



Jonathan "Tut" Swindler

January 29, 1969 - March 19, 2019


Jonathan Cornelius "Tut" Swindler, 50, gained his wings on Tuesday March 19, 2019. Jonathan was the youngest of 3 siblings. Jonathan was born on January 29, 1969 in Johnson City, TN to the late Phillip C. Swindler and Ella Mae (Brown) Swindler.

Jonathan leaves behind 2 beloved sisters; Pamela Swindler of Johnson City and Phyllis (Carlos) Noaks of Norton, VA. ; Danielle (Jeremy) Byrd of Jonesborough, TN; nephew Derek Noaks of Norton, VA and great niece Elliot Byrd of Jonesborough, TN.

Additionally, he leaves behind aunts Queen Brown, Delcie Brown (and family) and uncle Boyce Young (and family); cousins (and running buddies) Cecil (CB) Brown, David (Carmen) Brown, and Trent Robinson, and a host of relatives.

Jonathan was educated in the Johnson City School System, graduated from Science Hill High School and received his license in Phlebotomy in Knoxville, TN. A lover of all types of music, he often worked as a DJ. A kind and gentle person, Jonathan never met a stranger. He was the type of person that would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it. When he was in a room you knew it because there would always be a group of people crowded around him laughing. His favorite pastimes were music, cooking and hanging out with

family, friends and his dog Fangus.

Last, but certainly not least, we want to thank special friends for being there for Jonathan - girlfriend Elisabetta Proietto, Consuelo "Sway" Capshaw, childhood friends Brendan Coleman, Todd Smith and Derrick Warren, Rodney "Ra Ra" Locke, Sarah Lilley, Scott Michael and others too numerous to mention - You Are His Family Too. Whether he realized it or not, Tut showed us all how we should love one another. Johnny Tut, you were truly one of a kind and you will remain in our hearts and memories. We Love You. 

A Home going service will take place on Thursday, March 28 at Thankful Baptist Church in Johnson City. The family will receive friends from 12:30 to 1:30pm with the service starting at 1:30pm. Interment will follow at Washington County Memory Gardens.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 28. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Thankful Baptist Church
1501 E Watauga Ave
Johnson City, TN 37601
(423) 926-5241

Service

MAR 28. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Thankful Baptist Church
1501 E Watauga Ave
Johnson City, TN 37601
(423) 926-5241

Interment

MAR 28. 2:45 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Washington County Memory Gardens
113 Memory Gardens Rd.
Johnson City, TN 37615

Tribute Wall



“ Jonathan "Tut" Swindler

January 29, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ I still cant believe it...we will always have those memories of "dign for records" and teaching a "newbie" how to mix up some tunes! Miss you brother

Darius Shands - August 13, 2019 at 04:44 PM



“ Geno Russaw lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Geno Russaw - April 08, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ It's been a long time since I last saw Tut, but his laugh will always stay with me. He filled a room with his smile, laugh, personality, and charm. I will never forget hours of cruising in the Blazer, road trips, lazy days, and being up all night. You helped me realize who I am, Tut; thank you. I love you, always. Rest easy. Say word!



Megan Potts - April 01, 2019 at 12:43 PM

Kaidoz
Timm

“ Tut my friend, this is hard to believe!
Stratton Blue Raiders for ever! Hanging out at the Gold Mine and
The Rec will always be some of the funnest times of my life. Bro, I
loved you and the person you were to everyone who met you!
Your life was lived greatly, a lot of us can learn from your examples.
...Friends, how many of us have them...

Kaidoz Timm - March 29, 2019 at 08:43 PM

KD

“ Kerri DeWaters lit a candle in memory of
Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Kerri DeWaters - March 29, 2019 at 09:17 AM

RT

“ Reba Turner lit a candle in memory of
Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Reba Turner - March 28, 2019 at 09:08 PM

BL

“ Brenda Long lit a candle in memory of
Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Brenda Long - March 27, 2019 at 08:26 PM

Mary Rollins

“ *Mary Rollins lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Mary Rollins - March 27, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler.*



March 27, 2019 at 03:19 PM

RP

“ *Rachel Pollock lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Rachel Pollock - March 27, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ *Allison Billips lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Allison Billips - March 27, 2019 at 11:48 AM

DG

“ *Deborah Grey lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Deborah Grey - March 26, 2019 at 11:59 PM

MB

“ *Monica Braman lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Monica Braman - March 26, 2019 at 11:57 PM

WB

“ *Our prayers go out to the Swindler family during this period of a loving loss; hold your loved one in your heart. Memories are forever ... Walter and Yvonne Buford*



Walter and Yvonne Buford - March 26, 2019 at 09:35 PM

Joni
Lawson

“ *Joni Lawson lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Joni Lawson - March 26, 2019 at 09:19 PM



“ *Jana Burchfield lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Jana Burchfield - March 26, 2019 at 07:58 PM

BL

“ *Tut,
My brotha we are going to miss you.
Getting together in the summers have been the best. You rolling up
on that motorcycle or the white caddie!
Your unconditional love for all that crossed your path in life is an
example to all of us that Love and Kindness is still alive and well.
Rest Easy in Paradise.*



Bart Lyon - March 26, 2019 at 09:29 AM

JA

“ *Jessica Brady And Steven Alexander lit a
candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Jessica Brady and Steven Alexander - March 26, 2019 at 09:15 AM

MP

“ *Malaika Perry lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Malaika Perry - March 26, 2019 at 08:13 AM

PR

“ *Pate Rhea sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Pate Rhea - March 25, 2019 at 07:47 PM

MW

“ *Melody Dame & Nathan Wright lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Melody Dame & Nathan Wright - March 25, 2019 at 04:03 PM

RD

“ *Ralonda Davis lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Ralonda Davis - March 25, 2019 at 01:18 PM

TM

“ *Teresa Sis McAdams lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Teresa Sis McAdams - March 25, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ *Michelle Johns lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Michelle Johns - March 25, 2019 at 11:17 AM

RS

“ *Gone to soon but memories will always be there. Football, dancing or no matter what you always kept us entertained. Going to miss you my brother.*

Robbie Stuart - March 25, 2019 at 11:11 AM

HK

“ *It is a privilege and an honour to be friends with Tut for 20 years. Even though I moved way from K-Town many years ago, we kept in touch, and I always looked forward to seeing him when I was in Tennessee. A kind and loving soul who will be dearly missed.*

Heather Kwiatkowski - March 25, 2019 at 06:34 AM

JM

“ Jennifer Marks lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



jennifer marks - March 25, 2019 at 01:30 AM



“ Katherine Madison lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Katherine Madison - March 24, 2019 at 09:36 PM



“ Linda Workman lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Linda Workman - March 24, 2019 at 09:32 PM

MG

“ Mitzi Gillin lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Mitzi Gillin - March 24, 2019 at 07:44 PM

JB

“ *Jeremy, Danielle, And Elliot Byrd lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Jeremy, Danielle, and Elliot Byrd - March 24, 2019 at 05:43 PM

KB

“ *Katie Bailey-Hynes sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Katie Bailey-Hynes - March 24, 2019 at 11:33 AM

HJ

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Honey Jackson - March 24, 2019 at 08:15 AM

LA

“ *La lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



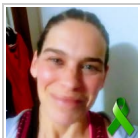
La - March 24, 2019 at 04:15 AM

MP

“ One of my best friends in high school - a super guy all around. ❤️



Marie (Stout) Patterson - March 23, 2019 at 06:28 PM



“ Sarah Landry lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Sarah Landry - March 23, 2019 at 06:15 PM

CB

“ Carol Bradley lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



carol bradley - March 23, 2019 at 04:59 PM

SM

Tut was an amazing person and a brother to me....I will truly miss him.

Shayne "Drama" Moody - March 23, 2019 at 08:49 PM



“ Renee Shumaker lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Renee Shumaker - March 23, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Janice wells - March 23, 2019 at 03:04 PM



“ *'made this world exponentially better. This is loss that's really hard to believe. i love you, brother. i'll never forget this.....*

As i worked in the Johnson City mall around 1990, on several occasions, the idiot white supremacists would come out to ... strut their ignorance, i guess. On one occasion i witnessed one of the most beautiful visions ever. i stood at one side of the railing overlooking the escalators & saw my buddy Tut ascending on the escalator. He looked up at me and waved just as he noticed the white supremacists on the railing to his left. He looked back at me, stuck up both pinkys and index fingers in the commonly known "rock and roll" sign & yelled "WHITE POWAHHH!"

