



Eric Steven Patti

June 22, 1984 - December 5, 2014

Patti, Eric Steven, age 30, a resident of Madison Heights, Michigan; raised in Clinton Township, passed away suddenly December 5, 2014. Eric was born June 22, 1984 in Detroit and is survived by his spouse, Stacy Marie Wechsler; son, Thomas Henry Patti; parents, Steven and Susan Patti; sister, Lisa Scott Feig; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Sheldon "Sonny" and Christine Wechsler; brother-in-law, Matthew Wechsler; grandmothers-in-law, Barbara the late Lawrence Carter, and Winifred the late Harvey Wechsler; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and close friends. Eric was predeceased by his grandparents, the late Maurice and Irene VanDenbusshe, the late Joseph and Jane Patti, and the late Shirley Patti. Eric was a loving husband and father who always put family first. Eric was an extremely well-rounded man. While growing up, he was active in Boy Scouts of America and earned the Life Rank award. Early on, Eric loved to play Little League baseball, which led to a passion for umpiring Little League and high school games. In 2005, he was presented the John Butcher Umpire of the Year Award and later the Macomb Elite Umpire Association Appreciation Award in 2008. He was also active in the Fraser Parks and Recreation Department where he loved working with the children. Eric graduated from Fraser High School, where he was a four-year Varsity Jazz Band member, played football, and was on the track & field and wrestling teams. Later on, he coached football at Seneca Middle School in Clinton Township. A former Seneca player shared that Eric did not only teach the team how to "hit" someone on the field but also taught them how to be

gentlemen. Eric worked for McLaren Medical Group as the Operations Supervisor for the urgent care clinic in Lapeer and previously as a Security Police Officer for St. John Hospital in Detroit. Additionally, with a true love for law enforcement, Eric served as a Reserve Police Officer with Center Line Public Safety. Committed to doing what was best for his family, he was attending classes at Oakland Community College working towards his Bachelors in Business Administration. He loved hunting, fishing and being outdoors. Eric was extremely patriotic and a true "Michigan Man." Eric cared for others, and made friends everywhere he went. Most importantly, Eric was a dedicated husband, father, son, and brother. He loved being a family man and will be extremely missed by all who knew him. Visitation Thursday 1-9 p.m. with Scripture Service at 7:00 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. 4 blks. E of Woodward, Royal Oak. Instate Friday 9:30 a.m. until time of Mass 10:00 a.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Church, Royal Oak. Memorial contributions appreciated to Michigan United Conservation Clubs MUCC, Passing on the Heritage PATH, and / or USO are appreciated.

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I was extremely saddened when I learned of Eric's passing two years ago, and there have been many times since when I still think of Eric. Eric was in Boy Scout Troop 206 with both of my older brothers, and my dad, who was the scoutmaster for a time. Whenever we would talk about their old Boy Scout memories, we always talked about Eric, and how kind and funny he was. According to my brothers, Eric hated spiders, and often joked about needing to go "add to Mount Patti." That still makes me laugh to this day. I remember noticing Eric whenever I tagged along at Boy Scout meetings. He was always smiling and laughing, and seemed to have a genuinely good heart. I didn't know him well, but I know that he was a good man, and I pray that he has found peace.

Maria - July 17, 2018 at 12:30 PM

BB

“ There are just no words. We still cannot believe that he's gone. Bobby and I are praying for you and Thomas for strength for now and as time goes. Know that we are here for you always. God will see you through this terrible time. We love you dearly! Bobby and Ashley Branks

Bobby and Ashley Branks - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ My sincere condolences to all of Eric's family. It is with sadness that I read the news of his passing. May God bless his family and give them the strength to persevere the separation. God bless you all.

Randa dagher - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ I only started working with Eric since Sept. He made me feel so welcome to the team. He always had a smile and always told me I could do it. He knew when I was stressed and he always knew what to say. He truly will be missed here at McLaren. I am so sorry for your loss and I hope you can find comfort in that he brought so much joy to so many people! Thank you so much for sharing him with us and thank you Eric for having confidence in me, You are missed by all. RIP my friend!!!

Carri Ormiston - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Eric you will be missed so much. You were such a good friend always listening, caring and helping all us. You will never be forgotten. My deepest condolences to your family.

Dr Mini Sunilkumar - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YS

“ My condolences to the family. Eric was a great guy and I'm very lucky to have met him.

Yvonne Simpson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I worked with Eric at Fraser parks and Recreation for a few summers, we coached little kickers and sluggers. He was always the person to make you smile and laugh, it was almost impossible to be sad around him! The kids loved him along with everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. He has touched the hearts of so many people and will be forever missed. â?j

Lindsey Jones - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I am so very sorry for your loss, Eric was a wonderful man very easy to get along with. Just talking to him you could tell he was very happy man with his very beautiful wife and gorgeous son. Please know I am sure he will be with you two always looking on you and smiling the biggest smile ever and loving you always. I know you don't know me well but I would be more than willing to help you with anything you need, I am a great listener. May god be with you always and help you through this horrible time.

Deanna Parinello - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Steve and Sue, Every parent sometime , in the back of their mind, hopes the enthusiasm of youth, particularly with sons, does not result in some tragedy. But this is really hard to grasp. Know that we feel this deeply and want you to be reassured that all of us who see you and your family as wonderful people stand with you on this difficult journey,

Len and Gwenne Allgaier - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Eric was a loving, shining light.....his smile was huge, his eyes sparkled, and he drew everyone in with love. We will miss him in our extended family, and our hearts ache for his loss to Stacy and Thomas, and Sue, Steve and and Lisa.....we were all blessed to have him join us for a while.....may his Spirit soar now....we know he looks down lovingly at us all.....

