



Andrew M. Salka

March 28, 1999 - October 17, 2016

Andrew M. Salka, age 17 of Merrillville, passed away tragically on October 17, 2016. He was a junior at Merrillville High School, and was very well known by most of the faculty members and fellow students. Andrew was a loving, caring, funny, and big hearted teddy bear. His compassion for others was evident to all that knew and loved him. He was preceded in death by his grandfather – William Salka; Uncle –Eric Cavanaugh; and Uncle/Godfather– Andres Ochoa. Andrew is survived by his loving parents- Ed and Jennifer Salka; brothers- Zach and Brad; sister- Tiffani; nephew- Corban Davis; grandparents- Janet and Richard Cavanaugh; grandmother- Lillian Salka; uncle- Steven Salka, aunt- Nancy (Stephen) Pope; godmother Theresa Brnicky and lifelong friend and special love- Montana Schulatz; numerous great aunts and uncles, cousins, and dear friends. Andrew was his own person and you will never meet anyone like him in a lifetime. He marched to the beat of his own drum and will be deeply and dearly missed by all that knew and loved him. A memorial service will be held on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. Visitation for Andrew will be held on Monday from 5 p.m until the time of service at 7 pm at Burns Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations to the family would be greatly appreciated at www.gofundme.com/2uwmtik. www.burnsfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ <https://m.facebook.com/groups/2020245878259553?view=permalink&id=2321221801495291> ”

Jennifer salka - January 11, 2019 at 02:18 PM



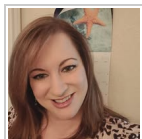
“ *My heart breaks for all that knew and loved him. May the love he gave be enough to see you through. Prayers for healing.* ”

Charlotte Liss - October 24, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ *Ed and Jennifer and my good friend Tiff and your entire family my deepest condolences go out to you all. i still remember giving Andrew the best haircut he ever had. What a great kid with so much personality even at the young age that i met him. I know that no words can ease the pain right now. But cherish the time you had with Andrew and know that one day you will all be together again. Good bless you and Your family in this saddest of times. Bubba* ”

Bryan Price - October 24, 2016 at 03:18 PM



“ *Jen & Ed, I've watched you two grow together and raise your family, over the past 18 years. You've been an example to me as parents and I'll forever be grateful. You raised Andrew to be himself and be kind to everyone he met. He was always so welcoming to my kids, every time we came up and came over. Thank you for sharing him with us! My prayers are with you and your family today and always. Love, Brandy* ”

Brandy Alley - October 24, 2016 at 12:01 PM

PA

“ *Forever Drewbear*



Panda - October 24, 2016 at 12:00 PM

PA

“ *We were never able to fix what was broken.. and God I wish I had tried more. Your memory is clouding my mind and I can't forget you. I'm sorry I can't be there, I hope you still had love for me in your heart*



Goodbye Drew bear

Panda - October 24, 2016 at 11:58 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Andrew M. Salka.*



October 24, 2016 at 07:45 AM



“ Ill never forget da 1st time i met Andrew several years back, in LaPorte IN. He was already a Big Guy, and he was so polite & respectfull, He kept callin me "sir" i told him, "dude u would probably crush me, dont call me Sir... So he started calling me Jimmy then.. But he was a joy to be around, His folks Jen & Ed did a Great Job raising him.. Its a shame that he was taken so young. I am sure Andrew would not want us mourning his passing but rejoicing his life. He would want us to remember the good times we shared with him. The humor he had to make us laugh . His charm and his smile... Andrew will always be with us . RIP Drew

Jimmy Urbanski - October 24, 2016 at 01:55 AM



Thank you for such a beautiful memory

Jennifer Salka - October 24, 2016 at 09:09 AM



“ We are so sorry to have heard about Andrew. Our prayers are with you and your family. Bob and Dolores Jones

Bob & Dolores Jones - October 23, 2016 at 09:29 AM



Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Jones

Jennifer Salka - October 24, 2016 at 09:12 AM



“ Dude I can't even. I miss you so much already. I remember us fighting at the park and when i went out with you and your buddy at 3 am. You're gonna be so missed. And I refuse to believe this was an accident.. I love you bro. Gonna ball my eyes out at your funeral. See you soon.

Jessi Shadley - October 20, 2016 at 09:44 PM

AF

“ *All the Guys at Purdue Delta Upsilon Fraternity purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Andrew M. Salka.*



All the Guys at Purdue Delta Upsilon Fraternity - October 20, 2016 at 08:41 PM

BB

“ *We're so very sorry to hear about your loss. We can't begin to imagine how it feels to lose a child. You are all in our prayers. God be with you.*
Love Babs and Bob Becker

Babs Becker - October 20, 2016 at 01:01 PM

PA

“ *Purdue Delta Upsilon Alumni purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Andrew M. Salka.*



Purdue Delta Upsilon Alumni - October 20, 2016 at 08:59 AM

NF

“ *I cannot even imagine what you are all going. So saddened to hear about the loss of Andrew. Deepest sympathies in your time of sorrow. May God supply the strength you need to get through this. Prayer for your family. Norma Fraiser Class Of 1977*



Norma Fraiser - October 20, 2016 at 05:19 AM

DK

“ So very very sorry for your loss!! Sending prayers for strength and comfort during this terrible time 🙏

debbie nolan kender - October 19, 2016 at 09:32 PM

PJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family
Russ & Phyllis Jones



Phyllis Jones - October 19, 2016 at 07:18 PM