



## Dermot Thomas Sullivan

July 22, 2006 - December 8, 2025

Dermot Sullivan, age 19, of Edina, Minnesota, died on Monday, December 8. Dermot loved family, friends, dogs and music. He would brighten instantly when a favorite song came on, smiling bright when his dad sang "Thunderstruck" or his younger brother danced to "Party Rockers in the House Tonight." He especially cherished times when his older brother would read to him. School was his favorite activity. He was a frequent cast member in Edina's Theater for All program. Spending time with his teachers, caregivers and peers gave him joy throughout his life.

Diagnosed with a neurodegenerative condition early in life, Dermot experienced countless challenges that few his age encounter. Yet, those challenges never defined him. Dermot's life was woven with deep connection to his family, to the caregivers who supported him, and to the many people who loved him wholeheartedly. He lived every day surrounded by tenderness, devotion, and unwavering care.

He fought hard for every minute he spent with those he loved, right up to the moment of his passing. Dermot exceeded others' expectations of him in countless ways, teaching those around him about resilience, presence, and unconditional love. His absence is already profoundly felt. The lives of his family and all who knew him are forever changed for knowing him, loving him, and witnessing the quiet courage he demonstrated every day.

He is survived by his loving parents, Joseph and Suzanne Sullivan; his brothers, Owen and Ryan; his maternal grandparents, Gene Kessler and Joan

(Bill) Langsdorf; his paternal grandmother, Dixie Sullivan; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Jerome Sullivan; his uncle, Bill Henningsgaard; and his cousin, Max Henningsgaard.

Dermot's memorial service will be held at Christ Presbyterian Church in Edina on Friday, Dec. 19 with visitation starting at 10 a.m. and service at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served following the service. In lieu of flowers, the Sullivan family welcomes donations in Dermot's memory to BPAN Warriors ([bpanwarriors.org](http://bpanwarriors.org)).

# Tribute Wall

JK

“ We viewed the service online and we were very impressed with the pastor. The whole service was a wonderful tribute to Dermot. Love, Jim and Brenda

Jim Kessler - December 21, 2025 at 05:26 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dermot Thomas Sullivan.



December 18, 2025 at 12:30 PM

JA

“ John A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dermot Thomas Sullivan.

John A. - December 18, 2025 at 12:30 PM

KB

“ It was a joy to get to work with Dermot as his PCA a couple years ago. Rest in Peace buddy

Kayla Buchmann - December 17, 2025 at 01:21 PM

JH

“ Condolences from the Haff Family.

Jeff Haff - December 17, 2025 at 08:28 AM

JN

“ *My sincere sympathy. He received so much love from everyone* 🙏  
*John Norris*

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**John Norris** - December 14, 2025 at 01:58 PM