

Bray Wyatt Passes Away At 36

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I have no idea how to process this one. Yesterday it was Terry Funk, which came at the end of a long life (and no that doesn't make it any better) but this one hits hard and came out of nowhere. There had been rumors that he was training to return to the ring next month and then this happens. The Covid and heart issues do make sense but my goodness I'm still trying to process this.

I got to meet Bray once and he was easily one of the nicest wrestlers I've ever met. The wife and I met him in Texas at a meet and greet over Wrestlemania XXXII weekend. He heard my wife's British accent and said something like "Now I know you're not from around here with a sweet voice like that. Whereabouts are you from little lady?" She said Leeds, England and they chatted about how bad the traffic is over there. When I met him I said something about loving the stuff he did and he said the pleasure of meeting me was all his. Could not have been a nicer, sweeter guy and an absolute southern gentlemen.

This is one of the real tragic deaths in wrestling in a long time and it is a shame given all of the potential he showed and only kind of got to achieve. It's going to take me some time to get my head around this one and I'm sure I'm not alone in that.