Except for the white supremacists themselves, everyone, including the mall security guards busted out laughing at the white supremacists ... who then did not show up as frequently.

phil bowman - March 23, 2019 at 02:45 PM



“ *Always had a smile and time to sit & talk. We will miss you, Jonathan* 🌹



Lisa Viveros - March 23, 2019 at 02:14 PM

EB

“ *Elaine Brady lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Elaine Brady - March 23, 2019 at 12:50 PM



“ *Always happy go lucky... never met a stranger.*



Sherri Callahan - March 23, 2019 at 12:01 PM

MT

“ *Maggie Tankersley lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Maggie Tankersley - March 23, 2019 at 11:57 AM

TB

“ Tonya Bradley lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Tonya Bradley - March 23, 2019 at 11:48 AM

CP

“ I have a lifetime of memories with Tut, all I can do is thank him for sharing his time here with all of us.



Cassie Palmere - March 23, 2019 at 11:24 AM

CT

“ Connie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Connie Thompson - March 23, 2019 at 10:21 AM

LL

“ Louis Locke lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Louis Locke - March 23, 2019 at 10:19 AM

RH

“ Raymond Hall lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Raymond Hall - March 23, 2019 at 09:18 AM

Bill Kraft

“ Tut, I miss you! Gone too soon. Rest in peace, brother. 😭



Bill Kraft - March 23, 2019 at 09:05 AM

SM

“ Stephen Mee lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler




Stephen Mee - March 23, 2019 at 08:54 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler.



March 23, 2019 at 08:43 AM

 Bobby Fuego

“ Bobby Fuego lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Bobby Fuego - March 23, 2019 at 05:44 AM

CB

“ Chandra Bridwell lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



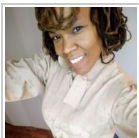
Chandra Bridwell - March 22, 2019 at 11:27 PM

 Don Brady

“ Don Brady lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Don Brady - March 22, 2019 at 09:31 PM



“ Carla Releford lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Carla Releford - March 22, 2019 at 09:10 PM

AF

“ Angel Fox lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



angel fox - March 22, 2019 at 08:18 PM

CA

“ Crystal Anderson lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



crystal anderson - March 22, 2019 at 07:46 PM

LB

“ Lynn & Rayetta Bachman lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Lynn & Rayetta Bachman - March 22, 2019 at 06:07 PM

 Matt Sellers

“ Matt Sellers lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Matt Sellers - March 22, 2019 at 05:09 PM



“ Julia Letcher lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Julia Letcher - March 22, 2019 at 05:02 PM



Gone to soon...I will never forget what you done for my son that night. You saved his life. You know you was family. RIP TUT

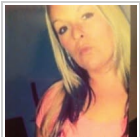
Julia Letcher - March 22, 2019 at 05:05 PM



“ Prayers going up for the Swindler family, gonna miss you my Carnegie buddy! 🙏❤️



Geno Russaw - March 22, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ ❤️Tut❤️



Stacy Nance - March 22, 2019 at 10:32 AM



“ *He was a sweet and gentle spirit.*



Pamela Renea - March 22, 2019 at 05:48 AM



“ *Pamela Renea lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Pamela Renea - March 22, 2019 at 05:47 AM



“ *Steven Harris and Allison Hill purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler.*



Steven Harris and Allison Hill - March 21, 2019 at 09:10 PM



“ *My Big Brother!!!!
Love ❤️*



Conseulo Capshaw - March 21, 2019 at 08:07 PM

PL

“ Tut, you will always have a special place in my heart. You stood beside us, supported and loved us in your own way. I don't know how to go this journey without you, but I know you are watching over us. I love you buddy and will miss you always.

Pamela Locke - March 21, 2019 at 05:26 PM

Susie
Lindsay

“ He was one of kind and had a sweet spirit. He could fill any room with laughter. He will be greatly missed by so many. Fly high with the Angels TUT ❤️ we will all miss you so very much.

