



James Arthur Dyche

May 8, 1959 - April 19, 2015

James Arthur Dyche, 55, of North Fort Myers FL, formerly of Topeka, passed away Sunday, April 19, 2015 at a hospital in Fort Myers. He nearly died in 1999, under strange circumstances, from which he never recovered, resulting in total kidney failure, without the possibility of transplant. He loved his sons and wanted to be there for them as long as possible. No doubt our Lord answered his prayers in that respect.

Jimmy was born May 8, 1959 in Topeka, the son of Gerald C. and Elena M. Dyche. He attended West Avondale School, Jardine Middle School and Topeka High School and art classes a couple of summers at K.U., before and after graduation from high school. He was faithfully married for over twenty years until a divorce occurred. Jimmy was a multi-talented and creative man. He enjoyed both drawing and painting, he could play the piano and organ by ear, but became best known for a blog he wrote for the Topeka Capital Journal under the title of "Vent". Creative, opinionated, and witty he had thoughts on a wide variety of subjects and topics which touched the minds and hearts of many readers and other bloggers. Never rude or overbearing he had a poetic way of making people think about his point of view even if it was not their own. He will be sadly missed. Jimmy worked as an equipment operator for Lee County in Fort Myers in the department of transportation until his health forced him to take early retirement. Everyone loved him!

Surviving Jimmy are his parents, Jerry, Cape Coral FL and Elena, Topeka KS; children Brandon James, Sarasota FL, Robert Lewis, Fort Myers FL, and Christopher Aaron, Fort Myers FL.; his paternal aunt Mary; Uncle Lewis; their children and grandchildren whom he loved dearly. Also, maternal cousins Jonathan and Jessica, as well as Jaume, Horaci and their progeny, all of Catalunya.

Visitation will be Friday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. with a Memorial Service at 7:00 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Inurnment will be Tuesday at 2:30 pm at Penwell –Gabel Cemetery, 3616 SW 6th Ave, Topeka KS 66606. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions are suggested to Municipio de Cardenas en el Exilio; Ex-Alumno de “La Progresiva” en el Exilio; Liberty University; or First Baptist Church of Lyndon left in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Penwell-Gabel Cemetery

3616 SW 6th Street
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Arthur Dyche*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - May 07, 2015 at 11:21 AM



“ *James Arthur Dyche*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *James was such a good friend to me, back in the late 70's and 80's. I had not seen him in many years. His talents were vast. It was amazing watching him work on his statues, paintings and sketches. He could certainly amaze you with his talents on the keyboards, as well! What a sweet person he was. He will be greatly missed! My thoughts are with you, Elena. My prayers go out, to his entire family.*

Jane Firestone - May 18, 2015 at 03:20 PM

LB

“ James was one of the kindest, gentlest souls around. Not to mention talented and creative. Hadn't seen him in 30 years, but think about him often. My condolences to Elena and his family I never met.

Lisa LaRue Baker

Lisa LaRue Baker - May 16, 2015 at 04:28 PM

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“ I have many great memories of growing up with Jimmy. I will treasure these forever. Elena, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you!

Marissa Roberts

Marissa Roberts - May 08, 2015 at 04:23 PM

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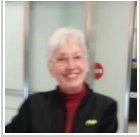
“ Jerry and Elena,
Gayle and I were deeply saddened when we learned of Jimmy's passing. He was just 9 days older than our twin sons, Michael and Patrick, and I'm sure we share more than a few happy memories of the days when they were all just little boys. The tribute video is beautiful and quickly brought tears to our eyes. We are so sorry for your loss and will remember you in our prayers. Grace and Peace be with you.

Glen and Gayle Yancey - May 08, 2015 at 12:54 PM

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“ Jim (Vent), We all enjoyed the opportunity of getting to know, respect, and appreciate you as a good friend, even though most of us on-line never met you personally! Rest in peace my friend and God bless your family!

O.P. - May 05, 2015 at 11:22 PM



“ *Vent: Although we seldom agreed on our political views, you were always cordial and had a very good sense of humor. I will miss our verbal sparring matches. RIP*

Marie Barton - May 05, 2015 at 03:37 PM



“ *Jimmy is my cousin. I have not seen Jimmy since his journey began with his disease. But I know for sure he never lost his sense of humor. Jimmy was a true artist at heart, extremely creative and talented. I'm sending you my deepest love and wish you a safe journey on your new path without pain. You are free now, go with love in heart and when we meet again I know you will have a new story to tell me. That story will be full of laughter. I can see I smile on your face now. You always had a smile on your face. I look forward to that day, Jimmy. Go in peace and know you are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Love, Deborah Dyche Colfax

Deborah Dyche Colfax - April 26, 2015 at 09:23 AM