



Mr. Albert Lee Grosscup Jr.

January 23, 1958 - May 1, 2015

“Please allow me to introduce myself, I’m a man of wealth and taste...” (Rolling Stones)

On Friday May 1, 2015 the world lost one of its many greats. Albert “Alby” L. Grosscup Jr. finally admitted defeat and gave in to his nearly year long battle with cancer. Born January 23, 1958 to Rose and (the late) Albert L. Grosscup Sr. Alby always made his own rules. ALWAYS. Alby grew up in Baltimore, Maryland where he was a self-proclaimed “trouble maker”, then a boxer, organizer and guitar player in a band and once he settled down, a father. In his adult life Alby was a carpenter and contractor by trade and later became a nomad by choice.

He had an infinite love for the outdoors, traveling, hiking and camping and chose to live his later years doing just that. He traveled all over the country swinging hammers, slinging whiskey and making friends wherever he went during a vast portion of his life until he finally settled in the Brooktondale, NY area with his faithful companion and partner-in-crime Ann (Annabelle) Davis and became his community’s handy man.

Alby had stories for any occasion that often sounded like “Big Fish”, but the man would only share them if you were working next to him, drinking a tasty libation with him or sitting fireside listening or really any other time there was a break in the conversation. “Just as every cop is a criminal and all the sinners saints...” Alby was not without his faults. His temper could be as fiery red as his hair once was but beneath that temper and all his stories- the man had a heart of gold, skills and knowledge that rivaled the best and a stubborn personality that could humble the most stubborn.

He is survived by his mother Rose, Brother Mike, daughter Amanda- her two children Jordan and Jemma, son Sean, Several cousins, aunts and late in life “partner in crime and adventures” Ann Davis as well as SO many extended “family” and friends including The Scott clan and Kisloski family.

He died as he lived- stubborn, fighting and surrounded by whiskey drinkers. Enjoy your

next adventure, Alby, wherever your travels take you- you are missed by so many.

“A wandering one day he came, a Gypsy man was he
Through our lives and our homes, his name we called –Alby
He pounded nails and some brews always quite responsibly
Friendships and projects he did build throughout our community
The tales he told of how he lived echoed of legacy
Remembering the times we spent, the world will miss Alby” ~Caleb Scott~

A service in Alby’s honor will be held Wednesday May 6, 2015 at Wagner funeral home in Ithaca from 2-4pm. All are welcome to come share a story, a smile, a hug, a tear or perhaps a shot of whiskey...

Events

MAY **Visitation** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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Herson Wagner Funeral Home

110 South Geneva Street, Ithaca, NY, US, 14850

Comments



“ i love u brother! i am beyond sad to learn u have passed on... i have many fond memories of u to hold on to buddy. hope yer playin yer songs on a hillside in heaven!!!

Mike Rambo - September 28, 2016 at 02:30 PM



“ My Dear Albert:

I was wondering why you have not contacted me for awhile. Thank you for being so good to me and being such a wonderful protective friend. I will never forget the talks we had and our time together. You always made me laugh. Another angel in heaven, say hello to some of the people we know. I am sorry I did not know you pass away but my children and I will hold you dear to our hearts. You added so much and taught me to trust. You will always hold a special place in my heart
Diane

diane - July 22, 2015 at 02:09 PM



“ I am very sad if this is my friend Albert. We were very close and I have not seen him for years but he always found me, by phone etc. If someone from the family could please let me know if this is my friend. I been looking for him for awhile. If this is my friend, he is a wonderful man, and was a great man to me.

Diane Perry - July 22, 2015 at 01:47 PM



“ Gracie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert Lee Grosscup Jr.



Gracie - May 18, 2015 at 12:39 PM



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Every morning he and Gypsy would grab whisky, water and his homemade spear and hit the mountains, just the start of a typical day in New York for Alby and his dog

AnnMarie Davis - May 14, 2015 at 05:10 AM



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Jim Conway lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert Lee Grosscup Jr.



Jim Conway - May 10, 2015 at 04:42 PM



“ Thank you Jim.

AnnMarie - May 14, 2015 at 05:06 AM



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Always had a blast with Albert at family get togethers, and holidays going miss u big guy!!!

kyle - May 09, 2015 at 08:07 AM



“ Hi Kyle, thank you for the memory. Ann

AnnMarie - May 14, 2015 at 05:06 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Becky Caulk - May 08, 2015 at 09:18 PM



“ Hi Becky. Thank you for the pic, would love a copy of that.

AnnMarie - May 14, 2015 at 05:07 AM



“ I met Albert only a few times through the Chenoweths. Seemed like a good guy. So sorry to hear of his passing. My deepest condolences to his family.

- Garry

Garry Reck - May 08, 2015 at 08:32 PM



“ Thank you Gary

AnnMarie - May 14, 2015 at 05:11 AM



“ He loved his dog, Docs Gypsy girl. His mountain climbing buddy, long hikes just the two of them and always first on his mind upon waking. I miss them both.

AnnMarie Davis - May 07, 2015 at 06:51 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to our mom Ann Davis and Albert's family and friends. He is finally at peace after his difficult battle with cancer, and hopefully all will feel a sense of relief at the thought of that.

-Larry Schimke, Jr Family



Michele Schimke - May 06, 2015 at 08:52 AM



“ Thank you honey.

AnnMarie - May 14, 2015 at 05:12 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Albert Lee Grosscup Jr..



May 06, 2015 at 08:08 AM



“ I wish I could come to this service. There are no words to describe what this man has meant to me and my children. He literally saved our lives and put himself out to save a friend from self destruction. The memories of his unselfishness, kindness, and his lively stories will never be forgotten.

Kathy Pitkevits - May 05, 2015 at 10:49 PM



“ Many Hugs and prayers to you Ann and the family. Albert will always be in our memories one of our fave customers. From the crew at Dandy Mini Mart in Slaterville

Tina Haag - May 05, 2015 at 04:48 PM



“ L lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert Lee Grosscup Jr.



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