



Zachary O'Brien

March 11, 1996 - July 31, 2017

Zachary O'Brien, 21 of Windham, NH, died Monday, July 31, 2017, following a battle he fought for many years against Bipolar Disorder and Heroin Addiction. Though his addiction didn't define who he was, it took from us the boy we so deeply loved.

He was born March 11, 1996 in Melrose, MA and was raised in Windham, NH. Zack loved fishing and camping as well as riding his dirt bike and drawing. He found peace while sitting around the campfire with family and friends, always making people laugh with his silly demeanor and antics.

His loving family includes his mother and father, Debra and David Gallucci of Windham, his father, Stephen O'Brien of Tampa, FL, three sisters, Miquela Paige O'Brien, Madison Gallucci, and Gabby Gallucci, all of Windham, as well as several aunts, uncles, cousins, and one niece.

Visiting hours will be held on Sunday, August 6th from 12 noon - 3pm in the DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 50 FERRY ST. IN HUDSON, NH. Following cremation, a graveside service will be held at 11am on Tuesday, August 8th in Pinewood Cemetery, Pine Hill Road, in Nashua. All may meet at the cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family strongly encourages donations be made in Zach's loving memory to Hope for NH, PO Box 358, Manchester, NH 03105.

Previous Events

VISITING HOURS

AUG 6. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home Hudson, NH
50 Ferry Street
Hudson, NH 03051
(603) 882-9431
info@dumontsullivan.com

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

Pinewood Cemetery
100 Pine Hill Road
Nashua, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Zachary O'Brien*



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - August 06, 2017 at 12:38 PM



What a beautiful tribute to your precious Zachary <3

Debrah Fairbanks - August 25, 2017 at 06:22 PM



“ *Zachary O'Brien*

October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Zachary O'Brien*

September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *RIP I love you Zach still think you 100 times a day love you rest easy*

Matthew Donovan - October 16, 2017 at 11:25 AM

AM

“ Dear Dave, Debbie and family, I only remember Zach from when he was a young boy, but I remember his big, bright smile wherever he went. My heart aches for your loss and I hope that you all find comfort and peace in his memories and know that he will always be with you. God Bless all of you.



Amy Murphy - August 09, 2017 at 07:30 PM

SD

“ Steve and Sue sorry for your loss! I never met Zachary but I thought I have -as you spoke highly of him! May he rest in peace! God Bless your entire family and friends at such a difficult time!



Sheri Duncan - August 06, 2017 at 12:31 PM

SF

“ Our most sincerest and deepest sympathy go out to Debbie, Dave, Miquela, Gabby and Madison and all of the O'Brien families. My heart goes out to you all and I know that if it can happen to such a wonderful family, it can happen anywhere. He has a beautiful smile and I pray the wonderful memories of Zachary in your hearts will carry you through this most difficult time.



Love and prayers,

Molly, Rebecca, Melanie and Nicholas Soter

Soter Family - August 06, 2017 at 10:19 AM

MC

“ *Debbie, Dave, Miquela, Madison and Gabby,*

Our most deepest sympathy for your loss of Zack! I will always remember Zack for his amazing smile and silly antics! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all doing this most difficult time!

*Love,
Melissa and Mark Coulombe*

Melissa Coulombe - August 06, 2017 at 07:50 AM

DP

“ *Debbie, Dave, Miquela, Gabby and Madison,*

My heart is frozen in pain for all you. I am so sorry and please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

*Love,
Wayne, Deb, Jason, Jenna and Jill*

Debbie Peterson - August 05, 2017 at 08:44 PM



HF

“ *We are so sorry for this tragic and heartbreaking loss of your son, Debbie. Our deepest condolences to you and your family during this painful time. Addiction is a terrible thing. Hopefully his loss will bring awareness and help save other lives. Thinking of you all.*

Holly Hanford Oliver and family - August 05, 2017 at 11:12 AM



RH

“ Regina Henderson lit a candle in memory of Zachary O'Brien



Regina Henderson - August 05, 2017 at 11:11 AM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.



August 05, 2017 at 09:28 AM

SS

“ Tyler's first friend from first grade. Best friends through elementary school. We will always remember Zach for his adventurous spirit, mad dance skills and his great story-telling. My heart is breaking for you all. Addiction affects so many families and so many lives. Praying for your healing and that someday the wonderful memories of Zach will replace the pain you feel today.

With much love,
The Searles Family



Sarah Searles - August 05, 2017 at 08:59 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.



August 04, 2017 at 10:35 PM



“ We had the best memories with you Zach. Especially at our camp and Grammy and Grampys camp and on their boat at Totem Pole Park in Freedom NH all throughout your childhood years. We will hold them close to our hearts.



Aunt Cathy Blimberg - August 04, 2017 at 09:50 PM



“ Miquela Obrien lit a candle in memory of Zachary O'Brien



miquela obrien - August 04, 2017 at 03:16 PM



“ *Heavenly and Harmony was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



August 04, 2017 at 01:25 PM



“ *Global Partners purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



Global Partners - August 04, 2017 at 09:51 AM



“ *Deb Dave and Family I do not know you but I live in Windham. I want to tell you how very sorry I am. I have walked the same walk with you Up until July 31 and I fear for the worst every day for my daughter . She also has bipolar, borderline personality disorder, PTSD, depression and addiction to heroin, pills and alcohol . She is 28 and also grow up and Windham. I am raising her a little girl who will be five in November, I have had her since she was two months old . I wanted you to know that you are not alone and that we pray for you. I pray for peace and comfort in the coming days and years and that you can find that God has a plan in all of this that we cannot understand but we will know someday . May He hold you tight on your journey.*

Debbie Mackenzie - August 04, 2017 at 05:22 AM

NG

“ *To his family, and friends
My heart goes out to all you.
I am adding a poem that I think of when a person passes away
I do not know who wrote it...*

*Sincerely,
Nance J. Gillies*

Butterflies – A Symbol of the Resurrection

******Caterpillars spin cocoons, metamorphosing into butterflies.
Jesus, lying in the grave, was like a caterpillar wrapped in a cocoon.
After he died on the cross, men put his body in a cave and rolled a
stone in front of it. But the cave could not hold him, just like the
cocoon cannot hold the caterpillar. The caterpillar is transformed
into a beautiful butterfly. Jesus, too experiences a transformation.
And with his death and resurrection, we too, are assured of life
eternal. Will you ever look at a butterfly in the same way again?*

Nance Gillies - August 03, 2017 at 11:11 PM

ME

“ *Mimi and Papa Ed purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



Mimi and Papa Ed - August 03, 2017 at 09:51 PM



“ *Deb and Dave...Our sincerest condolence. May the outpouring of sympathy, the kind gestures of friends and strangers give you comfort, knowing that your loss is felt by many and may it help you through this difficult time.*

Was going through some pictures tonight and came across this one of Ethan, Zach and Cody in Cub Scouts at Battleship Cove.

The Paulsen Family



Jessica Paulsen - August 03, 2017 at 07:54 PM

KS

“ *My deepest condolences to Debra and family. No parent should ever have to bury a child! May the good lord ease your pain in the days to come.*

Kathy, Bruce and family!!

kathryn Stapleford - August 03, 2017 at 06:37 PM

LN

“ *Deb and Dave and family, I am so very, very sorry for your loss, I will pray during this most difficult time.*

Lisa Nadeau - August 03, 2017 at 05:40 PM

TF

“ *The Hollowed Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



The Hollowed Family - August 03, 2017 at 05:21 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



August 03, 2017 at 04:05 PM



“ *Bountiful Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



August 03, 2017 at 03:58 PM

SD

“I'll lend you for a while a child of mine," He said.
"For you to love the while he lives and mourn for when he's dead.
It may be six or seven years, or twenty-two or three,
But will you, till I call him back, take care of him for me?
He'll bring his charms to gladden you, and should his stay be brief,
You'll have his lovely memories as solace for your grief."

"I cannot promise he will stay; since all from earth return,
But there are lessons taught down there I want this child to learn.
I've looked the wide world over in My search for teachers true
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes I have chosen you.
Now will you give him all your love, not think the labor vain,
Nor hate Me when I come to call to take him back again?"

"I fancied that I heard them say, "Dear Lord, Thy will be done!
For all the joy Thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we run.
We'll shelter him with tenderness, we'll love him while we may,
And for the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay;
But should the angels call for him much sooner than we've planned,
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand!"

Dear Debbie, Dave and "the best sisters ever",

Of all the words used to describe Zack, there is truly only one--
irreplaceable. To all of Zack's family and friends, may your treasured
memories of him get you through this terribly difficult time. How
blessed are those whose lives he touched! Soar with the Angels,
Zachary Gallucci O'Brien!

Love,
Susie Daly

Susie Daly - August 03, 2017 at 02:25 PM



Susie what can i say to that poem besides you have three of us in tears.

love you suzie

Debbie Gallucci - August 03, 2017 at 02:44 PM

SD

My heart is aching for all of you! Please don't hesitate to call me if you need anything. This will be the hardest thing to go through in life.

