



Ryan Moore

March 28, 1990 - October 16, 2019

RYAN MOORE of Clayton, Missouri was born March 28, 1990 in Columbia, Missouri to Steve and Lisa (nee Polka) Moore and died Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 29 years 6 months and 18 days.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Carl Moore and Richard and JoAnne Polka. He is survived by his parents, Steve and Lisa (nee Polka) Moore of Clayton, Missouri, his brother, Ian Moore of St. Louis, Missouri, his grandmothers, Anita Moore of Eureka, Missouri and Sylvia Moore of St. Louis, Missouri, his aunts and uncles, Brad (wife, Gail) Moore of Des Peres, Missouri, Greg Moore of Oakville, Missouri, Jason Moore of Affton, Missouri, Jeff (wife, Kim) Polka of Oakville, Missouri, Ellen (husband, Rick) Heacock of Caseyville, Illinois and Mark (wife, Stacy) Polka of Oakville, Missouri, his cousins, Jennifer Moore, Aaron Moore, Jacob Heacock, Joshua Heacock, Emilee Heacock, Erica Polka, Samantha Polka and Kayla Polka, and many other relatives and friends.

On March 28th, 1990, after nearly two days of labor at Boone Hospital in Columbia Missouri a miracle arrived. Ryan Alexander Moore joined our family and our amazing journey. Lisa and I followed a somewhat unconventional path. We went away to school together, married at 19 and 20 while still in college and had a child after 2 years of marriage. Ryan was the perfect kid. He was strong and independent, mature beyond his years and full of personality. His smile always lit up the room and he stole the hearts of those he came into contact with.

We were the first of our group of friends to get married and he was the first child. Ryan was quickly adopted as everyone's kid and wherever we went, he went. Our friends and family kept a close eye on him. He hung out with us at our friends' houses, went to work with us, sat quietly at study halls at the law school and jumped off house boats at the party cove. He was comfortable being alone playing with his "guys" or chatting with complete strangers.

Ryan had a heart of gold and never would say a bad thing about others. He was adored

by his grandparents and he loved them deeply. He traveled across this country as their +1 experiencing all the country has to offer. Those trips peaked his curiosity and passion for travel.

In 2001 we were blessed with our second child. Like any other day during the previous 11 years, Ryan was at our side when Ian arrived. Ian came into this world screaming and the only thing that quieted him was seeing Ryan and holding his finger. Their bond was instant and strong.

In the blink of an eye Ryan went from a cute little boy to a free spirited young man. Still he always smiled, was full of personality, quick with a one-liner and cared about others more than himself. Personal possessions were not high on his list. He lived life in the moment and worried about tomorrow, tomorrow.

We have watched our little boys grow into respectful young men. Although sometimes frustrated, we have enjoyed helping them figure out their own paths in life.

On Monday, October 14th, we received a call from SLU Hospital and were told that Ryan was in the hospital and we needed to come as soon as possible. Upon arrival we were told that Ryan was on life support with a severe brain injury. He would likely not survive.

Wednesday, October 16th Ryan was gone. While we are crushed emotionally, we were pleased to learn that unbeknownst to us, Ryan had previously elected to be an organ donor for research or transplant. Death at 29 is tragic. We are comforted to know he will be making a difference in people's lives for years to come.

If preferred in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Ryan Moore Memorial Scholarship Fund, 5533 Heather Bluff Court, Saint Louis, Missouri 63128. We are confident that Ryan would be thrilled with any support of this scholarship.

Ryan adopted Lily from the Animal Protection Agency. She was his companion and best friend. They traveled together, slept together and played together.

Please gather and connect with family and friends at a Visitation on Sunday, October 20, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122 followed by a time of reflection during Mass to be Celebrated on Monday, October 21, 2019 at Queen of All Saints Catholic Church, 6603 Christopher Drive, Saint Louis, Missouri 63129.

Events

OCT **Visitation** 03:00PM - 08:00PM

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Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood

Oak Hill Cemetery 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO, US, 63122

OCT **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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Queen of All Saints Catholic Church

6603 Christopher Drive, Oakville, MO, US, 63129

Comments



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan Moore.



October 21, 2019 at 11:41 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ryan Moore.



October 20, 2019 at 11:36 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ryan Moore.



October 18, 2019 at 04:20 PM