



Roy I. Spray

June 26, 1971 - November 19, 2023

Roy I. Spray, age 52, passed away on Sunday, November 19, 2023. Born on June 26, 1971, in Austin, TX, to Dave R. Spray and Janice Spray (Gurley), Roy was a cherished soul who lived a life filled with love, laughter, and adventure.

Roy attended L.C. Anderson High School and later pursued his education at Austin Community College in Austin, Texas. Throughout his life, he embraced each day with enthusiasm, living it to the fullest. He loved to travel and was a tremendous music lover.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jennifer Gipson Spray, and his son Nathan Spray of Austin, TX, brother Gary (Rainey) Spray of Ingram, TX, mother-in-law, Rita Lally of Round Rock, TX, father-in-law, Ronnie Gipson and brothers-in-law, Brad (Charity) and Jeff Gipson, Mexico, MO, sister-in-law Ashley Gipson of St. Louis, MO, and beloved kitty, Oliver. He was preceded in death by his mother, Janice Spray, and brother, Robert Spray.

In lieu of a traditional service, the family asks that you honor Roy's memory by

celebrating the joy he brought into your lives. Share stories, play his favorite tunes, and remember him with a smile. Donations can be made in Roy's name to Austin Pets Alive.

Tribute Wall

DJ

“ Roy, Roy, Roy, Roy, Roy, Roy, Roy my heart misses you already! I would not have remembered our first “fight for power” if you did not remind my family & me through out the years. What power did we fight for? Well the All-powerful Webb Elementary 6th grade presidency! What else! You would re-tell the story with so much animation & life that we all were transported back in time to 1982. And each time, the story ended with laughter & joy & you showing your true heart - giving glory to someone other than yourself. THANK YOU ROY SPRAY!! I will miss our H-E-B encounters, seeing your smile, seeing you with Jennifer, hearing the story - which my baby girl just told me that she remembers hearing in our H-E-B, and most of all seeing your life force that you so willingly shared with the world to make it a happier, more smiling, more loving place!!! That “you” will be missed!! THANK YOU ROY

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David Houston, Jr. - November 26, 2023 at 12:19 PM

FP

“Damn, this is rough. Most of the memories I have of Roy, are those that weren't necessarily legal in nature, but damned if I didn't have some incredibly good times with that dude. I'm sure y'all will agree that Roy was an astoundingly positive guy. And one of the things I admired him most for, was his respect for me even though I was an underclassman. Most of the dudes that were older, pretty much knew me as Rivers little brother, and treated me that way. Not Roy. He saw that I could dance and would get me in clubs all around downtown, brag me up, and treated me like I was a homeboy. He and Jennifer have always been some of the genuinely nicest people amongst those I've known from my youth. Jennifer, my heart goes out to you and the fam, as well as the kitties. All my love to yall dear.. Roy, thanks man. I mean that. Look out for us and may you find some semblance of rest ol friend. R.I.P. Roy Spray

Forest Blue Perry - November 22, 2023 at 02:40 PM

HE

“Oh Roy, so full of character and life! I'm so lucky to have known you when we were kids and again in recent years. Thank you for being you. So many times you made me think and laugh. Today, I cry. The world has lost a bright light. My sincerest condolences to Jennifer, Nathan and their families. I'll be donating to Austin Pets Alive today.

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Heather - November 22, 2023 at 02:50 AM

MC

“I'm so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. We grew up in the same neighborhood and went to school together, although he was a year or two younger than me. Condolences to the family.

michelle carroll - November 21, 2023 at 09:27 PM

JS

“ Roy and I worked back-to-back (literally) at Club Kaos, his Bar faced the dance floor and mine faced the wall that led to the restrooms. A tight crew, 5 white guy Bartenders workin at a Latino disco owned by a cpl of middle Eastern guys -we were the United Colors of Benetton 1995-2000. I loved Roy, he was my first friend in Austin and he'd call me on Monday nights from F Emos with "there's this Dude, I think he's a DJ from Detroit" yea, that was Kid Rock and the next time would be "eh, there's this all-girl band playing Ramones covers" yea, that was the Donnas. We'd all play cards in the back of the Elephant Room drinkin White Russians and hit Star Seeds under the freeway for breakfast tacos, always tippin' the Kitchen like ballers. MC 900 Ft Jesus was our favorite "band" and he introduced me to King Coffey (Butthole Surfers) -we all knew and loved Leslie, too. I could go on forever, I loved my time in Austin & Roy was a big part of it -A Hui Hou brother, see ya down the road

James Shoemaker - November 21, 2023 at 07:44 PM

FP

James, you touched on a lot of the things I remembered most of Roy. Thanks for the reminiscence of some damn good times with Roy. He will be missed.

Forest Blue Perry - November 22, 2023 at 02:21 PM

DW

“ The first photo was a photo that was sent to me when Ron, Mike, Roy, and Jennifer got together for the first time in years. Second photo is a yearbook photo.



deanna wollenzien - November 21, 2023 at 05:32 PM

DW

“ Roy has always been a loyal friend since the day I met him at Anderson High School. He’s always stayed in touch, checked in, and always put the effort in as a friend the old fashion way. I’m so sorry for you Jennifer and for Nathan. Rest in peace, dear friend. Your random conversations and nostalgic conversations will be missed.

deanna wollenzien - November 21, 2023 at 05:17 PM

CH

“ I’ll miss his random “drunk” calls! He said it “drives Jenifer crazy, when I drunk call people”then he laughed. We’d talk about life’s happenings, how much he loves Jenifer. Our conversations would contain a lot of laughter & never a complaint .He’d ask about my life, what & how I was doing. We’d laugh about Junior high and high school life. What a great guy! He will be missed! What an honor to be have been on his “drunken call” list.

Consuelo Herrera - November 21, 2023 at 02:08 PM