Susie Daly - August 03, 2017 at 04:36 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



August 03, 2017 at 01:30 PM

KB

“ *KATHRYN STAPLEFORD & BRUCE GURLEY, RICHARD STAPLEFORD & KIM BROUSSEAU purchased the Majestic Heart for the family of Zachary O'Brien.*



KATHRYN STAPLEFORD & BRUCE GURLEY, RICHARD STAPLEFORD & KIM BROUSSEAU - August 03, 2017 at 12:02 PM

VQ

“ I will never forget the way he looked at me and smiled , and the goofy way he use to sing me songs . He was such an amazing soul and for that I am grateful. I'm deeply sorry from the bottom of my heart and may he rest in the sweetest peace xoxoxo.

victoria quale - August 03, 2017 at 09:35 AM

WA

“ So sorry and may God see the good and keep you in his care. Only God knows the pain you were stricken with that turned you to the dark part of life and only God shell judge and place forgiveness upon you and guide you to the life he has chose for you. Rest in Peace and prayers to your family and friends. You were such a handsome man. Sorry for your loss everyone.



Waneta - August 03, 2017 at 09:17 AM

SR

“ Debbie and Dave, know that your family is in my prayers. May God give you peace and serenity you need during this most difficult time in your lives. My deepest sympathy. May peace hold you at this time.

Sister Maria Rosa

Sister Maria Roa - August 03, 2017 at 04:49 AM

D-

deepest sympathies thoughts and prayers to you and your family may God's peace find a way into your heart knowing that he's out of pain it's an awful disease I pray that you find peace,,, stepson passed away last year due to this disease it's horrible I feel your pain may God bless you all

deb adams -QUIGLEY - August 03, 2017 at 07:21 AM

CK

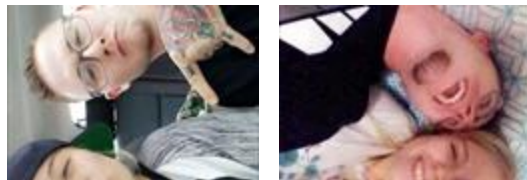
“ Zach, My heart is shattered and I will never be the same. You and I got one another when no one else did we both struggled with addiction and you lost your battle. I am forever grateful for the visit we had last week and that hug you always gave me when you saw Auntie. You weren't just my nephew but you were like my own. I was so lucky to be there the day you were born and watch you grow as you spent so many nights sleeping over my house or David over yours. I am going to miss our long talks on the phone and that handsome smile. I am taking comfort in the fact that you're at peace now and with Nana. Zach you are going to be missed by so many. I love you to the moon and back and infinity and beyond. RIP my dear nephew.

Debbie, Dave and the girls, my heart aches for all of you. I am so sorry for your loss and know that you are in my prayers. Love Christine

Christine Kelley - August 02, 2017 at 09:03 PM

MO

“ He always had a smile and a laugh for everyone around him. He showed me a way of living I will never find again. I loved him very much.



morgan - August 02, 2017 at 07:16 PM

CM

“ *Debbie, my deepest condolences to you and your family during this tragic time.... My thoughts and prayers are with you all.... May you find peace and comfort in the cherished memories he left you with.... Rest easy Zachary*

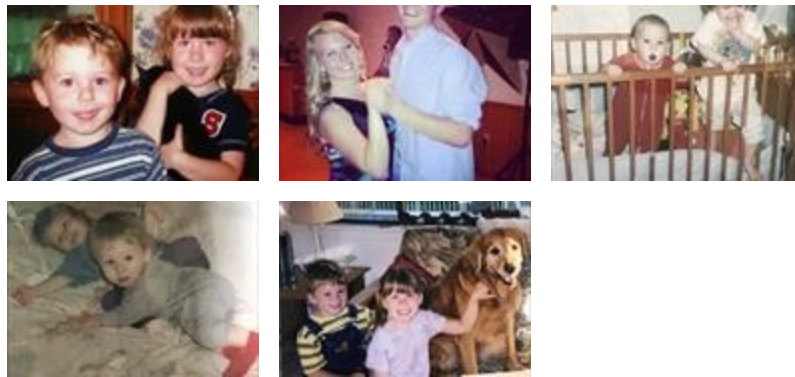
*Cheryl McCarthy
Bedford NH*



Cheryl McCarthy - August 02, 2017 at 05:27 PM

MO

“ ❤️



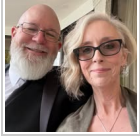
miquela obrien - August 02, 2017 at 04:49 PM

 Robin
Gleason

“ *Always made us laugh. He had a contagious smile! It doesn't seem real.*



Robin Gleason - August 02, 2017 at 04:35 PM



“ 10 files added to the album zack at his best



Debbie Gallucci - August 02, 2017 at 04:19 PM