



Ryan Boerman

December 30, 1991 - November 28, 2018

Ryan Boerman, age 26, of Bentheim, fixed his eyes on Jesus as he shed off his vent, stepped out of his wheelchair, and ran across the finish line into the arms of Jesus. He completed the race with perseverance that the Lord marked out for him on Wednesday, November 28, 2018. He joined his beloved aunt, Kim Betten, who has also completed the race. Ryan graduated from Hamilton High School and Davenport University. He was employed by Davenport University as the Athletics Community Relations Assistant. Ryan lived life to the fullest, not letting Duchenne's Muscular Dystrophy get in his way. He loved sports and was a passionate University of Michigan and Davenport University fan. He enjoyed traveling and visiting many sports venues. Ryan is survived by his parents, Darwin and Diane Boerman; his sisters, Emily Boerman and Marissa Boerman. He is also survived by grandparents, Jerald and Harriet Boerman, John and Jan Betten as well as cherished aunts, uncles and cousins and dear friends. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Sunday, December 2, 2018 in the Family Life Center at Bentheim Reformed Church, 3997 38th Street, Hamilton. The Celebration of Life service will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 3, 2018 in the sanctuary also at the church. Burial will be in Bentheim Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ryan Boerman Legacy Fund at the Community Foundation of the Holland-Zeeland Area. Arrangements are by Yntema Funeral Home and condolence messages may be left online at www.yntemafh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ryan Boerman*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Offering our sincere condolences. May the God of love comfort your heart and make you firm in your time of grief. 2 Thessalonians 2:16,17."*

A friend - December 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *"So sorry to hear of the passing of Ryan. He was so lucky to have such a wonderful family. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Lana Heavilin"*

A friend - December 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Our deepest sympathies to your family in the passing of Ryan. I know it must be so hard to think of life without him this side of eternity, but I know he has made a lasting impact and leaves a legacy of faith. Praying for comfort, peace and the hope we have because this world is not our home, we're just passing through. Sincerely, Cindy (Yonker) Nyhoff"*

Cindy Nyhoff - December 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“My sympathies to your family. Ryan was a beautiful person. He was a student and then a friend as I worked with him over the years. The love you have as a family, and the faith Ryan and your family have in God and your salvation through Jesus Christ was so obvious in the way you approached life even as you were faced with this difficult disease. Praying for you all and rejoicing in Ryan's meeting of his savior.”

Barb Buteyn - December 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SW

“Ryan and I met under less than ideal circumstances. I had the pleasure of getting to know him while in the ICU. He shared his journey with those who took care of him and he always had a smile on his face. I mean, how annoying was it to have a couple of bubbly, chatty, and far too energetic ladies walk into your room everyday at 7 o'clock in the morning? He took it like a champ! He smiled and listened to all our bickering/picking on one another (all in good fun) without ever kicking us out! He was an amazing individual. He was driven to succeed, kind, and compassionate. He was sick, yet it never felt like a patient/provider relationship to me. This was a developing friendship. Ryan was the kind of patient that I looked forward to seeing. He was the kind of patient that reminds me why I love helping and taking care of people during the hardest times in their life. He reminds me of how important it is to have faith and to rise from life's obstacles and to strive to achieve all that I can in this lifetime.”

Samantha Wilkins - December 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LD

“So sorry to hear of Ryan's passing of this earthly world. May you find peace knowing he is now free of all barriers and pain. His smile was so infectious as his love for Michigan University!!! Holding you all in my thoughts and prayers...heaven has a special angel watching over you.”

Linda DeBoer - December 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KS

“Boerman and Betten families, Our deepest sympathies on the loss of Ryan. What an amazing young man who was loved by so many! May the wonderful memories of Ryan sustain you as you journey through the upcoming days. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Jim & Kathy Slagel”

KathKy Slagel - December 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LH

“Ryan was my cousin and I will say that he had a beautiful smile and he was a blessing to have in my extended family.”

Lori Hulsman - December 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DB

“Ryan was an exceptional young man. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family!”

Dave and Roxanne Bushen - November 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BV

“What an amazing life Ryan had. And it was because of the amazing and supportive family that Ryan was privileged to be a member of. Well done.”

betty Victory - November 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DV

“Our prayers are with your family as your journey of grief begins. May you sense God's amazing comfort and peace throughout the journey. Please know that you are not alone and that He will be with for as long as you need Him. We also rejoice with you that Ryan is now in his heavenly home. One can only imagine.”

Dawn VandenBosch - November 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SM

“It was like yesterday when Ryan came over to the house to play with Cody when they were 6 years old.. an then when all the boys went to prom together..not sure which one they liked best playing games or prom..Ryan was so sweet an very smart..he always had away to make me smile..”

Sharon Mihm - November 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM