



Sean Patrick Richards

February 11, 2009 - July 20, 2023

Sean Patrick Richards, age 14; beloved and loving son, amazing brother and caring friend to all. Sean was truly an angel among us and is now an angel in Heaven. Sean was a gentle soul, with a unique understanding of kindness and friendship. He was sunshine, goodness and a positive influence on everyone around him. Sean was full of joy and wonder and gave love freely to everyone he met. He was always sincere, earnest and humble. Sean loved to smile, and his laugh was infectious.

We are truly blessed to have received the many gifts Sean shared with us on earth. We will miss him more than words can express, but all who knew him will forever carry a piece of sweet Sean in their hearts.

Sean is survived by his parents, Brian F. and Kristine L. Richards (née Kramer); his siblings Conor, Grace and Finn Richards; his grandparents Lawrence and Kathleen Richards (née Naughton) and Patricia Kramer (née Dougan) and many uncles, aunts, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandfather William Kramer and his uncle Michael Richards.

Visitation Monday, July 24th, from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521. Family and friends to meet Tuesday, July 25th, for a 10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Isaac Jogues Church, 306 W. 4th Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521. <https://sij.net/special-event-livestream>.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Isaac Jogues School (Memo: Sean P. Richards Fund), at the above address or <https://www.osvhub.com/sij/funds> or Benet Academy (Memo: Sean P. Richards Fund), 2200 Maple Avenue, Lisle, Illinois 60532 or www.benet.org, appreciated. To sign Sean's guest book electronically, please click [HERE](#). Private. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

Cemetery



INTERMENT PRIVATE

Interment Private

Events



MASS
10:00 AM

St. Isaac Jogues
Catholic Church 306
W. Fourth St.,
Hinsdale, IL 60521



VISITATION
2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Sullivan Funeral Home
& Cremation Services
60 South Grant Street,
Hinsdale, IL 60521

Tribute Wall

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K

Karen Schultz

I am still feeling the impact that Sean has on the people and community of Hinsdale. This tragedy has had a very powerful impact on anyone who lives in and around this terrible accident. This precious boy has touched the heart and soul of everyone. My counseling center is close to the area where the tragedy happened. I want Sean's parents to know that I continue to pray for them and ask that God give them courage, strength and Grace at this time. We mourn Seans passing and bring light and peace to all who knew him and loved him. Love never dies! I know that your son sends comfort and love to you. His legacy will live on and he will never be forgotten.

E

Eva Feinstein

Dear Richards Family, I cannot imagine begin to imagine your immense loss and what your beautiful family is/has gone through. What a beautiful and stunning family. May your beautiful son, Sean rest in peace with the precious angels and Jesus Christ.

C

Caroline Omlor

F

fabian camarena

i am incredibly saddened by your lost. may you find comfort in god

D

DR MANZOOR QAZI. MD

I was driving today in hinsdale and saw the sign " Pray for Sean". I searched on internet and was heartbroken about his untimely demise. He sure has a place in paradise. May God give solace to family to bear this loss. Amin

T

Todd Kramer

R

Rosalie Battaglia

Our deepest sympathies to your beautiful family. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers. We are so sorry for your tremendous loss. Sean was such a perfect example of a wonderful young man. A kind soul to all. He is certainly an angel in Heaven and your guardian angel. God bless you always, Ernie and Rosalie Battaglia

C

Claire

sean was always a good friend to me and i loved talking about the beatles together. he will be missed endlessly, and my condolences are sent to the family now and forever. rest in peace S, missing you with everything in me ?????

J

Jonathan and Sara Simons

Sending all of our love to the Richards family.

T

Todd & Erica Kramer

Sean at Cedar Point with his Kramer cousins Gianna, Roland and Victoria



T

Todd & Erica Kramer

Sean attending his cousin "baby Victoria's" First Communion.



J

Julie Ireland

Kristi and family, I am so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort in each other and those around you and always remember the memories you shared with Sean. May God bless you and your family in this difficult time. Love, Julie Ireland and family

J

Jan Burr

Brian, Kristi, Conor, Grace and Finn, We send our deepest condolences along with our love to your sweet family. After living next door to you for over 10 years, we have wonderful memories of Sean. We remember him arriving home from the hospital after being born, playing with his siblings and friends on your play structure, bringing us our mail and newspapers after we returned home from vacations and knocking on our backdoor to ask if our dog, Lucy, could come outside and play. We also remember Sean going back and forth to school, walking through our shared back lot. He always had a smile on his face as he proudly wore his St. Issacs uniform and carried his backpack. There are so many more. As Brian asked everyone to do at Sean's funeral, we will speak of Sean often, share stories about him and keep his memory alive. We will continue to pray for your family and for Sean's soul. May your faith in God and love for one another comfort you always. Mike, Jan, Haley, Riley and Charlie Burr

T

Tim Penrod

Dear Richards Family We did not know Sean but have been devastated to hear of the accident and his passing. We cannot even come close to imagining the pain that you are feeling. We can only hope that you find some way to get through this unimaginable pain by taking some comfort knowing how many people Sean has touched
The Penrod Family

D

Denise Marron

We're saddened to hear about the passing of your beloved sweet son Sean. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Wishing you peace and healing during this difficult time. ☺ With deepest sympathy, ~The Marron family John, Denise, Kaylee and Nathan

T

The Hare Family .

When we think of Sean we will always remember his bright smile, and the love and light he brought to the world.

V

Victoria Vining

Jesus, we surrender ourselves to you! Take care of everything! Take care of Sean! Thank you, Jesus! Jesus, we trust in YOU!

F

Florence Piraino

Although we have never met, my heart is heavy with pain for your loss. From the moment I heard of Sean's injuries I have not stopped praying the Hail Mary. Every moment of every day that I was alone with my thoughts I prayed. Please know that God will care for your family and never leave you. I will hold all of you close in my thoughts and prayers. Rest in Peace Beautiful Sean

V

Victoria Vining

I would like to share notes I've written over the course of the last few days... Yesterday, I took part in the saddest funeral that I have ever attended. A 14-year-old neighborhood boy died after being struck by an out-of-control car as he walked down the street following a trip to the library and the orthodontist. Just walking along that street at that fateful moment allowed for his young body to be critically wounded and hang in the balance of life for almost four days. During those days, an entire town waited, hoped and prayed that a miracle would occur and that he would be restored to the boy that so many knew and loved. Green ribbons were tied to every tree and placards stood on many lawns reading - Pray for Sean! Pray for Sean! Our Church held Holy Hours and so many people came each night to beg God's intercession, and though it may be hard to grasp, He did intercede by taking Sean from this life to eternal life. On the day of Sean's wake, many people went first to the 5:00 p.m. Mass. So many crying people standing and kneeling and praying. All of them so somber, more dressed up than usual, quiet, uncertain of what to do or how to act. Then these people lined the streets to pay their respects to the grieving family. No sound could be heard as they waited. At his Funeral Mass, Father read words written by Sean just a short time before his death. He said, "We should not fear death or suffering because Jesus's Cross always wins." Sean wrote this for a religion class, reflecting on The Stations of the Cross. He also said, "We should say yes to God in His plan for us, no matter the cost. God never abandons us and is always with us. When we suffer, we grow closer to God. All we need is to have faith, like Mary did when she believed that Jesus would rise. We need to believe in His mission, no matter what." Father also said that Sean, who had graduated from 8th grade only weeks ago, had asked to remain as an altar server at the parish because he felt so at home there and, in fact, he served Mass the day before the fateful accident. Who can believe that this beautiful life would be cut so short? Each day after the accident one can imagine - only a day ago things were as they should be. Only two days ago....only last week....as time marches on and on. But we do not march. We are crippled. As people, we have needs. We are conceived in need. We need our mothers in order to exist. Later we develop

