RYAN E. LIBKA 1978 - 1992

Ryan E. Libka, age 13, of Flint Township, son of former Pigeon resident Harold and Jeanine Libka died Thursday, June 11 at Flint Osteopathic Hospital as a result of injuries suffered when he and his best friend Matthew W. Bush were hit by a car at 6:44 p.m. on S. Linden Road near W. Reid Road in Mundy Township while attempting to cross to a market to buy pop.



Ryan was born in Flint on Sept. 27, 1978 and had been a resident of the Flint area his entire life. He was a member of Peace Lutheran Church. Ryan was an honor student at Carman-Ainsworth Jr. High School. He had earned an Academic Letter from Carman-Ainsworth and was accepted at Delta College ATYP. He was an avid water and snow skier. He was active in Future Problem Solvers, Book Bowl, Quiz Bowl and AYSO Soccer. He held a Blue Belt in Hapkido. His hobbies were collecting comic books and writing poetry. He had traveled to Australia and Europe.

Ryan is survived by his mother and father, Jeanine and Harold Libka; grandparents, Neil and Joan Libka of Pigeon and Marilyn Baird of Flint; great-grandmother Inez Baird of Flint; aunts, uncles and cousins, Jean Baird, James and Teresa Baird and daughter Ashley, Robert and Bonnie Libka and daughters Kim, Michelle and Jennifer, Tom and Debbie Libka and daughter Hilary, Alice Libka and sons Jeremy, Sean and Beau, Mary and Mike McKinnon, Patrick Libka; special friends and exchange students, Aliisa Nevalainen, Jussi Kohonen, Jukka Raisanen, Katrii Lempinen, Chad Milward, Jennifer Pitt, Ingvild Riisberg, Renzo Marsano, Kerkko Jaaskelainen.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, James Baird in 1979 and his best, best friend, Matthew Bush.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, June 15 at Peace Lutheran Church, 2051 West Maple Ave., Flint. Pastor James G. Wilber officiated with burial in Evergreen Cemetery. Swartz Funeral Home, G-1225 West Hill Rd., Flint, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Peace Lutheran Church.