



## Bryan Ponder

August 13, 1967 - November 14, 2024

Bryan Ponder, age 57, of Colt, died Thursday, November 14, 2024, at his home in Colt. His death came sudden and unexpected.

Bryan was born August 13, 1967, in Forrest City, and was the son of Jerry 'Cokie' Ponder and Stella Hamrick Ponder Parish. He lived in St. Francis County most all of his life and was a professional painter. He was an avid Razorback fan and enjoyed calling the hogs. He loved Nascar, the Lord, sharing his personal testimony, and his church family dearly.

Bryan is survived by his mother, Stella Ponder Parish of Forrest City, two sisters; Sophia Ponder of Forrest City and Lisa Ponder Madalone, and husband, Jim, of Edgemont, Arkansas, his uncle, Grady Hamrick, and wife, Mary Beth, of Colt, two nephews; Christopher Ponder and Brandon Marrow, two nieces; Brittany Madalone and Morgan Ohler, and husband, Chase, two great-nieces, Maggie, and Katelynn, one great-nephew, Bentley, and several other family members and close friends.

Services will be held, 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel, with burial in Hughes Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday, 12:00, until the time of the service. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to [stevensfuneralhome.net](http://stevensfuneralhome.net) for the online registry.



# Cemetery Details

## Hughes Cemetery

Barrow Hill Road  
Forrest City, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 19. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home  
220 North Washington  
Forrest City, AR 72335  
(870) 633-5400  
[info@stevensfuneralhome.net](mailto:info@stevensfuneralhome.net)  
<https://www.stevensfuneralhome.net/>

## Funeral Service

NOV 19. 1:00 PM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home  
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## Interment

NOV 19 (CT)

Hughes Cemetery  
Barrow Hill Road  
Forrest City, AR

# Tribute Wall



“ Sincere condolences on behalf of the class of 1985.



Donna McShan - March 05, 2025 at 12:36 AM



“ Shirley Williams Thorn sent a virtual gift in memory of Bryan Ponder



Shirley Williams Thorn - November 19, 2024 at 10:46 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Bryan Ponder.



November 18, 2024 at 09:35 AM



“ Arkansas Flywheel Energy Friends purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bryan Ponder.



Arkansas Flywheel Energy Friends - November 18, 2024 at 09:14 AM

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“ Arkansas Flywheel Energy Friends planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bryan Ponder.

Arkansas Flywheel Energy Friends - November 18, 2024 at 09:14 AM

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“ We offer our Sincere condolences to Sophia, Stella, Lisa and the entire Ponder family. May God give you all strength during this difficult time. And may Bryan rest in love.

"The Sims Family"

Brenda Sims Brown - November 17, 2024 at 06:36 AM



RJ

“ Ray & Barbara Jackson lit a candle in memory of Bryan Ponder

Ray & Barbara Jackson - November 15, 2024 at 06:50 PM



CH

“ Bryan, you were my no. 1 when I ran for Mayor. You called me Miss Mayor. We would text often. He would encourage me and pray.

ChristyGross - November 15, 2024 at 01:10 PM

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“ Bryan and I knew each other in school. He always wanted me to sing at church, colt baptist. I sang his song without hesitation, we cried. He also worked on his testimony, he would text me and tell me how thankful He was that God had saved him. We would text of God's grace. He loved Jesus. I will miss texting him. But I will talk to you Bryan when Jesus calls me home, we will sing at The Throne together and Worship our King. Thank You Lord for Your grace

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**ChristyGross** - November 15, 2024 at 01:03 PM

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“ Stella, so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family. Love,  
Gloria Horton Moody

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**Gloria Horton Moody** - November 15, 2024 at 12:46 PM