more needs - certain temperatures, food, water, cleanliness, air, love...people...certain people... We cling to these needs, holding on like toddlers grasping for balance from chair to chair - hanging on for dear life. If one chair is poorly placed, we fall to our knees, crying for help. This is who we are through and through. We cannot live without our chairs. There is no use denying this. We limp between the gaps that come during life and sometimes we crawl. We beg God for help and we obtain the grace to stand and walk again, but we always remain needy creatures. It is the basic human condition. God made us this way - unable to live without necessities. We become panic-stricken when they are removed... And the dear love of another - the sound of a voice, the touch of a hand - laughter, warmth - this we count on, too. This is equal to air it seems and it simply cannot be removed. And yet, throughout life it is....over and over again. And with certain removals, it is more of a ripping apart - a devastating destruction...Who can live through it? It is not as though waiting a little will find things restored. No. For the rest of our days there will be a crippled limping after such surgery. We suffer so terribly. But it is a point to understand - it is we here on earth who suffer. Those who have been saved are not suffering. Their eternal joy has begun, knowing that, even if not immediately, they will soon be in Paradise! We will suffer continually at their loss, but there is solace in knowing that they are filled with joy. Who would not want their loved one to have this joy? Our suffering is a great tool - a surgical one, perhaps - to carve us into bigger souls that strive to know the mind of God. The more we grow, the more we can try to think as God thinks - to see things through His eyes. If we do this, we can even find understanding in a loss as devastating as the loss of Sean. Sean was taken before he could be corrupted. Who knows if he would have lost his innocence. We see his life as ending too soon, but God may think that it is not too soon at all. His life was complete at this number of days, though we may be numbed wondering how this could be possible. We keep striving to see life as God sees it...eternity rather than just today and the days ahead. Eternity! Sean has made it to eternity! We have to keep our eyes on this, not only for him, but for ourselves. Our pain today will mean so much in the eyes of eternity if we use it properly - offering it up and striving, striving very hard, to grow into bigger souls though it hurts so terribly. So we pray....we pray for the family. We pray for Sean. We pray for ourselves. God be with us! God bless Sean! Pray for us, Sean! Thank you for being such a good boy! I would recommend having Gregorian Masses said for Sean. They are part of a pious tradition in which 30 consecutive Masses are said for the departed. I would also recommend CS Lewis's book "A Grief Observed." Finally, I would recommend The Surrender Novena..."And when I must lead you on a path different from the one you see, I will prepare you; I will carry you in My arms; I will let you find yourself, like children who have fallen asleep in their mother's arms, on the other bank of the river..."

J

Janice Nowak, kindergarten teacher

When Sean was a student in kindergarten, he always welcomed everyone with a bright smile and cheerfulness. He especially loved being in the presence of his classmates, while his classmates benefited by just knowing Sean. Sean loved books, creating art projects, free time for game activities, listening to stories being read to him, and was always determined to put forth his very best, and that he did! What a blessing to have had Sean in our kindergarten class. Now, heaven benefits by his presence. Janice Nowak

K

Kathleen O'Leary

I did not know Sean but some of my cousins did. I am so very sorry for your loss of your beloved son. May your memories of such a fine young man help you through this time of grieving. And may the perpetual light shine upon Sean

M

Mary Therese Kerrigan

I will not remember the date, but I will always remember the moment I stared at the TV in my parents' apartment watching the news. Is this really happening in Hinsdale? The shock the next day as I sat watching my mom take the phone call from a close mutual friend of Kathy Richards. My mom's broken voice when she called me, now back in California a few days later, to say that Sean had died. "I don't know if I should even tell you this." What should we do, I asked? "I don't know." Then she said something like "hug your loved ones." My cousin offering to take my parents to the wake and funeral; going to their home so that they could stream the mass today. I texted my cousin yesterday, "I'm sorry you also knew him." Her response: "I did not know him or the family. My heart breaks for all of them. It has shaken the whole Hinsdale community. So senseless. So sad." Somehow grateful that hundreds of thousands in the Chicago area feel your loss and mourn with you. I hope that comforts you.

