



## Nickie Naber

June 10, 1999 - June 10, 2016

Nickie Naber, 17, of Hamilton, passed away on Friday, June 10, 2016. Nickie was born in Grand Rapids, June 19, 1998, to Stephen Baker and Carrie Martin. She grew up on the family farm and attended Zeeland Schools and Zeeland East High School through 10th grade. Nickie transferred to Pioneer Tech at Hamilton High School, and was to graduate on Friday evening, June 10 from Hamilton High School. Nickie was a profoundly determined "no holds barred" young woman. She was training to become a first responder capable in all fields, firefighter, police, and EMT. In EMT training competition she and her partner took second place in the state of Michigan. Nickie was also inspired to write and express herself through several mediums of art. She also knew her way around wrenches and fixing cars and trucks. She will be greatly missed... Nickie is survived by her parents: Carrie and Bob Naber of Hamilton, Steve Baker and Paula Crigger of Battle Creek; sisters: Ashley Baker, Sara Baker, Stevie Naber, Katie Naber, Jessica Crigger, Sammie Crigger; grandparents: Bob and Bev Martin, Pam Martin and Matt Leslie, Marla Joy Naber, Sid and Peg Baker; and many extended family and friends. To honor Nickie the family is having a birthday party celebration for her on Saturday, June 18, 4:00 pm, at the Naber Family Farm, 4747 49th Street, Holland 49423. Please consider a memorial donation to the Nickie Naber First-Responder Scholarship Fund, C/O Parda Credit Union, 259 E. 24th Street, Holland 49423. Arrangements are by the Yntema Funeral Home.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Nickie Naber*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"My condolences to all of Nickies friends and family. May You find comfort in each other and in having known your loved one. Praying blessings and peace upon you in the midst of this tragedy."*

**Laura** - June 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Nickie will forever be missed, Her infectious laughter will echo in the memories of all who were privileged to have encountered her. Nickie was a great friend to many and had a smile or kind word for anyone who passed her by - even strangers on the sidewalk! A few years ago, Nickie, my daughter Asia and I were in Saugatuck strolling through town, eating at Marros and laughing so hard - strangers thought we were drunk! This strict momma and her two underage cubbies were only drunk on life; and Nickie was serious in sharing that contagious enthusiasum for it with all the strangers that crossed our path! That night Nickie taught me first hand, the social value of truly loving on a stranger with a smile and genuinely joyfilled words. Imagine if we all consciously encouraged and loved on others (just like Jesus did) without regard to how they look or act - how so many of the injustices and tragedies of our society would cease to exist? Wow! So greatly missing you Nickie! Lovingly remembering you, Gwen and Asia Rubio"*

**Gwen Rubio** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“It is impossible for me to understand tragedy like this! Please know I am praying your hearts find comfort in Nickie's sweet memories during your days of sorrow.”

A friend - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CK

“Carrie and Bob, We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and Prays go out to you. Sending our love to you and all of your family!”

Chad and Alicia Kortering - June 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NI

“Sweet baby girl, I am going to miss you so much, all the laughing and amazing conversations we had. I was Nickies bus driver for Pioneer Tech, she was such an amazing caring and funny girl. I have so many memories with you sweetheart, may you rest in peace.”

Nicole - June 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RC

“Nickie was a special young lady who exuded love and kindness toward others. She was always one of the highlights of my tech support visits to Pioneer Tech. She would watch for me to come in and welcome me with a warm hello. She had the most beautiful smile. I will never forget the beautiful card she made for me when I moved on in my career. Heaven has gained an angel. Sorry, I left you behind friend. My sympathies go out to her beloved friends and family.”

Robert Callejas - June 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AR

“*Our heart aches for you and your family. Our son, Bryant Young, was very close with Nickie and speaks highly of her character and passion for helping others. She will be missed!*”

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**Ardith** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LU

“*Cherish the memories of Nicki...Peace to her and the rest of the family!*”

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**Lucia** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RF

“*Our hearts go out to your family. May Nickie rest in piece. We didn't know Nicki Tim or I. Tim is Jordans father and I am Tim's finance. We are so sorry for the losses. Jordan was Time only child.*”

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**Rhonda Farmer** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RS

“*Dearest Carrie, Bob ,Stephanie and Katy...please know you have our deepest sympathies...you are all in our thoughts and prayers ...Love and many hugs being sent xo*”

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**Ruth and Gary Smith** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“I was Nicki's bus driver the last few years. She was always very sweet and polite . The last time she rode was a few weeks ago. i often would meet her on the road headed for home catching a ride with someone at the end of the school day. I never dreamed it would be the last time i would see her and tell her good morning. She always smiled and said how you doing, She would come with her sun glasses on even when it was dark. She was well liked by everyone that rode, and the kids would all say hi Nickie! She always smiled back and had a kind word! Im so at a loss for words at this time, just can't believe it!! I will always remember Nickie! Please accept my sincere sympathy and i will be praying for all!”

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**faye Laarman** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“I am so sorry for your loss my heart goes out to you all praying. For all of you God bless i do not know you but my heart goes out to you and my thoughts”

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**Grant** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM