



Ian M. McPherson

September 14, 1985 - February 16, 2017

McPherson, Ian Michael, age 31, of Huntington Woods, died peacefully at home on February 16, 2017. He was born September 14, 1985 in Royal Oak.

Ian graduated from Berkley High School in 2004. After graduation he discovered his love for and gift in the trades of carpentry and construction, eventually finding employment at Ingram Construction of Rochester, where his proudest accomplishment was installing the siding on the luxurious Center Street Lofts. He was also proud to design and complete a renovation for his parents at their family home. Not only was Ian skilled in his line of work, but he was also a talented artist with a passion for drawing. Ian was solid as a rock, had a wicked sense of humor, and, as hobbies, loved hanging out with his many friends, especially his twin brother, Chris, enjoyed amassing a carefully curated collection of guns of which he was very proud, enjoyed the freedom and open air when riding his favorite motorcycle, and also loved to be outside in the summertime enjoying the warm sunshine on long strolls with his beloved dog, Murphy. A motorcycle accident seriously injured Ian in 2008, resulting in quadriplegia. Ian and his family adapted to the myriad of life changes as gracefully as they could in the time following the accident. Ian was never short of support from his family, kind medical staff, and his trusted companion, Murphy. One of Ian's final wishes was to be a tissue donor and ultimately help others gain a second chance for sight.

Beloved son of Robert and the late Linda McPherson; loving brother of Lauren (Matt) Burchart and Chris (Kelly Petipren) McPherson; cherished grandson of Helen and the late Leroy McPherson and the late Hannah Fritz; and dear nephew of Linda (Terry Wainright) McPherson, Marilyn (Harry) Schenimann, Sandy (Greg Thompson) Fritz, Ron Schmidt, and the late Bob Fritz and Pat Scherer. Also survived by many beloved cousins; his father's girlfriend, Heather Mason, and her children, John, Steve and Rose. He will also be missed by his loyal pit bull, Murphy.

A Celebration of Ian's Life will be held on Sunday, February 26, 2017, from 1pm-4pm at Tequila Blue, 526 Main St. in Royal Oak.

Memorials to the Michigan Rehabilitation Institute or Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Tequila Blue, 526 Main St. Royal Oak 48067

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“ Our families lived down the street from each other for many years. My parents still live down the street from Bob. I watched both my the twins and their sister grow into adults. I kept up with what they were doing through my parents. Hearing about Ian's tragic accident and then seeing how they all came together as a family to support Ian and each other during this time was truly amazing. Ian was truly a gifted individual and as sad as I am for his twin brother, sister, and his dad Bob, and the rest of his family and friends who loved him, I'm happy for Ian who is with his mother and is no longer dependent on anything or anyone. He is free now. I know everyone will keep Ian's beautiful memory alive. Peace and strength to Chris, Lauren and Bob. Love always,
Michelle Emmitt Via

Michelle Emmitt Via - February 18, 2017 at 08:32 AM

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“ Never saw Ian without a smile on his face and surrounded by family and friends. He was truly loved. God needed another special angel. May the family have peace and wonderful memories of Ian. God bless you all. Jeremy Mom Saunie.

saunie - February 18, 2017 at 03:13 AM



“ I went to Norup with Ian. Although Ian and I weren't in the same friends circle he was really nice to me when everyone else used to treat me unkind. That's something I will never forget, 20+ years later. A little bit of kindness goes a long way. In my book Ian was a great kid. God bless Ian and his family. I would like to extend my condolences to the McPherson family in this difficult time.



- Ayten Atakishiyeva

Leena King - February 17, 2017 at 11:24 PM



“ With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Ian M. McPherson.



February 17, 2017 at 04:33 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Ian's passing. My thoughts & prayers are with you.
Carol Shaw, Huntington Woods

Carol Shaw - February 17, 2017 at 04:26 PM



Ian enriched the lives of all he encountered.

Barry Lepler - February 18, 2017 at 09:30 AM