



Troyce Paul Bridger

December 13, 1968 - June 24, 2012

Troyce Paul Bridger was born to James Jackson Bridger and Janet Rose (Rott) Bridger on Friday, December 13, 1968 at 12:07am at the Hospital in Crete Nebraska attended by Dr. Robert Quick, and named for his great uncle Mr. Troyce Smith, was called home to our Savior on Saturday, June 23, 2012 in Bronson, Kansas at 5:05 pm at the age of 43 years. He was the fifth of seven children born to Jack and Janet.

Troyce's adventures in poultry, livestock, work, and play took him around the country and world, but he always considered himself a lifetime resident of his hometown Crete, Nebraska. He graduated in 1987 from Crete Jr/Sr High School, and attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Doane College.

Troyce or Troy as he was often called, was a modern day horse trader. Whether you were looking for the best tile or tool, partridge Cochin bantam rooster, or who had the best Dorset wether lambs, he was the guy who could help you find what you wanted at a good price. The world held no strangers for Troy, there were only deals he had not yet made or new friends he was always happy to help...it seemed like he knew everyone.

Troyce was preceded in death by his grandparents James Hurssell and Pauline Elizabeth (Jackson) Bridger of El Dorado Springs, Missouri; as well as, Bohumil (Barney) and Hope (Bartunek) Rott of Grand Island, Nebraska.

He is survived by his parents James and Janet (Rott) Bridger of Crete; and the following Siblings, Nieces, and Nephews: Rose Marie Bridger-King of Crete, Khrystal (King) and James Harrod of Crete, Ashley King of Lincoln, Jaymes King and Annie Hill of Corpus Christi, Texas; James (Jim) Bridger, and children Amanda, Mykayla, Katelyn, and James Bridger of Gainesville, Texas; Jodie (Bridger) Jasper and Larry Olena of Geneva, Dillon Jasper and Niki Willard of Lincoln, Dustin Jasper and Kristine Filkins of Crete, Abbie and Macie Jasper of Geneva; Sherol (Bridger) and Dave Rankin with their son Benjamin Rankin of Elkhorn; Julie (Bridger) Viger and children Aaron, Casey, Donavin, and Evan Viger of Crete; Jennifer Bridger with her son Nigel Bridger of Crete; 6 Great Nieces and Nephews, Carter, Cayden, Paytin, Jazmin, Maci, and Karsin; As well as numerous Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins.

A Celebration of Life Service will be Friday at 2:00 p.m. at the Heckman Auditorium on the Doane College Campus, Crete, Nebraska. A Remembrance Service will be held on

Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Crete. Interment will be in the Riverside Cemetery in Crete. Visitation will be Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Kuncl Funeral Home in Crete.

Tribute Wall

DA

“ To the Bridger family, Troy was such a good guy to work with. He was so kind and caring. I am so sorry for your loss.

Deb Argo - July 08, 2012 at 01:33 PM

PM

“ My Prayers and Thoughts go out to his Family. Troyce was a great guy, always smiling and having nice things to say, his outlook on life was so wonderful, it made me happier just talking with him. He will be missed. May God take him in his arms and hold him. Blessings also to Bob Cummins and family.

Pam Miley-Taylor - July 07, 2012 at 11:00 AM

DN

“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Bridger family. I hadn't seen Troyce in a number of years, but just the thought of him brings a smile. He was truly one of a kind and knew no strangers. May God grant you peace at this difficult time.

David Nelson - July 03, 2012 at 12:35 PM

MK

“ Please accept my deepest sympathies. Troy was a great classmate and friend. And everyone remembers his smile which speaks volumes about Troy. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Mark Kovarik - June 29, 2012 at 11:16 AM

LG

“ My thought and prayers go out to the family in this time of sorrow. God will now watch over him.

Linda Gewecke (Emily,Robby)

Linda Gewecke - June 28, 2012 at 01:17 PM

JM

“ Our deepest sympathies go out to the whole Bridger family! I haven't seen Troyce in some time but every time I saw Aaron or Casey at school I would think about how much they looked like him. He will be missed.

Jenny (Sueper) Muff - June 28, 2012 at 12:36 PM

LN

“ I haven't seen Troy in years. This is so sad. Thoughts are with the family.

Leslie Norris - June 28, 2012 at 10:49 AM

SM

“ Troyce was a friend and classmate. I can not remember a time when Troyce didn't have a smile on his face or a story to tell. He was one of the good guys always willing to lend a hand. Troyce, you will be missed.

Sandra Manley - June 28, 2012 at 10:17 AM

BV

“ We would like to extend our sympathy to the Bridger family. We were so sad to learn of Troys passing. Think we first met Troy at the Saline County fair when Bob was the FFA teacher at Wilber. Bob loved Troy's knowledge of all fowl, especially chickens. Later we would see him at the State Fair and other bird shows. Troy always had a line and as the obituary says, he was a real "horse trader". We are so glad that, in this life, our paths happened to cross with Troy's. We are much richer for knowing him. Hope the thoughts and memories of others bring you comfort in the days to come. Very Sincerely, Bob & Beth Vrbka and family.

Bob & Beth Vrbka - June 27, 2012 at 11:04 PM

NG

“ Troy was a great guy, always made everyone smile and told good stories. Troy will be missed by all who was blessed to know him. I wish peace and prayers to Troy's family in this time of need.

Nancy Gilbert - June 27, 2012 at 08:23 PM

LD

“ My deepest sympathies go out to Troy's family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Troy will surely be missed.

Laura Degenhardt - June 27, 2012 at 07:25 PM

DE

“ I went to Crete High with Troyce. He was in my sister, Rebecca's class. I remember him as always being kind to everyone and always having a smile on his face. I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers. With deepest sympathy.

De Robinson Emigh - June 27, 2012 at 06:38 PM

SK

“ Troyce was one of a kind. His humor will be missed.

Sandy & Max Klaudt - June 27, 2012 at 05:58 PM

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“ To the family of Troyce, he was a friend and classmate and a wonderful guy. He picked on me in high school but always made me laugh! Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Very sorry for your loss. The world was a better place with him in it.

Nikki Caudill (Eno) - June 27, 2012 at 05:57 PM

TS

“ Sorry for your loss. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers. Troyce was a nice guy and a good friend. May the God of All comfort, comfort you all during this time.

Tammy Steer - June 27, 2012 at 05:23 PM

CF

“ Words can not say how sorry we are for the loss of Troyce. He was a great person and a joy to talk too. I worked with Troyce for several years at Nestle and am very happy to have had the opportunity to get to know him. Our sympathy's. The Fey's

Craig and Amy Fey - June 27, 2012 at 05:20 PM

PA

“ My grandson, Curtis Underwood, spoke very highly of Troyce and how Troyce made a positive impact on him during the short time they knew each other. My heart goes out to you, the family, for your tragic loss. But know we are thankful that Curtis learned from Troyce that to live his life to the fullest will make every moment count!

Pam Ackerman - June 27, 2012 at 03:07 PM

MM

“ To all the Bridger Family, My heartfelt sympathies in the loss of your loved one, Troyce. May God give you comfort and healing in these trying days and in the future. God Bless!

Mary and Marv Mullaney - June 27, 2012 at 02:41 PM

BV

“ Our prayers are with your family at this time of grief. Bill always had great things to say about Troyce. I never had a chance to meet him, but understand he was a great guy. Please know he will be missed.

Bill and Bonnie Volker - June 27, 2012 at 02:18 PM

BC

“ Troyce was a friend and classmate he will truly be missed by all. Are thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Brian and Brenda Carnes - June 27, 2012 at 02:14 PM

JN

“ knowing he is in our Father's arms and looking down smiling at all he has done and for the ones he knew! may you rest in peace and know you will be missed here!!!!

Jody null - June 27, 2012 at 01:47 PM

DK

“ My deepest sympathies.. I can't imagine your loss, but I am sure you have many wonderful memories with Troy... He will be missed.. He was one of the good guys.

Deborah Klaudt - June 27, 2012 at 01:41 PM

RA

“ We were so sorry to hear the news of Troy. He was always so happy and kind. Sending prayers and thoughts to the family at this time. ~Robin and Curt Allgood

Robin Allgood - June 27, 2012 at 10:58 AM

KM

“ You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Troyce always had a good story to tell!

Kimberley (Nicholson) Mundil - June 27, 2012 at 09:36 AM

AB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Troyce's family during this time. I had the pleasure of working with Troyce for several years at TAP Enterprises (Cummins Tools). He was a good friend and had an uncanny sense of when I needed cheering up and he would pop by and see me or call and make me laugh. He was a good man and those that knew him will miss him. May the family have comfort in his memories. I know I will never forget his smile or laugh....

Amy Barenklau - June 27, 2012 at 09:01 AM

PR

“ *Troyce Paul Bridger*

Pete Rosenkrans - June 26, 2012 at 07:06 PM

KB

“ *Sherol, Dave, Ben, and the entire family, Please know that even in this great loss the Lord is there to provide comfort to you.*

Konni in den Bosch - June 26, 2012 at 01:27 PM