Susie Lindsay - March 21, 2019 at 04:19 PM

CB

“ I will miss Tut dearly. Jonathan was such a great guy and is missed by so, so many. My heart is breaking for all his friends and family.



Carrie Brandt - March 21, 2019 at 02:28 PM

JW

“ Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Janice wells - March 21, 2019 at 01:40 PM

TB

“ Toni Bradley lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Toni Bradley - March 21, 2019 at 01:39 PM

TW

“ Toi Williams lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Toi Williams - March 21, 2019 at 01:37 PM

RL

“ Words can never explain what you meant to me you were my best friend and everyday without hearing from you makes it tougher. You were a genuine person with an amazing heart and I will forever keep you in mine. I'm gonna miss you my buddy I love you

Rodney Locke - March 21, 2019 at 01:30 PM

JC

“ Love and miss you... The greatest person I've ever known thank you for being a great friend and we will meet again one day... Love you my dear friend



Jennifer Cable - March 21, 2019 at 11:53 AM

CL

“ Christina (Tito) Laughinghouse sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Christina (Tito) Laughinghouse - March 21, 2019 at 11:34 AM

CL

“ Christina (Tito) Laughinghouse lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Christina (Tito) Laughinghouse - March 21, 2019 at 11:33 AM

CL

“ Tut....I was listening to some funky beats at work last night and dancing, laughing, crying, singing all at the same time, all in your memory. I know once you got a glimpse of heaven you chose to stay there instead of remaining on Earth....I ain't mad at ya!!! Fly high my guy, fly high!

Christina (Tito) Laughinghouse - March 21, 2019 at 11:33 AM

DT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Daniel Tindell - March 21, 2019 at 11:06 AM

DT

“ Jonathan was one of my best and only true friends.. I am Rock to the core by this but feel so incredibly lucky to have had his friendship and spent the time that I did with him. That was one of the best man I knew and was there for me during some very dark times in my life. You seem to know when I needed him and would just show up at my house on his motorcycle to check on me at all the right time. I will forever carry his memory in my heart and head. My condolences and deepest apologies and sympathies go out to the family of this great man. It was an absolute honor to be a part of his life. To the family involved please let me know arrangements as soon as possible I am more than willing to do anything that I can to help in your time of need and I definitely do not want to miss a chance to pay my respect to my best friend



Daniel Tindell - March 21, 2019 at 11:05 AM

TH

“ Taran Hurley lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Taran Hurley - March 21, 2019 at 10:03 AM

TH

Tut, you were forever loved and will be forever missed. I was truly blessed the day you came into my families life and I can only imagine how happy my mother was to welcome you into heaven to wait on us to join you. I love you my brother, my protector, my friend.

Taran Hurley - March 21, 2019 at 10:05 AM

SG

RARE GUY TUT LOVED EVERYONE. WHEN MY MOM PASSED HE WOULD CHECK ON ME. RIH TUT

SCOTT GREEN - March 22, 2019 at 10:23 AM

AH

“ I love you Tut my Tootsie, May you fly high my sweet friend. 35 years of knowing you just wasn't enough, I needed 35 more. Praying for your family to find comfort in the days ahead. I've lost a huge part of my life when you left here, and pray we meet again.

alicia hendrickson - March 21, 2019 at 09:52 AM

JC

“ My heart goes out to all family and friends of this incredibly wonderful man that I was proud to be in the presence of, and honored to call my friend. Forever loved~Never forgotten.



Jill Coleman - March 21, 2019 at 09:14 AM

SS

“ Shelia Smith lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler



Shelia Smith - March 21, 2019 at 08:10 AM

TM

“ *Tadza Merritt lit a candle in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Tadza Merritt - March 21, 2019 at 07:51 AM

CF

“ *Christina Conley & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan "Tut" Swindler*



Christina Conley & Family - March 20, 2019 at 09:36 PM

DS

“ *I am sorry about your loss. "Tut", was a gentle giant, that will be truly missed.*
Dana Sanders



Dana Sanders - March 20, 2019 at 08:41 PM