



Von Young Moody

February 11, 1951 - September 26, 2021

The family of Von Young Moody of Washington, Utah is saddened to announce his passing on September 26, 2021, at the age of 70 years. Von Young Moody became the ninth child and seventh son to Emerald Lester Moody and Mary Young born on February 11, 1951, in Payson, Utah. He earned the nickname of “Laughing Boy” as a child because whenever people gave him any attention, he would give them a big smile and start laughing. Throughout his life Von always found ways to make people laugh and he always found humor in the things around him. He is known for his infectious laugh and smile.

In November of 1961, Von was rushed to the hospital to learn he had diabetes. Luckily, he survived the coma he was in, and has since been recognized as one of the longest living diabetic on record!

Von enjoyed music and theatre in high school. He was in many musicals and loved getting laughs from the audience playing the lead roles of Hugo in “Bye, Bye, Birdie” and Denny in “It’s a Great Life!” He began singing in the 8th grade choir and upon graduation traveled to Europe with the I.C.E.S. (International Culture Exchange School.) He graduated from Delta High School in the top twenty of his class.

Von had a strong belief in God and that he hears and answers prayers. He had a firm belief in the restoration of the Gospel and as a youth he was baptized and confirmed as a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He earned his Duty to God Award and Eagle Scout. He served a

two-year mission for the church in the California Central Mission. He served valiantly in many callings, but his favorite was leading the music in Sacrament meetings to the ward members alongside his wife, who followed his quick baton on the organ! His biggest pet-peeve was when hymns were sung too slow. He'd always be humming a measure or two quicker than what was being sung! Von loved visiting and serving in temples. He worked in the St. George Utah Temple for several years.

Von enjoyed sports and played tennis with his brother, Layne, racquetball with his brother, Richard, and skied with his friend, Tom. He was the athletic manager for his high school football, basketball, and track teams. He was an excellent statistician and loved helping the coaches. He was an avid Ute fan and could tell you all their stats and all the other colleges as well.

Von earned his B.S. degree from Weber State College and M.S. equivalent degree in Pharmaceuticals from University of Utah. He served as an excellent Pharmacist for 40 years in various pharmacies along the Wasatch Front, Uintah Basin, and Washington County.

Von met his sweetheart at a choir rehearsal in the Institute of Religion at Weber State College and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple on June 10, 1977. Singing is what brought them together and that is what they have enjoyed doing together ever since. They sang with the Weber State Institute Choral and Men's & Women's Chorus. They sang in the Mormon Youth Chorus and when they moved to Southern Utah, they continued singing together in the Heritage Choir. They have been fortunate to travel on musical tours with the choir to China, Ireland, Europe, and Italy. They shared their musical talents with their children, Melissa, flute; Melody, viola; Emily violin & piano, Daniel, Saxophone; Samuel, drums; Benjamin, bass, and Jordan, violin. Music brought much joy and happiness to Von throughout his life. Von loved life and was always up for an adventure. He especially enjoyed playing with his own children and his grandchildren. After having three girls and three boys of his own, he chose to adopt two granddaughters. His children and grandchildren gave him great joy.

Von is survived by his wife of 44 years, Darlene Jane Poll, and their children Melissa (Christoff) Orr, Melody, Emily (Gary) Nunley, Daniel (Aimee) Moody, Samuel (Maria) Moody, Benjamin (Steph) Moody, Jordan Moody, Tabitha Moody, and 27 grandchildren. He is also survived by his siblings: Lester (Joan) Moody, Andrea (Jack) Neilson, Ken Moody, Paul (Joy) Moody, Alison (Ross) Johnson, Jon (Susan) Moody, Layne (Leann) Moody, and Elizabeth (Brent) Hellewell. Von was preceded in death by his parents Emerald Lester Moody and Mary Young and brothers: Richard (Carolyn) Moody, and Ralph (RhoAnne) Moody, grandson Gabriel Moody, and daughter-in-law, Harmony (Gwen) Rasmusson Moody.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 2nd at 11:00 am at the Northbridge Ward building, 1080 West Arlington Street, Washington, Utah. A viewing will be held on Friday, October 1st from 6:00-8:00 pm and Saturday, October 2nd from 10:00-10:45 am at the Northbridge Ward building. Interment will be held at Washington City Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Washington City Cemetery

200 N. 300 E.
Washington, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Northbridge Ward Chapel
1080 W Arlington St.
Washington, UT 84780

Viewing

OCT 2. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Northbridge Ward Chapel
1080 W Arlington St.
Washington, UT 84780

Funeral Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (MT)

Northbridge Ward Chapel
1080 W Arlington St.
Washington, UT 84780

Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Tribute Video in memory of Von Young Moody*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - October 07, 2021 at 12:24 PM

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“ *My earliest memories of Uncle Von were when he was a teenager. He was fun loving and made things fun. I remember his performance in Bye Bye Birdie, he was so funny. He seemed to carry that humor through life. When he went on his mission, it was impactful to me in sewing the seeds of wanting to serve a mission when I grew up. Likewise when my Uncle Jon and Uncle Layne served, Jon before and Layne after. Jon, Von, and Layne, they were the 3 musketeers it seemed, lighting the path for a young nephew. Each of my Aunts and Uncles were like this. But Jon, Von, and Layne were the uncles most close in age to me. Later, I would see Uncle Von less frequently, usually at the Moody reunion, I was always struck by how happy he was to see us arrive, making us feel as though our arrival had made the reunion. Conversations were always upbeat, filled with energy and humor. I'm grateful for his impact in my life, his kindness, humor, and especially his faith in God and in the Savior Jesus Christ. His love for his family was sure, and that extended to the greater family as well. In grateful to have such a good uncle.*

Ken Nielson - October 02, 2021 at 03:11 PM

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He, Brent Farnsworth, my twin sister and I were in a quartet in high school. We had fun rehearsing and performing in different programs and competitions. There was one song that we could never get through without laughing. At one of the competitions we were doing well right until the end when we burst into laughter. Our adjudicator gave us a 1- and in his comments he said good voices blending well as the positive comment. The weak point the surprise ending!

Trish - October 02, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ *My last interaction with Von was on August 10, 2021, when he and Darleene served in the soup kitchen at Switchpoint with myself and two other volunteers. On that day he dished up over 100 servings of Cheesy Ham and Rice Casserole for hungry people in the community. It was fun to listen them talk about their family as we worked together that day. Tracy Camit*

Tracy Camit - October 02, 2021 at 12:12 AM

DM

Von loved to serve and was grateful for the opportunity to serve in the soup kitchen that you had a part in offering! Thank you.

Darlene Moidy - October 03, 2021 at 07:55 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memorial Video*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - October 01, 2021 at 04:20 PM

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“ *The news of Von's passing leaves my heart heavy and sad. Although our interests and pursuits, in later years, took us down different paths my memories of our childhood friendship are cherished. Living only 2 blocks apart we were the best of friends and spent our days together finding all kinds of adventures to explore and do. I thought he lived in the coolest house in town with so many places to explore, the corral, the "barn" the tennis court, and the boy's long bedroom upstairs. The souvenirs from his brother's mission to New Zealand, the family connection with Brigham Young, the sliding doors to the living room, and the family playing Monopoly together in the TV room fascinated me. The Moody family was so welcoming. As the years have passed I've thought of those times often with warmth and joy. Von and his family were people I loved when I was so young. To his family, thank you. I pray for our Father's comforting Spirit to be with you in knowing Von lives on and is with you... with us all.*

Larry Rpss - September 30, 2021 at 03:11 PM

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It seems my typing skills have diminished some... Larry Ross (not Rpss)

Larry Rpss - September 30, 2021 at 03:12 PM

DM

Do you have any pictures of you and Von when you were younger?

Darlene Moidy - October 03, 2021 at 08:00 AM



“ *Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Von Young Moody.*



September 29, 2021 at 08:55 PM



“ *Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Von Young Moody.*



September 29, 2021 at 08:23 PM



“ *Love getting to know von Moody and the smile on his face very nice person to meet and talk to christina Lopez*

Christina - September 29, 2021 at 06:40 PM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Von Young Moody.*



September 29, 2021 at 11:49 AM

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“ Von's laughter and smile were contagious. He always had a good word, a good laugh, and good wishes for everyone around him. It was such a joy to be back door neighbors.

He and Darlene have been such examples of strength and good will in this world. We are tremendously grateful for them--and for raising such beautiful children. We consider it profound blessing that Dan and our daughter found each other.

It is heartbreaking to see him go and our prayers are that the whole family will be comforted in this grievous time.

Gary and Karla Huntsman - September 29, 2021 at 11:49 AM

DM

We are so blessed to have you in our lives Karla & Gary. Lots of good laughs when you guys are around! Von was thrilled when Dan found Aimee and He could now Rest In Peace knowing that now Dan would be happy through the eternities!

Darlene Moidy - October 03, 2021 at 08:30 AM