



David Robert Forster, Jr.

June 24, 2016

Forster, David Robert, Jr. Our beautiful, first born son, David Robert Forster Jr., left us way too soon after collapsing during a run early Friday evening, June 24th, near his home in Northeast Minneapolis. David's 27 years with us were far too short, but they were filled with many extraordinary experiences and many many people who knew and loved him dearly. David was a proud Hopkins Royal and St. John's Johnnie, finding his passion for running as a member of the track and cross country teams at both schools. It was running that also gave him countless life-long friends. Always an innovator, David established a successful lawn care company in junior high, and during high school, he built a mini, athletic shoe empire. At St. John's, David studied Global Business Leadership and was chosen to be an Entrepreneurial Scholar, a program which took him to Silicon Valley and China, and cemented his long-standing interest in entrepreneurship. After college, David started his career as a business analyst for Target Corp. and worked his way up the ladder for four years before leaving last fall and applying his talents to his mother's growing company, little pepper promotions. In his months at little pepper, David's experience and innovative spirit brought a new magic to the business. Working daily with his mom was one of the true joys of his life. David loved to run, and he had just begun to compete in the marathon. He ran as a both an elite runner posting a 2:37 at last year's Grandma's and a supporter completing this year's Grandma's in 4:26 with his fiancé Abby and helping three buddies finish the Portland Marathon last fall. David played and

followed sports of all kinds, and was a passionate Green Bay Packer fan from age four. David also loved music, both live shows and recordings, and he loved sharing music of all kinds selectively and personally -- with just the right person. But David's fine ear was not simply limited to music, he listened to people too, with care and consideration which belied his years. David loved to eat, especially with friends and family, and was always willing to share a new dish or restaurant suggestions, whether he had actually tried it himself yet or not. David loved his many, many, many friends, and he had an extraordinary ability to connect people from all parts of his life. As one friend remarked, "David was the coolest person you knew he wore the coolest shoes, knew the coolest music yet he was never too cool for anyone he met." David loved his grandparents and aunts and uncles dearly as well as his cousins, all fifteen of them. He was the first born on both sides of his family, and his playful spirit and quiet leadership provided a life-model for each of them to follow. Finally, and most importantly, David loved his family his brothers, Max and Sam and Jon, his parents, Dave and Sandy, and his fiancé, Abby Hansen, the first and only love of his life. Since meeting Abby four years ago, he had never been happier and was so looking forward to their wedding planned for New Year's Eve in Duluth. David and Abby were the perfect pair. David was the quintessential big brother, always a protector, always a cheer leader, always a supporter for Max and Sam. He was, as Max says, "the perfect role model." And for his parents, words simply fall short. He was an endless source of pride and joy and happiness and love. David was an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be deeply missed and dearly loved. He will be in our hearts forever. David was preceded in death by his grandpa Bob Forster, and is survived by: his parents, Dave and Sandy, brothers Max and Sam, fiancé Abby Hansen, grandma Pat Forster, grandparents Bungy and Papa Pfefferle, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family, and countless friends. There will be a wake on Wednesday evening, June 29th 5-8 PM at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Home, Edina Chapel, 5000 West 50th street, Edina 55436. Mass of Christian burial will take place at 12 noon on Thursday, June 30th at

the Basilica of St. Mary, Minneapolis. Luncheon to follow afterward at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to the family for St. John's University.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
(952) 920-3996
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **30**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Basilica of Saint Mary
88 N 17th St
Minneapolis, MN 55403-1295
(612) 333-1381

Tribute Wall

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“ We are so very sorry for the loss of David. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Connie and Joel Wyttenhove

Connie Wyttenhove - July 01, 2016 at 04:59 PM

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“ To the family, fiancée, and friends of David, We are so very sorry for your sudden and heartbreaking loss of David. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this extremely difficult time, and in the days to come. It is evident that he was truly special and deeply loved by so many.



Jeff and Lori Neitzke (Jon's parents)

Lori Neitzke - June 30, 2016 at 09:57 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of David Robert Forster, Jr..



June 29, 2016 at 01:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David Robert Forster, Jr..*



June 28, 2016 at 05:44 PM



“ *Love Brenna and Tim, and the whole family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Robert Forster, Jr..*



Love Brenna and Tim, and the whole family - June 28, 2016 at 02:20 PM



“ *Love Hap, Brenda, Mac and Riley purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of David Robert Forster, Jr..*



Love Hap, Brenda, Mac and Riley - June 28, 2016 at 12:59 PM



“ *The entire family of Minuteman Press International, Inc., extends its profound sympathies to Sandy and Dave on this sad occasion. We send you all our love and prayers, and assure you that you all will remain in our thoughts today, tomorrow, and forever.*

Bob and Karen Titus

Bob Titus - June 28, 2016 at 10:06 AM