



RYAN HARDING

Ryan Patrick Harding, of Fort Wayne, passed away Sunday, June 16, 2024. He was 32 years old. He was a loving son, brother, uncle, cousin, nephew, and friend to so many, and was taken entirely too soon. Ryan was born April 29, 1992, and was raised in Fort Wayne. He is the son of Randy and Cathy Harding of Fort Wayne. He is survived by his parents and his brother, Michael (Sarah) Harding of Bloomington, Indiana; sister, Rachel Harding of Fort Wayne; niece Maren and nephew Nolan; aunts, uncles, cousins, and so very many friends. He was a graduate of St. John the Baptist Catholic School in Fort Wayne and South Side High School. Ryan's first word was "ball." He was a gifted athlete from a young age and sports were a major part of his life. Soccer was his main passion and he played competitively and for fun throughout his life. He met many of his lifelong friends through playing the game he loved. Ryan also played football, rugby, and basketball, and was an avid fan of just about any sport. He was kicker for the South Side football team, and among his many soccer accomplishments was a Sectional championship for South Side his senior year. Ryan was affectionately known as "Lechero" to many of his friends, most of whom were essentially family. He enjoyed Latino and Hispanic music and culture. He loved to share in the joy and celebrations of others, at births, baptisms, quinces, graduations, and weddings. He was always there for the people he loved and was fiercely loyal to them. There is so much Ryan did not get a chance to do in a life



cut tragically short. He would have made a wonderful husband and father. But he connected with and touched the lives of so many in his short time. He will be dearly missed. Funeral service will be held 12:00pm, Saturday June 22, 2024, with visitation one hour prior to the service at Divine Mercy Funeral Home, 3500 Lake Avenue, Fort Wayne. Visitation also will be 4:00 - 8:00 pm Friday June 21, 2024, at Divine Mercy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in memory of Ryan to the Center for Nonviolence in Fort Wayne, International FC or to Fort Wayne Sport Club. To sign the online guest book, go to www.divinemercyfuneralhome.com

Date of Birth 1992-04-29 **Date of Death** 2024-06-16

Comments

Anonymous - 2024-06-23 13:24:26

Long live Lechero. Breaks my heart to hear of his passing. Ryan was a good friend and coworker; always kept it real.

Shannon (Jamie) Fuchs - 2024-06-21 15:02:34

Randy & Cathy, it is hard to imagine what you are going through. We have lost way too many of our young boys in our rugby family. As we know, Ryan has work to do and is why he was called home. May you rest some in knowing that and, you shall see him again. From another mother praying for your family

Mark Shaw - 2024-06-21 10:16:19

Dear Cathy and Randy, I am so sorry for your tragic loss.. my prayers go out to you and your family in this time of sadness and grief.



QCRFC – 2024-06-21 09:51:32 Peace to your family; we can't imagine the pain

Kathryn Jost - 2024-06-20 14:32:33

My sympathy and prayers for a life taken too soon. Wishing you and your family peace and comfort in the days to come.

Cynthia Welling - 2024-06-20 14:23:57

Randy, Cathy, Michael, Rachel...so shocked and saddened to hear this. Ryan was a great kid and this is so tragic. My heart goes out to you all. May he rest in peace.

Rugby Indiana - 2024-06-20 09:52:12

On behalf of Rugby Indiana and its family of players, parents, coaches, referee, administrators, and volunteers, we offer our deepest sympathy.

Jay Woodward - 2024-06-20 06:31:05

I'm so sorry for the pain you're going through. Please know that you're in my thoughts and prayers.

Jay Woodward - 2024-06-19 23:05:17

I have no words to help ease the deep pain. You are and will be in my prayers.

Tony Reddington - 2024-06-19 18:33:16

Randy, I just heard yesterday about the loss of your Son. There are no words on earth that could possibly ease the devastating pain your family is forced to deal with. Such a senseless act that changes so many lives. My thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Peace be with you! T. Reddington

Elise M Brandon – 2024-06-19 16:36:33 I am so sorry for your loss. I can't even imagine it. My prayers are with you guys.

Elise M Brandon - 2024-06-19 16:35:43

I am so sorry for your loss. What a horrible tragedy. My prayers are with you as well as my love. Elise Brandon

Jennifer Bryant – 2024-06-19 16:12:29 My condolences to your family. I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my prayers

Pat Helmkamp - 2024-06-19 11:40:32

My heart is breaking for all of you. . My deepest condolences. Take care and may God help you through your grief. **†** I will be making a donation to the Fort Wayne Sport Club

carolyn markowski - 2024-06-19 10:09:56

Cathy I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.



Kim (Krider)Lawrence - 2024-06-19 08:05:25

So sorry for your loss.My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time.

Agustin, Rebecca, Maria and Kaitlyn Serratos - 2024-06-18 21:19:09

We are so sorry for the loss of your dear son. Keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Lenny French – 2024-06-18 18:03:09 Way too soon. Peace be with you.

Douglas Owen losbaker - 2024-06-18 16:37:04

Randy, Cathy. I wish I had words to express what you two are going through. But I can only imagine the pain. My heart is with both of you