



Coywayne Stephen Fuller

January 2, 1951 - December 18, 2021

Memorial Services for Coywayne Stephen Fuller, 70, of Longview, will be held at 2:00 pm, Thursday, December 30, 2021, in the Chapel of McWhorter Funeral Home.

Coy was born January 2, 1951, to Horace McCoy and Ruby Mary Borque Fuller, in Van Nuys, California and passed from this life, December 18, 2021. Coy grew up in Beaumont, Texas and graduated from South Park High School. He was a professional musician and played the drums with Grass Roots, Buckhorn, Rusty Wier and other bands. He played with Scott McGill, Scott Hoyt, Zona Jones as well as numerous musicians mostly all over Texas and Colorado.

Those left to cherish his memory are his brothers, Rodney Fuller and his wife, Dee Dee, and David Fuller and his wife, Louellen; others include nieces and nephew, Chantal Ramber, Michael Fuller, Catherine Fuller as well as numerous cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Greggton Missionary Baptist Church, 201 Twilight, Longview, Tx 75604.

Please visit Coywayne's on-line registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home
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Gilmer, TX 75645
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<https://www.mcwhorterfh.com>

Tribute Wall

MH

“ *Julie was the husband of Coy and they have a lovely daughter, Kaitlyn. Please remember her in your thoughts.*

Maurice Hillier - December 30, 2022 at 03:22 PM

TR

There must be some mistake. CoyWayne never had any kids. Yes, Coy had been married 3 times. But NEVER had any children with any of them.

Terry Robbins - December 30, 2022 at 03:41 PM

MH

Hello Terry, it's not appropriate to continue this conversation here, please send me a private message to maurice.hillier@icloud.com. Thanks.

Maurice Hillier - December 31, 2022 at 10:01 AM

SH

Coy came to visit me about a year before he passed. We knew each in Beaumont but went to separate high schools. Coy talked about how sad he was about never having any children. IF this girl is his daughter, he never knew anything about her.

Sherry Hightower - January 28, 2025 at 01:50 PM

CF

“ I met Coy ' China Boy' Fuller in Wales in 2001 when Lightning Red & Thunder Blues were on tour in the UK. Coy was a sweet, kind and deeply compassionate person and he touched the hearts of everyone who met him in the UK.

I am deeply saddened by Coy's death but Coy will live on in my heart forever. Coy has gone to the angels but his light shines on.....

*Carol Farmer
Wrexham
North Wales*

Carol Farmer - January 11, 2022 at 09:37 AM

BN

“ Coy was a brother musician and always uplifting when my spirits were low and had me laughing the rest of the time. As we ere both from Beaumont, it was in Austin that I played the most music with him and his then even some church music. He is now drumming with angles. God bless his family.

Byron Neathety - January 01, 2022 at 06:35 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Coywayne Fuller Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - December 30, 2021 at 06:58 PM

ML

I will miss the sweet messages my classmate and childhood friend, Coy, would send me. God bless you Coy.

Martha Leo - December 31, 2021 at 01:24 PM

TR

I am absolutely shocked and completely numb ! I just spoke with Coy on the telephone a few months ago, I knew Coy for 22 years as I met him in 1999.

Coy was my soul mate Brother, my co-musician in many bands, a roommate, and just like family in more ways than I can explain.

I knew Coy had been having health issues for quite some time, but Coy didn't think they were fatal.

I'm numb..... Terry Robbins

Terry Robbins - January 03, 2022 at 05:46 PM

DF

“ *Dee Dee Fuller lit a candle in memory of Coywayne Stephen Fuller*



Dee Dee Fuller - December 30, 2021 at 06:03 PM

CC

“ *Oh that sweet boy! I met him in 1970 in Crystal Beach, Texas. He was drumming with a band at "The Ark" a Christian get together place for kids vacationing there. I was there with my teenage sister and all the girls thought he was adorable! He had the sweetest mannerisms and best personality. Bet he became a devoted Christian..he was surely a candidate..well that means I'll see him in heaven! Rest in peace, Coy 🕊️❤️ God bless his family and may God speed to them that "peace that passes all understanding"❤️*

Carol Chilton - December 29, 2021 at 09:34 PM

HH

“ So many great memories with Coywayne! Too many to count! He was there at my doorstep right when I was getting a divorce and had to be out of the house with my baby girl and preschool girl; he moved me from Sour Lake to Orange with many trips in his liite white truck. God Bless you silly drummer boy friend. He was one of the few whom called me to check on me every few months. My brother Scott and I were looking forward to seeing him again when we play in Henderson in January. God called him home though. He knew Jesus, so that gives me peace.

Helen Hoyt - December 29, 2021 at 05:10 PM

KB

“ Cherish my memories with my cousin Coy! You were a sweet soul and will be missed! Rest In Peace-you were loved!
Kathy

Kathy Bell - December 29, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Coywayne Stephen Fuller.



December 29, 2021 at 02:24 PM

JA

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Jackie - December 28, 2021 at 06:26 PM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - December 28, 2021 at 04:55 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Coywayne Stephen Fuller.



December 28, 2021 at 04:53 PM

CF

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Catherine Fuller - December 27, 2021 at 07:11 PM

JB

“ I met Coy in 2007 when I had travelled to Austin to visit with another musician friend. Coy was a pleasure to meet with and to have great conversations about some of his music projects. Over the years I stayed in touch with Coy on a somewhat regular basis from my home in New Jersey. Coy was always a kind person who meant well for everyone around him. I loved talking with him when he could throw in a joke or two that would take a serious conversation to total laughter and a different understanding viewpoint. My other friend Dave and I worked on developing a recording band project with Coy, "Peace Elephant Trio" and it went very well year after year. Coy's talent could put together drum tracks with incredible feeling to bring songs to higher level. He was one of the best musical souls with deep inspiration that I have ever known! I will miss his clear transparent conversations (and jokes) that always meant so much to me on a personal and professional level. He was truly a great man!

God Bless Coywayne and I do look forward to seeing him once again...

"JetLag" Jerry Benz - (Coy gave me that nametag many years ago)



Jerry Benz - December 27, 2021 at 11:33 AM

SB

“ Sincere condolences, Jerry and Sue Benz purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Coywayne Stephen Fuller.



Sincere condolences, Jerry and Sue Benz - December 27, 2021 at 10:33 AM

NH

“ I loved talking and visiting with Coy. He was a very kind and caring man. He will be missed.

Nancy Hahn - December 26, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Coywayne Stephen Fuller.



December 25, 2021 at 01:29 PM

DB

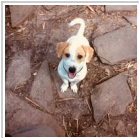
“ Met him in 1967 when I auditioned for the knights and Daze. Loved playing with those guys. I used to go over to his house and wake him up to go to the music store. He might not have liked it, but never said anything. 😊 Coy was just a very nice person and I love him much. We would hang out some at Phillis Liddles house which was by his house. Anyway, Coy is a great person and a great drummer. We will meet again. God is good. 😎🙌💖🎵🕊️🙏

David Brown - December 24, 2021 at 01:54 PM

DJ

I met Coy through Phyllis Liddle...back in the '60's. He was with Knights N Daze. My family lived in Port Bolivar and so began our friendship. The band would play gigs at the beach. My sister, Lois, was one of the ring leaders of "The Ark" and I was always so thrilled when Coy's group played there. Great memories. We touched base briefly when I moved back to Texas but I never made it out to see him. Sitting here on this New Years early morning with Lois I thought of Coy and contacting him once again...to find the man who I hadn't seen in over 45 years yet still call friend has departed this world. I hope to see him one day soon. God Bless Coy and all those who know and love him.

Diana Osburn Johnson - January 01, 2022 at 03:17 AM

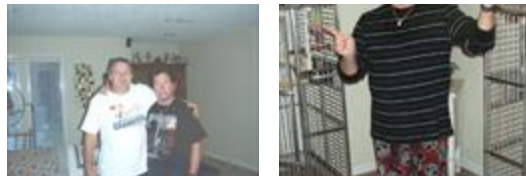


“ *Cousin Coywayne was a very Spiritual, Talented, and Gentle Soul. He was the true representation of the fruit of the spirit in the Fuller family. Coy, save a seat for me.*
John O'Fiel , Nita's Son

John O'Fiel - December 24, 2021 at 01:19 PM

CR

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Charles Randall - December 24, 2021 at 09:21 AM



“ *I knew Coy from South Park High School. He was a great person and friend to all. He will be missed by many. My heartfelt condolences to his family.*

Doyle Jenkins

Doyle Jenkins - December 24, 2021 at 05:33 AM

MS

“ Coy was the sweetest, funniest good hearted person ever! Magical drummer! He was my brother and i loved him very much!!! Coy i will miss you terribly! ❤️

Monique Smith - December 23, 2021 at 01:50 PM

DK

“ So saddened to hear the news of Coy’s passing. He had a wonderful ability to make everyone around him feel special.

I offer my condolences to Coy’s family. He will be missed.

Dede Keith - December 23, 2021 at 10:36 AM

CD

“ Coy was always so nice to be around....a great drummer/musician & friend....

Carol derousell... Beaumont, tx

Carol derousell - December 23, 2021 at 10:00 AM

TW

“ So sorry to hear this news, Coy was a lovely kind man and a great drummer. He stayed with us when they played our blues club and we thoroughly enjoyed his company. God bless you Coy. You will be sadly missed.

Many condolences to his family and friends.

From Louise and Terry Williams. (drummer)



Terry Williams - December 23, 2021 at 09:29 AM

TD

“ Coy and I grew up together, went to South Park High school and he lived down the street from me. Coy was the influence for me to start playing drums. I'm sorry to hear of his passing. Sincerely, Terry Drumm

Terry Drumm - December 23, 2021 at 12:59 AM

RL

I loved his uplifting attitude, going and watching him play. I still have the drum sticks he gave me. You will be missed 😞

Renee Muirhead from LTISD - December 23, 2021 at 10:40 AM

JJ

“ Used to a neighbor in 60 70s delivered newspaper to my mom on Terrell st

joe jones - December 23, 2021 at 12:35 AM

FB

“ Coy was a dear friend. I will miss him so much. He always had something funny to say he kept me laughing. We met several years ago, lost contact for a while but we rekindled a better friendship than before and have been close for a few years. I am going to Miss him terribly. I will see you again one day Coy. Rest Easy. Hug your friends and loved ones cause you never know when it will be your last time.

Fay Broussard - December 22, 2021 at 09:53 PM

DS

“ I played in a band with Coy for a couple of years in the late 60's. We both graduated from South Park and I got to visit with Coy when he came to play at the YMBL fair in Beaumont a couple of years ago. I had not seen Coy in over 50 years. He was the best drummer I have ever played with or known; a very talented man. He was fun to be with, smart, a caring person and always a smile on his face.

May you RIP, fly high and keep on drumming!

David W. Smith

David W. Smith - December 22, 2021 at 09:41 PM

LN

“ Prayers for Coy's family and friends. So sorry for your loss.

Lon Nesom - December 22, 2021 at 09:36 PM

CK

Condolences to Coy's family and prayers for God's comfort in your time of loss. I knew him since the 7th grade. He was a nice guy and a talented musician. Always smiling. So sorry to hear of his passing.

Craig Kavanaugh - December 22, 2021 at 09:59 PM

JC

God blessed Coy with an AMAZING talent and Coy blessed us by sharing that talent and Gods word. RIP my friend, I know you are enjoying your reward while we suffer your loss.

Jerry Clifton - December 23, 2021 at 07:48 AM

GS

I met Coy while playing with him in a band. What a wonderful man and a great friend. My condolences to his family and friends as he will be sorely missed.

George Storey

George Storey - December 23, 2021 at 10:24 AM

DC

I'm devastated by this news! Coy was not only my brother in the Lord but was one of my closest dearest friends. My heart and prayers go out to his Family. Coy called me to say goodbye and shortly after passed away. He knew God was ready to take him. And now he has gone for his reward healed from all the pain and mental torment he suffered in this life time. I want to share the last line of this poem turned to song I'm dedicating to not only Coy ,but to all those who have lost loved ones. Entitled When a Loved One Dies

*When a Loved One Dies
it's there graduation day
they have crossed to the other side
cares of this life passed away
but we will see them once again
in the place where there's no death and there's no pain!*

God bless you Coy on your journey to your new life! I'll always cherish the good times we had and your special gift as a drummer!

You'll be greatly missed by all of us!

Dave Crane and the Peace Elephant Band

David Crane - December 25, 2021 at 12:59 AM



I lived at 2789 S 5th & Coy & I were great friends. He was a Super nice guy & will be sorely missed. Coy came over to my house the first night he got his first snare drum & we beat the heck out of it.

Austin Fontenot - January 05, 2022 at 01:16 AM

KA

I knew something was wrong when I hadn't heard from Coy is over a year. We met in 1981 and stayed connected the rest of our lives. He was an incredible joy, a light like no other. I am so beyond sad that I didn't get to say goodbye, but I know we will meet again. I am so sorry Rodney and David. I know he love you and your families so very much. I am heartbroken. I never ever stopped loving my Coyboy. - Kat

Kathryn Albright - March 16, 2023 at 05:35 PM