D

Debby Bertuca

Brian, Kristine and family.... words can't express how deeply saddened we are with regards to Sean's passing. We are truly heartbroken for you - God bless him in Heaven. We are praying for you all. Love, Debby Bertuca and Larry Commiso



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Karen Cairo



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Steven Boehm

Deepest condolences from the Boehm Family. I cannot imagine the grief that your loss must bring. Please know that we share in your grief and pray that you find the strength to endure this terrible loss. Sending our love and prayers to your family.

L

Lori Smith

I didn't know Sean but he reminded me of my grandson. There are only some kids that are like Sean, I have one too. I hope you can find peace within your heart at some point. Prayed for Sean when I heard of his tragedy, he will forever on my list of people I pray for. Such a short time to be on this earth. Wish I could've met him, I know someday I will. Keep the faith, your sweet angel Sean.

D

Diana Sullivan & Family



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Merle Phillips

We are so very sorry for the loss of your beloved son, Sean. He is now in heaven surrounded by the angels. Our prayers are with all of you at this most difficult time. As a note, although we have not met each other, your family and ours have been close through your relationship with Natasha's family and Finn's friendship with Ethan. We are all deeply affected by your loss. May God bless you all. Rohan & Merle Phillips and family

M

Marjorie Zaugh

Sean and your Family are forever etched in my heart and are forever in my prayers. My sorrow and lamentation are deep and I cannot imagine how devastating yours are. Our faith is what keeps us going now. I know you are a family of faith and love. I pray your faith helps to sustain you in this tragic time and that God holds and comforts you in the palm of His hand.

K

Kevin, Katie, Aiden (Benet '25), Connor, Ava & Clara Hulett

One of my favorite memories of Sean was when he came to watch Finn run at a track meet. Finn ran amazing, then immediately turned to Sean and, placing both hands on his shoulders, said "that will be you soon". Sean's entire face lit up in the biggest smile imaginable. I feel that all my memories of Sean involve seeing him smile. As a family, we are all completely heartbroken for each of you. The love in the Richards family runs deep, and I know Sean felt that love every single day. Our love, prayers and support don't seem like enough to offer, but we will continue to hold all of the Richards in our daily thoughts and prayers. Much love to all of you.

K

Kristy Oliverio

Our deepest condolences to your entire family. Brooke told our family what a kind person Sean always was, he never hesitated to help her at alter serving. Love and prayers, The Oliverio Family

R

Ramita Chawla

Dear Richards Family, We're so sorry for your loss. Our deepest condolences for your entire family. May you find comfort and strength in the loving memories of Sean. Ramita and Nakul Uppal

R

Radmila Dimitri-Ninow

Our deepest condolences to the Richards Family. Our hearts are broken for all of you. You will be in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Dimitri-Ninow Family

M

Mike & Harriet from Clock Shop of Hinsdale

Our deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our hearts are so broken for your family. Our thoughts, along with all of Hinsdale are with you and your family and mourning the loss of your son. Our deepest condolences. Mike & Harriet Clock & Watch Shop of Hinsdale

J

Julie Potts

The night after the benediction mass I saw Sean in his white robe walking with Brian home. I will forever remember that beautiful moment. He was an angel who walked briefly on this earth and now he's an angel forever in heaven. Julie Potts

N

Noreen Hoenig

It is with a heavy heart I send my condolences for the loss of this beautiful, kind student I knew as his school nurse . Always a smile , respectful and many hellos while walking to class . Good morning hugs in heaven.

S

Sullivan Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Service



"Sullivan Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Service posted a video"

Watch now

J

Jon and Abbey Beaumont

I'm grateful for the times I got to meet and interact with Sean years ago when he was younger. His smile was infectious and, like the rest of the Richards family, he was incredibly smart, fun, welcoming, and kind. We're heartbroken for Sean's family and offer our deepest sympathies. We're so appreciative of what Sean was able to give us.

G

Garrett Hayes

Brian and family, I am lost for words on how to express my sorrow at your news. It is impossible to imagine the pain that you are going through. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I have made a donation in Sean's memory to st Isaac Jogues church. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Deepest sympathy Garrett Hayes

E

Erwin Ortiz

Our deepest condolences go out to you and your family. Sean will be missed but his smile and kindness will never be forgotten.

M

Mira and Sherif Albert

Dearest Richards Family, We pray for God to provide strength and comfort as you navigate this impossibly dark time. May Sean watch over your family and all of your loved ones as your heavenly angel. Our deepest condolences. Sincerely, Sherif, Mira, Benjamin and Thomas Albert

S

Savannah Spring

I met Sean very briefly when I stayed with the Richards family for a few days in December after befriending Grace at college. When Sean came home from school, he walked in the door, said his sister's name with so much love, and gave her the biggest hug. His gentleness, kindness, and smile not only reminded me of his sister but stuck out to me in the way they lit up a room. He was unlike any other eighth-grade boy I've ever met, and I know his pure heart is with the Lord now. I know he was loved so deeply by many others who knew him better than I did. My heart, thoughts, and prayers go out to the Richard's family.

C

Chris Stevens

Dear Richards Family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Our hearts are hurting for you during this difficult time. There are no words to console you, but know that we are thinking of you. Chris & Meghan Stevens

S

Schnurr Family

So sorry for your loss. Our deepest condolences for your entire family. We will continue to pray for all of you and for the soul of Sean.



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T

Tony, Tammy, Isabella, Liliana & Ivan Pervan

Dear Brian, Kristine, Conor, Grace & Finn, Words cannot express just how wholeheartedly devastated we are as a family to have heard about the loss of Sean. We are so sorry. You all have been on our minds, in our thoughts and in our prayers everyday. We will continue Sending thoughtful prayers your way in the hope you know you are not alone in your time of grieving.

J

Justin Snow

My most heartfelt condolences to the friends and family! Such a senseless event and tragic loss. Rest In Peace sweet boy! May calm and love fill your families hearts.



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Jim Legner

We are heartbroken for your loss. Sean and your family are in our prayers and intentions. The Legner Family (Jim, Kirsten, Abby, Andrew & Katie)

J

Judy Ranallo

I hope the love from family, friends and complete strangers like myself will give you comfort.

D

Douvas Family

Brian, Kristine, Connor, Grace and Finn, Please accept our deepest condolences on the loss of Sean. We are all heartbroken for you. We continue to hold you in our thoughts and prayers. May your love and memories bring you comfort, we pray you find strength and peace in this devastating time. Demetra, James, Nicolette, Litsa and Nicholas Douvas

M

Mushtaq Pipitone Family

The Mushtaq- Pipitone family would like to express our deepest condolences to the Richards family for the loss of their precious, kind, smart, sweet Sean. Please know we are praying for you. May you find strength during this difficult time.

M

Matthew J Campbell

Dear Brian and Kristine, Connor, Grace and Finn, Words cannot express how sorry we were to learn of this unimaginable tragedy. Sean was a beautiful boy. Please know that your family will be in our daily prayers. Matt and Bridget Campbell

M

Molly Fitzgerald

I am so deeply sorry for the loss of your precious son. I remember his beautiful, sweet smile throughout his kindergarten year at SIJ. My prayers are with your family.

S

Sharon Danielczyk

I am so very sorry about your son. I lost my 20 yr old son in an auto accident in 1995. When I heard about this accident I prayed for your son & was hoping he would be okay. God bless him. My sincere condolences to his family.

C

Courtney Panzer

I am formerly from St. Charles and Barrington and heard the terrible news. I have a son Sean Patrick's age and cannot imagine your pain. My heart breaks for you. From what I have heard, Sean was a gentle and kind soul loved by many. I am praying for the Richards family.



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Angela Lavelli

Our deepest condolences for the whole Richard's Family. May God brings you comfort and peace to your souls. Our prayers will be with your during this difficult time. Sebastian Garcia Lavelli and Family.



