John “Johnny” Jones

February 18, 1977 – February 20, 2024



The memorial service for John “Johnny” Jones was held on Saturday, February 24, 2024 at Zion Reformed Church in Amherst, SD. Rev. Hal Phoenix will officiate the service. The family ask those attending the service to dress casual.

John “Johnny” Allen Jones was born February 18, 1977 in Britton, SD to Doane “Miller” and Linda (Severson) Jones. He attended the school for the deaf in Sioux Falls, SD until he was 14. He returned to Amherst and completed high school in Britton, SD.

Johnny was someone who was always tinkering with many different things. He did not enjoy sitting still for very long. Over the years he worked many professions, including the Ford garage in Groton, SD and a farm hand for some time. For his entire life he suffered with renal disease but he never let that slow him down - he kept fighting every day until the end of his life.

Johnny passed away Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at Avera St. Luke’s in Aberdeen, SD at the age of 47.

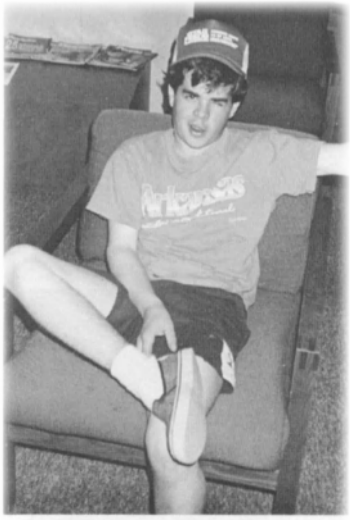
He is survived by his fiancé, Becky Varner; his sister, Joyce (Daniel) Himanga; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, aunts and uncles.

Preceding him in death are his parents, Miller and Linda Jones; maternal and paternal grandparents; and two brothers.

Condolences may be directed to the family in care of Joyce Himanga – PO Box 151 – Ipswich, SD 57451.



John Jones



John Jones relaxing after a hard day at school.