kids and family, which was almost every other sentence. The world has lost a great soldier! We have lost a great friend. My husband and I both thought the world of Jonathan! May God be with you in the days to come and give you the peace your hearts and souls need. We will always remember him with a smile and a laugh of his stories. Our hearts and prayers are with you!

Lisa and Gene Hopkins - May 03, 2024 at 08:21 AM

SG

“ Happy days! My heart!!



Sheri Gosling - May 03, 2024 at 08:09 AM

SG

“ Fantastic trip to Dollywood with Jon! He always knew how to make me laugh!



Sheri Gosling - May 03, 2024 at 07:26 AM

KM

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



kaleb mink - May 02, 2024 at 10:41 PM

SG

Love these so much!

Sheri Gosling - May 03, 2024 at 08:10 AM

SG

never stops hurting... -sgj

sgj - September 02, 2025 at 11:22 AM