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S

Sofia Coracides Epperson

While we know Sean is now in heaven, we are devastated by this enormous loss. We will continue to pray for Sean and your entire family. Sending our love, the Coracides and Epperson family

A

Angel Heriberto Vega Rodriguez

It's really sad that this happened our blessings and condolences for all Sean's relatives and friends Our Mexican community comes together to grieve your loss REST IN PEACE Sean Patrick Richards

**J**

John Walsh III

My father John is Brian's first cousin and my Uncle Steve was Sean's godfather. I was so saddened by his passing such a wonderful kid. I was so happy that he got to meet my wife Morgan before our wedding three years ago. She sadly passed away last month. Brian, Kristine, Conor, Grace, and Finn I'm praying you guys!!!!

T

The Havelka Family

We will forever remember Sean, his kindness, humbleness and beautiful soul. We know he is rejoicing in the presence of our lord. We continue to pray for his family, friends and community as we try to heal from our loss of his smile and presence here on earth.

C

Cheryl Geiger

My heart is absolutely broken for your family. We lost a daughter 23 years ago at age 15 and know all too well your pain. I will keep you in my prayers in the difficult days ahead. Just 2 weeks before losing your sweet Sean our 4th grandchild was born in Hinsdale hospital and named....Sean. Just want you to know I will think of your sweet and adorable boy many times in the years ahead whenever I am with our Sean and will only pray he embodies all the same wonderful characteristics I hear described of your Sean. He sounds alot like our Ashley and I know she was there in heaven to welcome him with a friendly hug. Again I will keep in my prayers....God Bless your family.



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M

Matthew Leisten

My thoughts and prayers are with the Richards family along with the SIJ and Benet communities . May the Lord comfort them all.

M

Michele Sullivan

We are heartbroken for you. Sean and your family will forever be in our thoughts and prayers. We hope you find peace and comfort in the many beautiful memories of your beloved son. May God bless you and give you strength during this difficult time. Love, Michael, Michele, Gabrielle and Mia Sullivan

H

Hasek Family

Please know that we are praying with you and thinking of Sean and your family in this great time of sorrow. As the Holy Mother Mary embraces Sean in heaven, may his beautiful radiant smile be imprinted in our hearts.

J

Jennifer Jaworski

May God wrap his loving arms around Sean and help ease his family's pain during this most difficult time. I do not personally know Sean or his family but I have been praying since I heard of the accident. Words just cannot express how heartbroken our community is for this family. I'm so very sorry for your loss. Jennifer Jaworski of LaGrange

A

anonymous

I'm so sorry for your tragic lost of Sean Richards, although I do not Know the family or Sean. I just can't bare what his parents are going at this time, it's truly heartbreaking to die at such a young age. My condolences goes out to Richards family. He maybe gone but will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace.

T

Tina weller

God bless your beautiful angel , May God help you heal prayers for your family Jeff and Tina Weller

L

Lora Wright

I have been praying night and day for Sean and your whole family. My sister, Amy, is married to Steve Walsh and I have heard many beautiful stories through the years about your loving family and wonderful children. I hope you can all hold each other close to find some comfort in your sorrow. ???:? Lora Wright

T

The LoPresti Family

Although we do not know your family personally, as parents and Hindaleans for over 31 years, we feel your incredible pain. Our hearts are so broken for your family. We, along with all of Hinsdale, are mourning the loss of your sweet Sean. Know that we will keep your family & Sean forever in our prayers. Our deepest of sympathies. The LoPresti Family

K

kimberly sayers

Grace, Finn, Connor and Richards family, you are in my thoughts a prayers. I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for healing and to find comfort that he is in heaven. Ms Kim Sayers Benet Academy.

T

Tammy Shelor-Blain

Our heart breaks for all of you with the unbelievable loss of your beautiful son, Sean. What an amazing young man who touched so many lives over the course of his short 14 years on earth. Sean will continue to do God's work in Heaven while he looks over all of you with protection and love. May God bless you and continue to give you strength to keep you all together to live your best lives in Sean's memory. May God Bless all of you during this very difficult time. You will forever be in our prayers. The Blain Family Tammy, Todd, and Brayden (Benet #2025)

T

Timothy Egan

Dear Brian and Kristine, I am terribly sorry for your loss and will pray for your family. May God's Blessings give you strength at this dark hour.

