

## *Beat You There*

by Will Dempsey

I don't know why God always takes the good ones first  
And man I've tried to be strong and carry on, but damn this hurts  
And I just wish that I could talk to you again, somehow, some way  
Even if it's for a moment, so I can hear you say  
Don't cry for me; I'm alright  
Yeah, I'm better than you know  
And this life can be a shorter ride  
So don't waste it on sorrow  
And just hold on to those moments  
And the memories we shared  
We're both headed for the same place anyway  
I just beat you there  
I know they say, "Just give it a little time, you'll be okay."  
That might be true; it don't really help me today  
And we ain't supposed to question the Man upstairs  
'Cause there's just so much I don't understand  
It just don't seem fair  
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And as each day goes by I get a little bit stronger  
But that don't stop me from wishing you  
Were here a little bit longer  
And so I'm gonna smile when I think of you  
Like I know you'd want me to  
And I know you're watching over me  
In everything I do  
And all those things I never got to say  
Well I'll send 'em with this prayer  
Then look up, wipe my tears and raise my beer  
And I'll see you there  
And I'll see you there



*In Loving Memory of*

## **Jaramy James Gourneau Sr.** **a.k.a. Boy, Bullfrog, Jare Bear**

Sunrise: March 15, 1991

Sunset: May 21, 2023

### **Wake Services**

Fort Thompson Tribal Hall, Fort Thompson, SD  
7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 25, 2023

### **Funeral Service**

Christ Episcopal Church, Chamberlain, SD  
10:00 a.m., Friday, May 26, 2023

### **Casketbearers**

Victor Ziegler  
Jordan Ziegler  
BJ Thompson  
LaSalle Brown  
Caleb Langdeau

Zane Ziegler  
Josh Coleman  
Kyle Thompson

Jameson Ziegler  
Adrian Abernathy  
Joseph Thompson  
Tyler Jones  
Shane Fallis †

### **Honorary Bearers**

All of Jaramy's many friends and family.  
He had so many, too many to mention.  
You know who you are, what you were and meant to him

*Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*



Jaramy was born on March 15, 1991 to Lenora (Stuart) Langdeau and Frank (Wanda) Gourneau at the Northern Hills General Hospital in Deadwood, SD. His mom's "one and only". Jaramy made his journey on May 21, 2023 at the Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD at 6:37 am. One of his last wishes was to be an organ donor. He became a hero with his gifts of life by saving a 66 yr. old female with his left kidney and a 63 yr. old

male with his right kidney.

Jaramy was the BABY of the family with three older sisters: Sharonna LeCompte (LaSalle Brown), Shavonne LeCompte, Stephanie (Gourneau) Jones (Tyler Jones). He also had two younger sisters: Merisa Jandreau and Amy Loudner. Sharonna was also a mother to him. Jaramy's kids: Jaramy Jr., Jazzmyne, Brookelynn, and Trezure. Jaramy lived his life a free and wild spirit. He could not be tamed. He was a hellraiser and that he did very well. He had the broken bones to prove it. You probably heard a story about him or were a part of it. He had the ability to make you laugh 'til you cried or 'til your stomach hurt so bad you couldn't laugh anymore. He was always teasing and crackin jokes. His laugh was contagious. When his sisters needed him, he was always there. He took care of them like a big brother. He was all the kids' favorite uncle. He was the best uncle. He loved fishing, something he enjoyed doing with his Grandpa Steve. He also loved the outdoors and nature. He would dink around with things like carpentry, roofing, mechanics, etc... and was good at it, it came natural to him. He'd be bumpin Rapstar by Polo G on that cruise.



Jaramy Sr., was reunited on the other side with his Grandpa Steve, Grandma Lorraine, cousins Adrian and Anthony Gourneau, Great-Grandma Ruby Blaine, cousin Kira Fonder.

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