



Sean Phillip Riley

February 3, 1988 - August 24, 2015

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KG

“ *Still miss you every day! Take care other family :) love you all*

Kurt Gunderson - August 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *So very sorry for your loss Geno and Cheryl. My thoughts are with you both along with Daniel and Jimmy, along with the rest of you extended families.*

Cathy Bliss - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *Sean was just a little guy when I saw him last. Even as a little guy, I could tell he had a heart of gold. Love and peace to you all during this time of sorrow. Heartfelt condolences.*

CONNI NEVIUS - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *Sean was a wonderful brother. I will never forget his sense of humor, he could always make us girls laugh even during rough times. He had a beautiful smile. He was kindhearted and always cared for other people. I also remember his love for animals. He had a great connection with them like I've never seen. Over the years we've lost touch, but I never stopped thinking of him and wondering what he's been up to. Sean will be missed so much. I'll never forget all of our great memories. Love you little Sean*

Michaela Anderson - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Sean is my youngest brother. I was eight when he was born. At the hospital, the nurse didn’t want to let me hold him, but my dad insisted. The nurse brought me a hospital gown, and when I put it on, she placed this warm little bundle in my arms. Sean was awake – he wasn’t crying, he just had these big eyes and was quietly scanning the whole room, observing everything. I fell in love with him immediately. I don’t have children of my own, and every time I hold someone else’s baby, I’m always terrified I’m going to drop it. But I was never worried I would drop Sean. I just knew somehow that I would be there for him and that there was no possibility I could ever hurt him. Even as a child, Sean was incredibly loving. He always wanted to hold hands, give hugs, and lean his head against you. He loved people. He had his own bedroom, but he almost never slept in it. He preferred to sleep in a sleeping bag on the floor of our other brother, Jimmy’s, room than to sleep in his own comfortable bed. It wasn’t because he was afraid of the dark – he wasn’t – it was because he’d gladly sacrifice basic comforts to be with those he loved. It has helped me tremendously to hear from friends over the last week. So many people have shared their memories of Sean, and the theme is always the same: He loved people, and he always wanted to make people happy. I think the last thing I ever said to my brother was, “Can I call you back later?” He had a habit of always calling while I was at work or driving. I don’t distinctly remember the last thing he ever said to me, but I know what it was, because it was the way he ended every conversation with me: “I love you, Dude.” I love you, too, Little Dude.

Daniel Riley - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ My fondest memory of Sean was when I was staying at the house in Camas with the Riley “œclan.” I was between houses and needed a place to stay and Geno and the boys invited me to stay with them. It was some of the best times I have had. I remember Sean trying to teach “œbear,” the family dog, some tricks using treats, some were successful, most weren’t, but it was funny to watch. Those two seemed to be joined at the hip. I remember we use to all pile into the Ford Taurus and drive around town with Sean and Bear in the back seat. Sean would have to hold Bear because he was so excited to be on a road trip. I remember a hike where Sean, Geno, Jimmy and Bear (I think Dan was in college then) headed out for a hike in some area with lava rock. It was raining and we tore up our shoes and rain gear but had a great time. I will always remember Sean with a smile on his face and with Bear standing next to him. For Sean and myself, it was a fun time. I will miss you Sean.

James Zapref - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Love you guys. Sorry I couldn’t be there in person to give my condolences.

Jessica Reid - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I remember Seany Boy when he was about 5 and how sweet and cute he was and how much he was loved by both his parents. You guys always said what a wonderful surprise and blessing that boy was. Daniel and Jimmy were always so kind to him and took great care of him as he was a bit younger than them. I can’t imagine your grief and just want you all to know I am thinking of you and praying you get some peace. Love Jace and Lori Wasson

JACE AND LORI WASSON - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *I remember Sean as one of the sweetest people I've ever met. So kind to everyone and always looking for the good in all. My heart goes out to his family and friends.*

sheri trask - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I first met Sean when he was about 11, so I always thought of him as a little brother (even though he technically belongs to Dan). Sean always remembered to tell us he loved us at the end of our conversations. A great example to live by. One of the first times I met him, Dan, Sean, and I took Sean's dog Bear to the Lake. We played this game called, "Where's Sean." This game involved Dan holding Bear back, and Sean running and hiding. After a few minutes Dan would release Bear and yell, "Where's Sean" until Bear found Sean. On this particular day, I think Sean hid in a tree and jumped out of a bush at Bear. I am not sure who loved that game more, Sean or Bear. I have never seen an animal and human bonded like that, before or since. The Riley boys have their own language and this whole entire way of communicating that is in code. They have special words to denote different things (papimes for sleeping, etc), they often communicate in movie quotes, or ATC lingo, this family has created their own "familect." Sean also did these amazing impressions. All the Riley boys are great at telling a story, but Sean was especially expressive. He would usually laugh at the end. This tribute is right, Sean had the best laugh. I've known and worked with many families over the years, and I have never seen a family as loving and bonded as this one- they are special and it was really amazing to watch Sean grow up. I feel so lucky to be a Riley. I loved to hear Sean talk about the things he was engaged in because he was so great about bringing any topic to life (as a result I know way more about animals and outdoor gear than I ever thought I would). Sean was quirky and knew something about everything. He was such a great conversationalist. I wish I had magic words to help the family feel better. I really wish there was something I could say or do to make this better for everyone. Our broken hearts will learn to beat again. I love you brother.