T

The Benet Girls Swim Family.

Deepest condolences to the Richards family. With love and prayers for the unimaginable loss of your beloved Sean.



Tribute Store

A memorial tree was planted in memory of Sean Patrick Richards.

C

Chris Zotti

I was a sub last year at SIJ and each time I was on the 3rd floor Sean stood out as kind, bright and outstanding young man. I extend my heartfelt sympathy to Sean's family.

T

The Cowans

All of the Cowans are praying for the Richards Family. Know that though Sean has passed from our sight, he has not passed from God's care. May you experience love and healing through all who are brought near together in sadness and grief. With love, hugs and tears, The Cowans

B

Bernadine McCarthy

Sincere condolences to the family of Sean. My prayers thoughts are with you at this time.



Anonymous

Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.



"Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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Anonymous

With Deepest Sympathy - The Benet Academy Fine Arts Department



"Red Florist's Choice"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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Anonymous

Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.



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May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, be with you all.



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Frank Ogren

For 35 years I went by that site to my office. Now to think that this treasured son was called to Glory from his committed loving parents. None of us can comprehend the grief. All of us can pray for Christ's Presence and solace as you pass through these deep waters. Praying for you and yours.



Staff at Butler National GC

Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. May God bless Sean!



"Ocean Breeze Spray"

was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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A tree was also planted in memory of Sean Patrick Richards.



Karen Klena

We are so sorry for the tragic accident that caused the loss of your beloved son Sean. Although we don't know the Richards they are in our thoughts and prayers ?? Gone much too soon. God bless??

A

Anonymous

Our deepest condolences for your loss.



The Benet Boys Swim Team

Sent with love and remembrance,



"Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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J

Joe and Carinne Nicosia

Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss... Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

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Anonymous

Thinking of you all, our deepest sympathies to your family.



Anonymous

We are thinking of you during this difficult time.



"White Florist's Choice"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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Show your support with flowers

A tree was also planted in memory of Sean Patrick Richards.

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Anonymous

Thinking of all of you. May Seans Light continues shining upon your family and brings you comfort and peace. I know how it feels.

A

Anonymous

Brian, my deepest condolences to you and your family for your loss. I have no words. May you all find peace.



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A memorial tree was planted in memory of Sean Patrick Richards.



Beckylee Dykiel, 1st grade teacher, SIJ

No words just prayers. I will be praying for this sweet angel. Sincerely,



"Florist's Choice Bouquet"
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D

Diane Pasquinelli

To Mr. And Mrs. Richards and Family, My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to all of you on the loss of your sweet and kind son and brother.



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Anonymous

Our deepest condolences



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The Riedl Family - Chris, Steve, Jack & Jason

Our deepest condolences to your family. May Seans light continue to shine on us all forever.



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Anonymous

Sending our love and prayers to your beautiful family. Love, The Ryan Family Buddigs, B Ryans, M Ryans, Seyfarths, T Ryans, Rooney's and Coffeys



"Magnificent Life Spray"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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T

The Gilmore Family

Our deepest sympathies to the Richards family. Thinking and praying for you all.

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Tom Maura Kate Aileen Maeve Sean Eamon Ryan

May Seans light shine on all of us. God Bless your family.



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The Tyszka Family

Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Winand & Loudenslagel Law Group

With deepest sympathy,



"Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray"
was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Richards

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M

Michael, Therese, Meghan, Nora & Michael jr

God bless you and your family! All the best, The Rooney Family



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T

The Cannan Family

For in the true nature of things, if we rightly consider, every green tree is far more glorious than if it were made of gold and silver.

T

The Banks Family

We love you! Sean will forever shine bright in our hearts. His smile lit up a room and now he lights up Heaven.



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The Baron Family

We are thinking of you with heavy hearts. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



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We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Sullivan Funeral Home & Cremation Services