



Kolby Hale

August 6, 2004 - February 22, 2024

Kolby John Hale, age 19 passed away on February 22, 2024, in his home. Kolby was born August 6, 2004, in Springfield, Missouri to John Hale and Tina Smith. He attended Bolivar School District and graduated in 2023 and worked alongside his father and brother at Quality Tree Service and most recently at Tracker Marine.

Kolby was one of a kind. He was the best. Kolby was there to take care of you and let you know that he loved you! He was dependable and never declined a call. Whether he was helping move a truck and trailer, helping with chores, mowing your yard, playing with the cousins, visiting grandpa and grandma, or just stopping by to check on you he was always there. Kolby was a helper, as his dad referred to him as a real hand, he often called him his Ace. He always made time for his people.

Kolby was ornery, fun and full of life. He liked to push the limits but that's one of the things we loved about him. Kolby had two speeds, whoa and go! He had a need for speed. He loved riding on anything with wheels, especially his dirt bike.

Kolby was a family man, family first above all. All the kids flocked to him. The cousins were always crawling all over him, teasing him and picking on him. The kids knew that Kolby loved them and they all loved him back.

Everyone loved Kolby's energy! He brought the fun, the joy, and the light into every room. He was always joking and had a mischievous smirky smile on his face. You could count on him to play a trick or a joke, anything to have fun. He was a hands-on, can-do man. He could do it all, even from a young age. He could drive and fix nearly anything! When he could barely see over the steering wheel, he could back a trailer better than most men. People were always amazed at his ability to figure out how to fix what was broken with whatever he had on hand. Just like his daddy.

Kolby was a great listener and you never wondered where he stood in a situation. He told you what he thought but stood behind you regardless of if he agreed with you because he loved you. He was a truth speaker, and he valued his family. He always worked to bring everyone together and have fun.

Kolby loved life! Kolby showed his love often by teasing you, showing up for you, and lending a helping hand. We suffered a tragic loss when we lost Kolby, there will never be another one like him. He was a good Man! He would want us to remember to hold your loved ones tight and remember the importance of family and friends and showing your love!

Kolby is survived by his father John Hale and Trish Berry; mother Tina Smith and Ryan Rauscher; siblings Jacob Hale and Mallory Templeton, Hunter Berry, Hailey and Katie Hale; Chayse Milam, and Brenden Hill and Noemi Moreno; nieces Lennox and Monica Hill, grandparents David and Nancy Hale Rose Edwards, Ronnie Smith, Great grandparents Pansey and Lonnie Smith and a host of aunts uncles and cousins: Kim, Steve, Elaine, and David, Katelynn, Dailynn, Annistyn, Koden Hawk; Jason, Jackie, and Codey, Hannah, Rilynn, Jaxie, Hallie Hale; Jay Follis; Julie, Dustin, Madalynn, Maveric and McCoy Jarman; and Melanie and Renner, Enzie, Landon Schaller, Cara Smith; and a host of extended family.

Kolby was preceded in death by his great grandparents Eugenia and LD Hale, Mayme and Marion Simpson, Bessie Jane, aunt Angela Follis, great uncles Joe and Donald Hale, great aunts Mary and Sheri Hale, and cousins Codey Joe and Adam Hale, and Robert Gordon.

Services for Kolby will be held Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at the Mabee Chapel on the SBU campus starting at 11:00 A.M. Visitation for Kolby will be Monday evening, February 26, 2024, from 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Kolby Hale family established at Mid Missouri Bank.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB **27**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Mabee Chapel
1600 University Ave
Bolivar, MO 65613
<http://www.sbuniv.edu>

Tribute Wall

RM

“ Rose and family, I'm wrapping you all in prayers of comfort and God's Grace and love. My most sincere condolences for your loss.
Rhonda Marttila



Rhonda Marttila - February 27, 2024 at 10:49 AM

JD

“ Sending our sincere love and condolences for your loss, Jim & Sue Davolt

jim Davolt - February 27, 2024 at 09:14 AM

KS

“ Kevin and Patty Stewart purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kolby Hale.

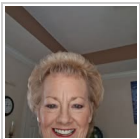


Kevin and Patty Stewart - February 26, 2024 at 04:09 PM

JA

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerald Andrews - February 26, 2024 at 02:27 PM



“ Thoughts and 🙏 prayers for the family

Linda Forgey - February 25, 2024 at 11:28 PM

JC

“ From: Jack, Lea Ann, Morghann and Cyrus planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kolby Hale.

Jack, Lea Ann, Morghann and Cyrus - February 25, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Kolby Hale.



February 25, 2024 at 04:30 PM

SS

“ steve sheldon lit a candle in memory of Kolby Hale



steve sheldon - February 24, 2024 at 10:28 AM

WJ

“ With love -Morgan, Alize, and Jasmine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kolby Hale.

With love -Morgan, Alize, and Jasmine - February 23, 2024 at 11:31 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Kolby Hale.*



February 23, 2024 at 11:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kolby Hale.*



February 23, 2024 at 10:32 PM



“ *Sandy F. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kolby Hale.*

Sandy F. - February 23, 2024 at 07:46 PM



“ *John & Debra James lit a candle in the memory of Kolby Hale. You will be missed Kolby.*



John & Debra James - February 23, 2024 at 05:03 PM

JJ

“ *John & Debra James lit a candle in the memory of Kolby Hale. You will be missed my friend.* ”

John & Debra James - February 23, 2024 at 04:20 PM

AB

“ *Ann Brauch lit a candle in memory of Kolby Hale* ”



Ann Brauch - February 23, 2024 at 02:21 PM

JA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. please know that you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.* ”

jerald andrews - February 23, 2024 at 02:09 PM

YF

“ *Your Tracker Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Kolby Hale.* ”



Your Tracker Family - February 23, 2024 at 12:29 PM

BF

“ It was a cold fall day a few years back and John talked me into taking a ride in his bucket. He said we could see 13 hwy from his drive. We were up in the air 45 feet or so and he was right you could see 13 highway. I wasn't dressed for this experience, it was about dark and really windy up there. Well John tried to lower us and nothing happened. Kolby was the only person on the ground. Kolby had been with his father when he had worked on it previously. Long story short, Kolby was able to connect some wires which allowed us to come down. At the time, for his age I was so impressed with Kolby. He was a great young man and will be missed by so many people.

Brian forgey - February 22, 2024 at 10:41 PM

LB

“ Linda Brannon lit a candle in memory of Kolby Hale



Linda Brannon - February 22, 2024 at 10:21 PM

JA

“ Jaxin A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kolby Hale.

Jaxin A. - February 22, 2024 at 10:05 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kolby Hale.* ”



February 22, 2024 at 08:51 PM