Jewel Rademacher Riley - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Diane Wiebelhaus - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I am Sean’s Uncle Steve, Geno’s younger brother. I’d like to share a special memory of Sean. In the Fall of 1998 when Sean was 10 and Geno was living in Camas, WA, I came for a 3-day visit and for one of those days I got to spend the entire day with Sean. We had a great time playing games and running around. In the afternoon Geno took us down to the sports club in Camas and we swam in the pool and played a little game of one-on-one water basketball. I told Sean about how his Daddy and I used to play one-on-one baseball when we were kids and how we would make up the names for our players such as “Twin T”, “Heavy Chevy” and “Ju Ju Eyeballs”. Sean said he wanted to be “Goo-Goo Eyeballs” and needless to say, Goo-Goo won that water basketball game on a last second shot. When I got ready to leave from that trip, I took a photograph of Sean and at the last second he started laughing and took his arms out of his sleeves and started waving them around as I took the picture. I’ll never forget that special day I spent with him. Geno, I am so very sorry. I know how much you loved Sean. I love you so much, bro. Rita, Simon and I send loving thoughts to you and all of your family. -Steve

Steve Riley - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Hi Sean, I never got the pleasure of meeting you. Ever since I have known my husband, Mike Brown, he has talked fondly of sharing many adolescent memories with you. I have known your name “Sean Riley” for a long time, and never got to shake your hand. About a month ago, we were talking about our childhood best friends, and of course stories of you and him came up! I mostly remember stories about him staying at your house for days on end, and the many adventures you to boys shared, you know, staying out of trouble :) What resonates with me most is, out of all the friends that have come in and out of my husband’s life; for one reason or another, I have never heard one negative memory of you. It’s always brought up in laughter and cheerfulness, purely reminiscing about the good old childhood days together that did not last long enough. We will continue to rejoice in the memories that you both shared. Thank you for being such a great friend to Mike in his younger years, when he genuinely needed a friend. Rest in Peace Sean - Chelsea Brown

Chelsea Brown - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Geno, I'm so deeply sorry for your loss. I have known Sean since 1999, when Geno brought him to my house to take care of my pool. That was a great way for the dad and son to work and bond together! Geno, we all at Pro-Dental Care thinking of you at this time. Please except our condolences. Mikhail Prokopets DDS and staff

Mikhail Prokopets - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ For all the family and friends of your dear Sean, During this sad and trying time, remember all the joy and happiness Sean brought into your lives. Cherish these memories and pray for the comfort they may bring in the days that follow. We will be keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Karen and Michael Bakke Patricia and Davis Whoston Realitives in Newark DE.

Karen Bakke - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Dear Geno & Family, Words canâ€™t express how saddened we are to hear of the loss of your beloved Son Sean. I know how he was such a special soul and made you so proud. May you always hold and cherish the memories of his life with you. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. With our Love, Craig & Valerie Bliss

Craig Bliss - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Geno & Family, We are so very sorry to hear of Sean's passing. Our hearts go out to you & your entire family. May he rest in peace & may God comfort you at this difficult time. You all will be in our thoughts & prayers. Take care of yourselves & God bless all of you. Our heartfelt sympathy. Love, Cousins Anne, Joe, Brian & Anne

Anne & Joe Smigielski - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Your son was like a brother to me, I miss him every minute. Everything reminds me of him. He made my life a lot better, and could always make me laugh even when i was having a hard time. Thank you for bringing such a wonderful person into this world. Sincerely, Kurt

Kurtis Gunderson - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ We were saddened to learn of Sean's passing. I know that hearts are heavy now, but glad to know of the love Dan and Jewel had for him. They always spoke of him with high regards, worried about him and would seek him out whenever they were in town. There are some photos shared from Dan and Jewel's wedding; but my favorite is of Sean, Dan and Jimmy together in their tuxedos. May you feel the comfort and love of the many people who send their love and prayers your way.

Tim and Shari Rademacher - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ We are so saddened by your loss are thoughts and prayers are with you. Love Peter and Lee.

Peter hepple - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM