



James Wayne Yancey

December 20, 1976 - April 22, 2024

James Wayne Yancey, son of Stanley Wayne Yancey and Barbara Anne Gibson Iams went to heaven to be with his Savior on 22 April 2024. He will be greatly missed.

James Wayne Yancey was born on 20 December 1976 in Spokane Valley, Washington. The majority of his primary & secondary education years were spent in the Medical Lake School District, Medical Lake WA living with his maternal grandmother during the school week (Patricia Anne Oliphant). He thrived in the very structured environment and smaller school district. James enjoyed music, movies, and drama. Upon graduation from Medical Lake High School in 1996 he then went on to obtain an Associates Degree in Communications and Broadcasting from Ricks College, Rexburg, Idaho.

James struggled with the day-to-day realities and responsibilities of adult life. The world around him moved way too fast and he had a hard time focusing. He worked primarily in the service sector. His favorite job was clerking at Blockbusters, Inc. – he loved helping customers select their movies. He also enjoyed working in the college radio station as a DJ.

James is survived by his parents as mentioned above, Mark T. Iams (step-dad) Sarah D. Yancey Morgen (sister) of Granite Falls, WA, Patricia A. Oliphant (grandmother) of Spokane, WA, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Tribute Wall

MI

“ James knew every Alanis Morissette song and very possibly every movie ever made. He never knew a stranger and always seemed to see the good in everyone. He was always a friend to me, quick to call me beautiful or a goddess when I was feeling down on myself. Even when he was sad he was the first person to laugh and say something positive to everyone else. I grieve the passing of James, even though I had not seen him in many years. Condolences to his family



Misty - July 21, 2025 at 10:45 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of James Wayne Yancey.



May 02, 2024 at 10:06 AM

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“ When he was a young boy (around 10 or so I think) he came to my house for the day. I think we were having spaghetti and he just wanted plain noodles, no sauce. He told us that he was a "meatatarian". My boys thought that was funny and they started saying that when I would serve vegetables they didn't like!

I also remember attending your wedding Barbara and how excited James was to sing at your wedding. You could see how much he loved you and wanted you to be happy!

With much love, Pennie Hartley

PENNIE M HARTLEY - May 02, 2024 at 09:58 AM

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Mark - April 29, 2024 at 03:57 PM

MI

My dear friend. Love you so much. My heart hurts💙

Misty - July 21, 2025 at 10:30 PM

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Mark - April 29, 2024 at 03:53 PM

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Barbara Anne Gibson Iams - April 29, 2024 at 02:22 PM

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Barbara Anne Gibson Iams - April 29, 2024 at 12:56 PM