Gwenne - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VP

“ I work in a small pharmacy in the clinic building where Eric worked. Eric was always so kind, polite and respectful to us all. I admired his hard work and dedication to his job. He always spoke so highly of his wife and baby boy. I will miss seeing his great smile. I am so very sorry for your loss. You have been and will continue to be in my prayers.

Valerie Pitsch - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ We are so deeply saddened by Eric's passing, and wish every member of the Patti and Wechsler families, much strength and strong faith as you heal from this tragic loss. With Deepest Regards, the Berman Family Barbara, Gary, Sam, Becca and Jordan

Barbara Berman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Eric Patti was a once in a lifetime guy. The moment I met him, I knew he was bound for greatness. His interpersonal style, talent, and potential were examples of his many life traits which led to success in life. As most Greek tragedies teach us, the Gods of potential and hope are often taken from earth at an early age. That is the only way I can rationalize this profound tragic event. As some movies say...he had me at hello. Eric had the capacity, drive and intellect to become whatever he wanted to be. Instead, he is now an angel looking at us, and wishing we fulfill his dream and potential for him. That means Thomas and Stacy will be first priorities. May we all look to the loss and create a gain for the family survivors. May Thomas be the next Eric.

Margaret - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ I'm sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.

Steve Van Gorder - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ Nothing I can say here expresses my sadness at the loss of Eric. Seems like just yesterday that I was chatting with him at track practice back at FHS. My deepest thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.

Adam Treadwell - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ We are so deeply saddened by the loss of Eric. He was a huge asset to our department and a great friend and mentor to all. He will be greatly missed. With our deepest sympathy, Fraser Recreation Staff

Fraser Parks & Recreation - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ From one Michigan hunter to the family of another, please except my thoughts and prayers for Eric's family. May God Bless all of you during this difficult time.

Cori Birchett - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Patti Family & Friends, I am a better person for the short period I worked with Eric during his initial internship @ McLaren Medical Group. He was a true inspiration to everyone that had the pleasure of knowing him. It was completely clear what a committed family man Eric was, I will never forget the excitement in his voice when he shared with me the birth of his son. You all will continue to be in my prayers, hoping to give you the strength that I know you will need from our Lord to make it through such a difficult time.

Stacey Wing MMG - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Patti Family at this most difficult time. Eric was a fine young man with a great deal of potential. Your loss must be devastating. It was a pleasure to know him. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Mrs. Waeiss

Lorraine Waeiss - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ Patti Family - Was so saddened to hear of the sudden loss of Eric. Although it's been a few years from his days attending Fraser HS, I always remember his special way of making everyone laugh and smile. Our son worked with Eric at Parks and Rec and often shared stories about the funny things Eric did to get kids to participate and have fun! Reading his obituary and the wonderful comments here, it's very apparent that Eric continued to leave his mark on this world. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time.

Sheryl & Kerry Terman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VV

“ You will be missed. Cant believe your gone. You were so funny and such a nice guy!

Vanessa VanDorn - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DY

“ I and our staff will truly miss Eric.He was such a warm and caring person. He always seemed to have a positive attitude even if we were having a stressful day at the clinic.I will always remember the inspirational messages he would write on our message board in the lunch room at the beginning of each day. I, also learned from Eric. We always had fun conversations about life in the back office.Thanks, Eric for being a good friend and co-worker.

Dr. Dennis Yee - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DU

“ No words can describe what you have lost. Kindness,friendliness and easygoing we're among some of the attributes we saw in this great man at work. So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you in these hard times.

Dusko - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.John and Paige Williams

John and Paige Williams - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I am praying for your family and hope that you find comfort in knowing what a fine young man you raised. May God give you strength to get through this difficult time. I wish you peace and love. Many prayers for his young family.

Tish Rettberg Pesta - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HE

“ I am so deeply saddened and sorry for your loss! Eric was a great kid such a good spirit. My thoughts and prayers are with your whole family! God bless

Heather Gurnee Disney Elem - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Dear Patti Family, So sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort continue to be with your family at this most difficult time. This "enemy" death will soon be done away with. Take care. Sincerely, Tina Adams

Tina Adams - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ I am deeply sadden by the sudden loss of this phenomenal man. I had the pleasure of meeting Eric while assigned to the clinic in Lapeer. It didn't take me long to realize that Eric loved his family. I can remember seeing the excitement in his eyes when he would talk about his wife and son. Not only did McLaren lose one of it's future leaders but our world has also suffered a great loss. Rest on Eric....I'll miss you brother.

Kevin Winn - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I was in school with eric, from grade school through high school. Eric was a great guy. Always treated people with respect. Always nice to everyone. Praying for your whole family. Amanda kuczynski white

Mandy kuczynski - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ It was my pleasure to Eric as a student in my class at OCC. He sat in the front row and was always interested and active in the class. I always looked forward to seeing him at class, and I enjoyed our discussions about music or anything else. He was an honorable man, and I am very glad to have known him.

Michael Bryce - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ May peace be with your family at this most difficult time. Hugs. Karen Mathes

Karen Mathes - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Stacy you and your family are in my thoughts and prayer. Allow the people who care help you to get through the tough times. Keep all the wonderful memories in your heart. God bless you and thomas. PAM Perry

Pam perry - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ We are so, so sorry for your family. We know how close you all are and how much strength you will give each other. You are all in our thoughts and will be sending healing energy to your hearts.

Christy & Chris Edwards family - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ So sorry for everyone's loss. You are an amazing family. I have been praying for the strength in each of you. You are all blessed to be part of such a great family with a remarkable support system.

Lori Barrett - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM