



Vinnie R. McCullah

March 27, 1967 - December 9, 2022

Vinnie Ray McCullah was born March 27, 1967, and went to be with our Lord on Dec 9, 2022. Born in Miami, Okla., to George and Dolphyne (Blevins) McCullah. He spent his early years in and around Miami. Before leaving Northeast Oklahoma, Vinnie's little sister Celya was born. His memorable response to having a little sister, "Raspberries!"

After moving to Stratford, OK, Vinnie found himself a star in the classroom, at science, as an athlete and in FFA. Vinnie quarterbacked the Stratford Bulldogs, won many science fair awards, and starred in several plays. He held many FFA offices, loved raising pigs and showing cattle and earned his state and American Farmer degrees. Somewhere before he graduated at the top of his class from Stratford High in 1985, he gained a full grown (foster) brother, Larry McMillian, whom we would lose too early. Larry and Vinnie would go on many an adventure around the small farm south of Stratford. They were the perfect amount of mischief.

During boot camp at Ft. Leonard Wood, Vinnie was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. He fought diabetes head-on and valiantly for so many years. Enduring many complications and struggles, Vinnie never complained. Eventually, he would pass from complications of the disease.

Vinnie married Michelle Standifer in May of 1988 in Sulphur and welcomed son, Cody, in April of 1990. Degrees would follow, along with jobs and a move to Mayes Co., Okla., saw the birth of daughter, Cami, in 1995. While that marriage didn't last, but Vinnie's love for the outdoors never waned. He'd rather be fishing or hunting than around people. Perhaps one of his favorite jobs was working with water quality for the creeks in Oklahoma.

He'd marry DeAnna Peña in 2009 and be graced with two lovely bonus daughters, Lexi and Tori. DeAnna and Vinnie parted ways and Vinnie moved to Grove to offer comfort and support to his mother.

Vinnie would become a proud Pops to Brailynn and Leia through Cami. And Tori blessed him with Verlaine, Valianna, and Vilexxia. The mere mention of any of those girls would put a huge smile on his face and you could hear pride in his voice when he talked about them.

Those who knew Vinnie appreciated his quick wit and love of sports, music, the outdoors and science. He also enjoyed westerns and 80s movies. His quest for large bucks and the big fish was never ending. He was just a bit accident prone, taking many ambulance and helicopter rides. Just recently he joked with a nurse it'd be easier to tell them what bones hadn't been broken. Vinnie was a little ornery and loved teasing. He was the king of bad dad jokes.

He leaves behind his beloved beagle, Rocky. He survived by his parents, Dolphyne McCullah of Grove and George and Jill McCullah of Pryor. His children, Cody McCullah of Grove, Cami Phillips, Tori Gonzalez of Chicago and Lexi Peña of Pryor. His granddaughters - Brailynn, Leia, Verlaine, Valianna, and Vilexxia. His sister, Celya and husband, Chris Glowacki of Fishers, Ind., bonus sister, Joni Mitchell and husband Cody of Pryor. Nephews, Kane and Gabe McCullah. Aunt, Peggy Blevins, cousins Wade

Blevins and Brian McClellan. And numerous extended family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his brother, Larry McMillian. Grandparents Betty and Walt McCullah and Dolphus and Mozelle Blevins. And other relatives and pets he has missed and grieved.

Family memorial services will be held at a later date.

Donations may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation in Vinnie's memory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Vinnie R. McCullah*

October 04, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ *My most heartfelt condolences to Vinnie’s family & friends. Vinnie was one of our early science fair competitors. His senior project involved chicken processing plant effluent & it’s impact on a fresh water stream. He did hours of research, water sampling, data collecting & writing his paper. Vinnie was one of my best & hardest working students. He also loved to have fun & flash his beautiful smile. I can hear him laughing & see him smiling. God did indeed bless me with Vinnie who was a bright light in my classroom & my life.*



Juanita Matthews - December 11, 2022 at 12:40 AM



*My love, my prayers are with the families of Vinnie Mac.
The only thing death cannot take from us is our sweet memories.*

Sam Davis - December 11, 2022 at 09:53 AM