



Mathew F. Ripp

June 7, 1992 - June 28, 2021

29, of Fishers, Indiana passed away unexpectedly on June 28, 2021. Matt was born in Madison, Wisconsin to Thomas Gerard Ripp and Mary Louise Ripp (Rutkowski). He went to high school at Hamilton Southeastern, and later received a Bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice at the University of Indianapolis. He worked with his father in Sales for Alro Steel, and through life was involved in high school & collegiate football, Holy Spirit Teen Life & CYO leagues, coached high school baseball, and assisted Special Olympics softball.

Matt, born as one-of-two with twin brother Andrew, certainly did all he could to be one-of-a-kind. His all too short but incredibly full 29 years of life were filled to the brim with happiness and laughter, challenges and triumph, friendship and love, until his time ended June 29th, 2021. One might say, through some foresight, that Matt's soul knew his reservation on Earth didn't have long.

Matt's energy and athleticism began when he started walking at the age of 9 months and later led him to one of his many loves: football. He started early in 2nd grade pop-warner leagues in Naperville, IL. When he relocated to Fishers, IN, the "scouts" took notice and his athletic legacy began. Football at the 'red barn' led Matt to the HSE Knights and HSEJH, which got him ready for a 4-year varsity and 2-year All-State high school career, which took him to University of Indianapolis for his final five years of football.

Although football was a focal point, Matt's love for it never surpassed his love for family. Matt did absolutely anything for his two brothers: Andrew; his twin

diagnosed with Autism at a young age, and Ryan; his younger brother who followed in his every footstep. Both returned the love like Matt was their superhero.

It took Matt 28 years to find one last love: Meredith Burkart. With her, his family grew further, and his compassion, acceptance, and smile reached further still. Matt and Meredith are expecting a daughter to join big sister Quinn in late July of this year. Her name will be Mattie Louise Ripp.

Matt is survived by his fiancé, Meredith Burkart; daughter, Mattie Louise Ripp; twin brother, Andrew James Ripp; brother, Ryan Thomas Ripp; mother, Mary Louise Ripp; father, Thomas Gerard Ripp; grandparents, James & Mary Ellen Ripp, and Frank & Rosalie Rutkowski; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Visitation will be Thursday, July 8, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist, 10350 Glaser Way, Fishers, IN 46037. Funeral Mass will be 11:00 a.m., Friday, July 9, 2021 at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist. Burial will follow, with a luncheon afterward at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Mattie L. Ripp Trust are suggested to aid in the happy life of Matt and Meredith's daughter, Mattie Louise Ripp.

To donate, mail cash or check to: Mattie L. Ripp Trust c/o William Lutz, Attorney, 8409 Fishers Centre Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. Or Venmo: @Mattie-RippTrust. Donations will also be happily accepted for the Special Olympics of Indiana at their website: <https://soindiana.org>

Services are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Road, Fishers, IN 46037.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Parish
10350 Glaser Way
Fishers, IN 46037

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Parish
10350 Glaser Way
Fishers, IN 46037

Burial

JUL 9 (ET)

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens
9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Tribute Wall



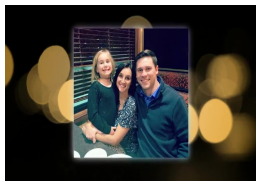
“ *I miss you Matt Ripp*



Devin Fetterhoff - July 11, 2021 at 08:04 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - July 09, 2021 at 08:37 AM



This video made me sad

Devin Fetterhoff - July 11, 2021 at 03:38 PM

MM

“ *This beautiful soul will be greatly missed. Praying for this family and so thankful and blessed to have had Matt in my 3rd grade class, he was a ferocious tiger in The Bats the Birds and the Beast and his infectious personality made him a natural class leader. Eternal rest grant unto him oh Lord and may your perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the faithfully departed through the Mercy of God Rest In Peace*

Maureen McGrath - July 08, 2021 at 12:02 PM

KW

I was so impressed with Matt. First met him working at Home Health Depot, then again at Aeratech Medical. Was just made aware of his passing having ran into Lucy Harrington. I have registered to volunteer in his Memorial Golf Outing in 2025. He will truly be missed by all who came in contact with him. God Bless Matt !
Steve Weber

Kenneth Steven Weber - September 06, 2024 at 04:17 PM

TM

“ *May all of your happy memories of Matt give you peace and comfort.*

Blessings, Tracie Miller

Tracie Miller - July 07, 2021 at 05:15 PM

CW

“ *In our prayers and thoughts for your loss.*

Claudia Weidman

Claudia Weidman - July 06, 2021 at 09:20 AM

SP

“ I Met Matt many times, as my son, Joshua was his roommate for several years! My youngest sonJeno, even roomed with them for awhile, My heart is saddened beyond words. Matt’s true appreciation for little things, when he stayed at my house while visiting Josh, I made him a simple sandwich and you would Of thought it was a fillet mignon. Matt was so grateful, courteous, easy going, funny, happy go lucky man! His smile was infectious! I actually never seen Matt without a smile on his face! Josh would call home and always have a story to share about Matt, it was always comical! I’m so thankful Joshua had such an amazing friend. His spirit will live on, the sword of the spirit will get you through! May Matt’s memories comfort you, his smile forever be in your thoughts until you meet again! God Bless each and everyone ! Stacy Peek

stacy peek - July 04, 2021 at 07:26 PM

NC

“ Words don’t even begin to express how sorry I am for your loss. It has crushed me and the entire HSE Athletics family. As you know, Once a Royal, Always a Royal. I knew Matt through his years at HSE, as my aide and friend in the HSE Athletic Office. His kindness was unmatched and his power on the football field was something amazing to watch. Even after graduation for HSE, we stayed in touch and I watched his progress throughout his college career. I got to see Matt more often when he became a volunteer baseball coach for us! We reconnected again when he worked at ICC Flooring. He was my sales rep! 😊. I will think of Matt every time I walk up my stairs on my new carpet! I am blessed to have gotten to know Matt throughout his high school teenage years, and as the impressive young adult that he was. I am so fortunate to have known him. I am thinking of you all during this difficult time. With all the love in my heart, Nancy Clingman (HSE Athletic Secretary)

Nancy Clingman - July 04, 2021 at 03:40 PM

SN

“ Matt started "running" around our house when he and Blake were in the 4th grade. They became instant friends through football and remained so throughout their lives.

We knew whenever we saw Matt we would be met with a big smile and a warm hug. He was such a blessing in our lives when we needed him the most. RIP Matt, you'll be forever in our hearts.



Stephanie Neata - July 04, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ Matt Ripp was a great softball player to everyone on the team



Devin Fetterhoff - July 04, 2021 at 07:31 AM

Jl

“ Tom, Mary, and Andrew

I am so sorry to hear of Matt's passing. I remember how Andrew always lit up when we talked about Matt or saw him in the hallway at Lantern Road. There are no words to help you feel any better at this time, but, please know you will all be in my thoughts and prayers in the days to come. Sometimes life just doesn't seem fair, does it? May you feel His presence surrounding you with peace, comfort, strength, and love.

God Bless,

Janet Inman

Janet Inman - July 04, 2021 at 01:48 AM