



Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis

July 10, 2001 - October 22, 2022

Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis, 21, of Nowata died Saturday, October 22, 2022, in Nowata.

Cody was born July 10, 2001, in Rogers, Arkansas. He was united with his forever parents Mark Wayne McMillan and Dede Edwards just six weeks later. Cody was raised in Bartlesville and was always curious, exploring the world around him. His Dad remembers many times coming home to find Cody tinkering around and taking something apart that had broken, and oftentimes Cody could get it going again. From a young age Cody developed a passion for the outdoors. He loved heading out with Dad to Osage Archers Range and Bow Shop, especially during deer and turkey season when the local hunters came in to check their game in. Cody was an excellent marksman and enjoyed deer, quail and turkey hunting.

Cody also enjoyed playing video games, cooking, and occasionally showcasing his oddball humor. He was excited that he had finished his welding training and was starting a new job at Oilfield Pipe and Supply. He liked to stay busy and had worked at Greg Getty's Concrete, learning all aspects of pouring and finishing concrete. Mom remembers Cody was always ready to help out, loved his family and was fun to hang out with. Everyone who knew him will miss his sweet smile and can-do spirit.

Cody is survived by his father Mark Wayne McMillan and Sheila; mother Dede Edwards and Charles; 5 siblings, Mark McMillan Holdeman, Kendal Catlin, Paddy Catlin and Jeff, Brandon Wilson and Holly, and Suny McClure and Charles; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his grandparents and sister Sierra McIntire.

Services will be held on Wednesday, November 2, at 10 a.m., at the Word of Truth Fellowship, with Pastor Jim Anderson officiating. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis*



Davis Family Funeral Home - October 31, 2022 at 05:06 PM

LM

“ *I'm so sorry an have no idea what to say???*



Lawana Morris - November 07, 2022 at 02:55 AM

DE

Thank you, nothing anyone can say!

Dede - November 07, 2022 at 08:14 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis.*



October 29, 2022 at 05:03 PM

VW

“ I’m so sorry for your loss thoughts and prayers are with the family



vickie wickham - October 29, 2022 at 12:25 AM

CK

“ I never actually knew him personally. Saw him around the church. If he was anything like his mother he was truly a remarkable and caring young man.

Connie Kight - October 26, 2022 at 06:04 PM

DE

Thank you 💜

DeDe Edwards - October 28, 2022 at 08:14 AM

CK

“ Connie Kight lit a candle in memory of Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis



Connie Kight - October 26, 2022 at 06:00 PM

RT

“ I met Dakota last week during his orientation at OPS in Dewey. Just in the little bit of time that I was able to spend with Dakota, I sensed that he was very special. He was a "breath of fresh air", so young and excited to be a welder. He was so proud of himself. My prayers go out to his family and friends. Dakota truly touched my life.

Rhonda Traywick - October 26, 2022 at 05:31 PM

DE

Thank you, He was truly excited!

DeDe Edwards - October 26, 2022 at 05:39 PM

DE

Dakota was an amazing kid, he loved hunting, fishing, cooking, and goofing around in his car! He was my son!

DeDe Edwards - October 26, 2022 at 05:41 PM

RT

Oh, I am so sorry for your loss, DeDe. My heart just breaks for you. Was Dakota a believer?

Rhonda Traywick - October 26, 2022 at 05:50 PM

LM

“ Love, Dani, Hannah, and Molly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis.



Love, Dani, Hannah, and Molly - October 26, 2022 at 03:59 PM

CS

“ Cheryl Salerno purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dakota "Cody" Preston Willis.



Cheryl Salerno - October 26, 2022 at 01:14 PM