



Benjamin Ryan Johnson

April 19, 1985 - July 23, 2024

Benjamin passed away in his home unexpectedly on July 23rd, 2024. As we grieve his loss, we are reminded of the remarkable person he was. Born and raised in Hopkins, Benjamin showcased his genius and ambition from the very beginning, dreaming of owning a computer while the rest of us were dreaming of snacks. Little did we know that his life would revolve around technology, and his passion for computers and games would only grow with time. Benjamin enjoyed a successful career in IT, taking great pride in his ability to fix almost anything.

He had a wide range of interests, from music to watches, and always found joy in tinkering with the latest gadgets that arrived through his daily Amazon packages. Benjamin's love for motorcycles, bikes, and legos was evident, and he recently fulfilled a lifelong dream by acquiring his beloved 1969 Candy Apple Red Ford Mustang Mach 1, appropriately named "Rouge." Stepping into Benjamin's house was like entering a portal to a galaxy far, far away, as his lifelong devotion to the Star Wars saga was evident in almost every corner. His dialogue was peppered with obscure movie quotes that only the most dedicated fans could grasp. And let's not forget his love for classic video games, which inspired him to wear his passion on his sleeve-or rather, his skin-through his award-winning tattoos.

Benjamin will be deeply missed by his mother, Rhonda; father, Brad; sister,

Emily (Matt); two nieces, Liza and Remi; two cats, Anakin and Leia; and the countless friendships that he considered family.

We hope Benjamin has found peace and is now somewhere where the air is cool, the jam sessions never end, the Wi-Fi is fast, and an abundance of candy awaits. We look forward to hearing your stories of Benjamin. Visitation will be on Friday, August 2nd, 2-3PM followed by a Memorial Service from 3-4PM at Washburn-McReavy Hopkins Chapel, 1400 Mainstreet in Hopkins, MN. A private ceremony will take place for the burial of the ashes. Please feel free to dress how you please as Benjamin often showed up in a costume to many events. In lieu of flowers, Benjamin would appreciate a donation to Locks of Love, Hazelden Betty Ford, or purchase a fun pair of socks that remind you of him with every step.

May the force be with you.

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Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 2. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel
1400 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343

Memorial Service

AUG 2. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel
1400 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343

Tribute Wall

BR

“ *I just found out. Miss you dude.*



Brian - June 12, 2025 at 11:52 AM

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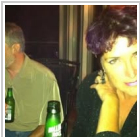
“ *Ben was authentic, thoughtful, and nonchalant. He had a smile at the ready that brought me comfort every time I saw it. Ben listened with care. He loved what he loved and one couldn't help but love that too!*

I knew Ben his entire life. I can hear his voice and feel his tight, wholehearted hugs. It hurts so much to lose him. But I'll carry his kindness with me always.

And Rhonda and Brad, Emily and Matt, I will come visit next time I am there. Until then, you are all in my heart. I am sending you all the peace and love I have.

Rest in peace Benjamin! I love you!

Alissa Ryder - July 29, 2024 at 11:31 PM



“ *There are no words to say... The loss is too much already.*

- With love from your former neighbors on Herman Terrace, Jason, Diane, and Calvin.

Diane Alderete - July 29, 2024 at 07:50 PM

EW

“ I am so sorry, Johnson family - Emily, Brad, and Rhonda - sending you so much love at this time.

I'll never forget Ben always being the cool "older brother" as Emily and I would hang out at their home in Hopkins as kids. I still think of Ben anytime Weezer comes on and always loved his tribute to the band on the back windshield of his old Honda so many years ago. Other memories include Barbie, the tiny dog that used to be his ever-present shadow as he moved throughout the house (she would never let me get close! She was Ben's dog and Ben's dog only!) Most recently, I saw Ben a few years ago over the holidays as I visited Emily/Matt and the kiddos at their home, and it was utterly gorgeous to catch up with him in that moment.

His brilliance was evident and inspiring, and he will be so missed.

Emily Wiemer - July 29, 2024 at 02:37 PM

CH

“ Rhonda, Brad, and Emily, our family sends the deepest condolences to you and your family. Our hearts are aching at your loss! I stand here today, words inadequate of comfort and care, but a deep sense of knowing that your family and friends deeply care about you. I pray that the many wonderful moments you shared with Ben will be memories that will help sustain you through the difficult day is ahead. Sending hugs and love!

Carol Hondlik - July 29, 2024 at 09:36 AM



“ A special memory of Ben, Rhonda and Brad. Tender thoughts.
Deepest prayers



Brian Johnson - July 28, 2024 at 09:45 PM



“ This is totally surreal and I am completely unprepared, but Ben, my dear friend: I will remember you whenever I hear Weezer or the Foo Fighters, when someone drives by on a sweet motorcycle, when I watch HACF or SLC Punk, when I smell cool water cologne, when I flip through my burned cd's (so many of which you made for me!), when I tell my daughter how she'll never understand just how awesome LAN parties and The Matrix were, whenever I drive through Hopkins - especially around the Fourth of July. I'll remember you when I go up to the Boundary Waters, when I go out to watch the meteor showers. I'll think of your mom and her loving, merciless teasing me; how much you loved your sister; how you and your dad are the slimmest men with the deepest voices I've ever known! You were such a good friend and I will mourn and cherish all the time we got to share.



Amanda Hillman - July 28, 2024 at 09:09 PM

BJ

“ Lots of years have passed since this was taken - just wish we had the chance for many, many more. Missing you now and forever - Dad



Brad Johnson - July 28, 2024 at 06:54 PM



“ I will miss you forever.



Emily Boss - July 28, 2024 at 05:13 PM

JB

Emily, I am so very sorry. Sending my love.

Jill Boss-Pieres - July 28, 2024 at 08:37 PM

ST

Rhonda, I am so sorry to hear about Ben. Sending lots of love and hugs to you and your family.
Take care, Sara Tschimperle

Sara Tschimperle - August 01, 2024 at 03:14 PM