



Douglas Bryce Bohrer

July 24, 1957 - January 9, 2025

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Douglas B. Bohrer left this life peacefully Thursday morning Jan 9th, 2025 of natural causes.

Doug was born July 24th 1957 . Was the son of the late Bryce and Velma McFadden Bohrer and the brother of the late Gregory 'Flash' Bohrer growing up in the heart of downtown Proctor, WV. He is survived by many cousins, mostly close to and also centering in the proud village of Proctor. Doug was a 1976 graduate of Magnolia high school, he played sports and participated in many high school related extracurriculars.

Doug was an avid sports fan, some would say he was a walking encyclopedia with knowledge of just about all of the good players that played for high school and college teams in our tri-state area. He and his brother Flash and their friends would often travel to go witness the great players and teams from these schools. Doug and his brother attended the West Virginia state boys basketball tournament watching most all games for over 40 years and also attending neighboring states H.S. tournaments when their schedules allowed. Doug and his brother were also over 40 year active members in the Magnolia High School sports boosters, raising money and tending to the extra needs that the sports teams needed. He also worked for nearly 50 years at the local railroad yard , ironically right beside his brother Flash. The two were basically inseparable throughout their lives and their overheard conversations were extremely comedic and would always have listeners chuckling in disbelief.

They were very entertaining indeed, ribbing each other incessantly. it was , at times, just simply 'hilarious' to listen to them two, if only it could have been recorded!

Everyone that knew Doug loved him just almost like a family member. He knew and had more friends than most. He was known throughout his circle for his comedic "brycisms" that were often quick-witted sayings with a sense of humor that only he could understand, and they were often compared to the witticisms and homespun humor of Will Rogers. Often after hearing a 'brycism' the listeners could be heard saying "he sure aint no Will Rogers', but they would get lost in thought digesting the deepness of the metaphoric "brycism" that they just heard. He could fill a book with them.

Doug was an avid bowler, authoring 5 or 6 perfect '300' games. He would bowl many nights a week including traveling bowling teams to local tournaments. He was also a decent summer league ball player participating in softball and basketball. He made each team just a little bit better. He also bragged about being a good swimmer and claimed to have swam across the Ohio river in his younger days which is not an easy feat. No one ever claimed he didn't!

The stories about Bryce from his many legion of friends could go on and on and on, they could honestly entertain almost endlessly. He was loved and liked by almost everyone he ever met. He was kind and thoughtful throughout his life and he always wanted his friends to know how much he liked and loved them also, most often done not by words but with his thoughtful deeds when someone just needed a thoughtful deed. He will surely be missed by many, and his friends lives just won't quite be the same without Bryce on their radar any longer. He was truly 'one of a kind'!

May God bless his soul and May He Rest in Peace.

Friends will be received on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 11am until time of service at 2:00 pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville, WV, with Pastor Mike Shank officiating.

Interment will be in Palmer Cemetery Proctor, WV

Memorial contributions may be made to Proctor Christian Church 312 Plum St. Proctor, WV 26055

Please use this address to stream the funeral service Tuesday at 2:00 pm for Douglas Bohrer

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Cemetery Details

Palmer Cemetery

Proctor, WV 26055

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville
751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
(304) 455-1800
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

JO

“ So sad to see this. What I remember most about Bryce was his car always being filled with hats in the back window! Many, many years ago, I made the mistake of agreeing to run the New Martinsville summer basketball league one summer and Bryce was always a valued intermediary whenever things got out of hand, which was quite often! His kindness, generosity and easy going way left an impression on everyone who knew him, and I always looked forward to reading his witty Facebook posts in recent years. With Bryce, there were no strangers, just old friends and new friends. Rest peacefully!

John - January 13, 2025 at 08:49 PM

SM

“ Sandy McFadden planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bryce Bohrer.

Sandy McFadden - January 13, 2025 at 10:58 AM

SM

“ Sandy McFadden purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas Bryce Bohrer.



Sandy McFadden - January 13, 2025 at 10:58 AM

BA

“ I grew up with Bryce (I called him Dougie more often than Bryce) in Proctor and have stopped in to see him over the years as I returned to visit family. He kept me up on the Proctor and Magnolia News. I have fond memories of adventures with him skating on the backwaters, playing all around town tag, building tree houses, playing baseball with the old Eller’s garage as a backstop and the train tracks as the home run fence, biking around town, basketball under the street light by his house, and so many more things we did together over our early years. He was a great part of my life in my growing years (as well as were his mom, dad and Flash). One of my best Proctor friends whom I will miss. Heaven has now welcomed him as he reunites with his family whom he has missed so much these past years. See you again Dougie... 🙏🏻

Bill Athey - January 12, 2025 at 04:46 PM

DT

“ Bryce was one of my biggest supporters. He loved his sports and especially his Blue Eagles! From the time I played in high school, until now (coaching in Morgantown) Bryce always supported every event or fundraiser that we had. He found great joy in our success and always let us know how proud he was of us. I will for sure miss my conversations with Douglas Bryce Bohrer. Rest in peace my friend!

David Tallman - January 12, 2025 at 01:36 PM

TP

“ Douglas "Bryce" Bohrer A true friend!

Doug and I first met in 1968 and shared quite a ride, (Oh the stories I could tell!), Though moving away over 36 years ago our friendship endured, frequent phone calls and my infrequent visits home to see my family. Doug always made time to visit at my mother's home (though the supply of Miller Lite in Mom's garage fridge may have been another reason) Doug always had time for his friends.

He was a kind soul whom I'll miss dearly as will all who had the privilege of knowing him. Oh! the stories we ALL could tell!

Rest in peace my brother.

Tim Pfohl

Tim R Pfohl - January 12, 2025 at 11:28 AM

DT

“ *I have so many memories of Bryce that I could fill a book. Bryce was a wonderful friend but he was a little uncouth sometimes. We were bowling at Riviera Lanes in Bellaire and we were in the bar and he let out a really big belch. The bartender looked at him and said that was really gross. Bryce looked at her and said what do you expect from a face like this. Another time I was staying at his house and we came back from the moose after drinking 1 or 10 adult beverages. He was sitting in the easy chair and bent down to untie his shoes and he told me he would be upstairs in a few minutes. The next morning his mom told me that when she came downstairs, he was still bent over with his hands on his shoelaces snoring. Bryce was just a good old boy and I will miss the times we had together. Rip my friend. You will always be in my thoughts and in my heart.*

Douglas E. Tuskey - January 11, 2025 at 04:14 PM

DU

“ Dugger purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Douglas Bryce Bohrer.



Dugger - January 11, 2025 at 02:48 PM

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“ Dugger planted a </store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>>Memorial Tree in honor of Douglas Bryce Bohrer.

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JK

“ I haven't seen Brice in years, but every once in awhile up here in Moundsville his name will come up when we start telling old slow pitch softball stories from the 70's and 80's. I infamously walked Brice late in a tournament game with the bases loaded at Bruce Park. Brice was coaching first base in an already late inning lopsided game, and his team called upon him to pinch hit. I believe our Moundsville team (EEDA) had already come through the loser's bracket and just wanted to take our 2nd place money and go home.. Well, Brice had to come over take his time put on batting gloves (which were kind of rare back then), swing 2 or 3 bats before he stepped up to the plate. I was having none of it and said "Walk him". Obviously, everyone yelled, "But the bases are loaded". It didn't matter to me. I had already decided to do something memorable, and it has stood the test of time up here in Marshall County.

Unfortunately for all of us in the end, TIME always wins. I'm hoping Brice had a great life during his years on this earth, and I thank him and the others I played ball against during the hey day of softball for making a lot of memories for me. My condolences to all of his many friends and family.

Jay Knapp - January 11, 2025 at 10:41 AM

CL

“ Sorry to see this. Bryce was well thought of and a true fixture in town. May he rest in Peace.

Curt Lindner - January 11, 2025 at 09:24 AM

BA

“ Doug and I grew up together in Proctor and I loved this time In our lives. We knew everyone in our little Community "Flash" Doug's Brother made us feel like Professional Players in our Sandlots... Doug was always a protector of us little kids. When I visited home I always would head to "Downtown Proctor" and knock on The Mayor's Door... Doug would chat and catch me up on The Area and people. I will miss our Visits... I know Doug missed his Brother and Parents and I know there was a Grand reunion... R.I.P. Bryce.

Bob Athey - January 11, 2025 at 07:04 AM

BS

“ Greg and I lost a good friend when Bryce died. He will be missed not only by we two, but by many others. He was a wonderful man, just a pure soul. Rest in peace dear friend.

Becky Swords - January 11, 2025 at 12:07 AM

GS

“ Douglas Bryce "DR"Bohrer was the most loyal friend that I have ever had. We both knew that the other could always be counted to be there when needed. In 1991 when the flood waters were rising, Becky was living on West Duerr. Brother Tom and I went to help secure her belongings and relocate stuff. Shortly after we got there Bryce showed up with one goal; to make the job easier. He stayed until we had it secured, and then went with us to my house on South Maple to help there as well. He also returned after the flood waters subsided. This was the definition of a great friend, and a normal way for Bryce to show who he was. Just one of the numerous things that he did to make my life better. We moved to NC after 22 years in Wheeling, and our association dwindled a bit, but when I got back to Bigville we always tried to get together. We would sit in a restaurant somewhere and talk for hours. My only regret about Bryce was that I wasn't with him in the recent past. God bless him. He now gets to spend eternity with his Dad, his beloved Mother and best friend, brother Flash. Rest in Peace my good buddy. I will never forget you.

Greg Swords - January 10, 2025 at 06:35 PM