



Benjamin Joseph Atkins

November 24, 2009 - December 11, 2018

Benjamin Joseph Atkins - 9

Born November 24, 2009- Born into eternal life December 11, 2018. Ben took Jesus' hand and ran off to Heaven to join his loved ones after 2 courageous years battling osteosarcoma. Ben touched so many lives in his 9 short years with his courage, humor and unbelievable faith that we can only hope to emulate.

Ben is survived by: Parents Keith and Georgianna Atkins, siblings Talee Cook, Collin Cook, Alexis Moreland, Milo Atkins and dog Jack. Nana Anita Shillair, Grandma Kathy Thayer,

Godparents Drs. Eric and Maura Buete, Great Aunts and Uncles Mark Devlin (Trish) Jeannie (Jonathan) Cain, Aunts Kimberly Shillair, Charlene Thayer (Ovidio), Dawn LeBaron, Randi (Tony) Serna, Terry (Kim)Vernon, Josh Atkins, Leroy (April) Yant, Helen (Mike) Vardon, Larry Larousa, Cheryl(Tom) Groves and many other relatives, cousins and loved ones. In addition there is a worldwide community of supporters and prayer warriors. He was predeceased by his Great Grandparents Gigi and PopPop Devlin, Grandfather George Thayer and Grandmother Barb Hadley.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at The River Church in Holly, MI on Friday December 14th with visitation from 10AM – 1 PM with a service at 1. A luncheon will follow. In lieu of flowers please consider family wishes or the Benjamin Strong Scholarship Fund.

A Mass of Celebration will be held on Saturday December 15th at St. Marks

Catholic church. Visitation from 9 AM – 11 AM with Mass following at 11:00. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Benjamin Strong Scholarship Fund to continue to keep his light shining for students that overcome adversity with strength humor and faith.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

The River Church
8393 E. Holly Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Service

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DEC 15. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark Catholic Church
415 S. Court St.
Au Gres, MI 48703

Service

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Tribute Wall

KD

“ *Nana Anita, Mom and Dad and family,*

So sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Karen Dyjak

KAREN L DYJAK - December 14, 2018 at 10:14 AM

MM

“ *Thinking of you all , I've been following the Facebook page and that sweet little guy has been so inspirational and has been heavy on my heart . Praying for your strength*



Marcie McKerracher - December 14, 2018 at 09:07 AM



“ *I can't even imagine what you are all going through. My heart breaks for the family. Kayla's memory: He was such a nice boy and let me play Nerf Guns with him everyday. That's why I asked Santa for a Nerf gun for Christmas. Prayers in healing and strength. God look over my cousins and hold them extra tight* ❤️❤️🙏🙏

Jessie Lynne - December 14, 2018 at 08:43 AM

JP

“ *You are a strong, courageous, sweet boy. You will be missed Ben! Love, Mrs. Perkins*



Julie Perkins - December 13, 2018 at 10:45 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Benjamin Joseph Atkins.*



December 13, 2018 at 09:59 PM



“ *Love and prayers!! Ben, you hold a dear place in my heart.*



Candice Turner - December 13, 2018 at 06:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Benjamin Joseph Atkins.*



December 13, 2018 at 02:05 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Benjamin Joseph Atkins.*



December 13, 2018 at 10:04 AM

RS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Such a strong little boy. Praying for you for strength and peace. Bet Jesus gave that little hero a special welcome.

Ralph, Linda and John Shultz - December 13, 2018 at 08:12 AM

SS

“ So sorry my heart hurts for whole family sending prayers to all

Sally Stotler - December 13, 2018 at 01:20 AM

CG

“ Love and prayers to you all with our heartfelt sympathy. Special boy who touched many hearts. Met him at a family gathering where he talked to us about playing video games and how girls werent very good at them a joy to talk to him he will be forever remembered by all who he touched with his positive attitude in trying times

Cheryl and Tom groves - December 13, 2018 at 12:02 AM



“ I am so so sorry, even though I haven't met Ben, I have been watching his progress on line....I was so happy when he got to go home, I am so sorry, this has really hit me hard.

Claudia Ivey - December 12, 2018 at 11:41 PM

AW

“ Amanda Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Joseph Atkins



Amanda Wiggins - December 12, 2018 at 10:56 PM

AW

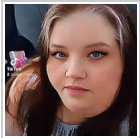
“ I cannot say enough how sorry I am. I will continue to keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Ben:

"I hope you're dancing in the sky
And I hope you're singing in the angels' choir
And I hope the angels know what they have
I'll bet it's so nice up in heaven since you've arrived"

-Dani and Lizzy "Dancing in the Sky"

Amanda Wiggins - December 12, 2018 at 10:55 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss please accept my deepest sympathy ben was a very awesome kid touched alot of people in his time here on earth he will never be forgotton one day you will see his smiling face again . i pray for peace and confort to all of you in Jesus name amen. Love aunt annie rest easy ben.



Andrea Tapia - December 12, 2018 at 10:16 PM

RH

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I wish I had the right words. I hope you find comfort in the memories you have and the love you share for Ben.

Rachael Hubbard - December 12, 2018 at 09:45 PM

MS

“ We have been truly blessed with many happy moments with Ben. One of my favorites was taking Ben to a Flint Firebirds game to go trick or treating around the rink before the game. A few weeks later Ben invited Liam to a U of M Hockey game. The boys were so joyful together, watching them battle each other with nerf guns, playing video games and listening to them chat back and forth. Ben was an angel walking on earth. I am so very sorry for your loss. It's not goodbye, but we will see you again. We love you very much! The Senton Family

Michelle Senton - December 12, 2018 at 09:43 PM

AA

“ Angel Alvarado lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Joseph Atkins



angel alvarado - December 12, 2018 at 08:33 PM







MF

“ Marty/Terry Foshia lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Joseph Atkins



marty/Terry Foshia - December 12, 2018 at 08:21 PM

MF

We are so very sorry for your loss It Breaks  my Heart We will keep you in our prayers and thoughts     

marty Foshia - December 13, 2018 at 05:55 PM

BE

“ I have a memory of strong faith from this family. My prayers are strong for them.

bette - December 12, 2018 at 08:06 PM

AW

“ I am so sorry to hear about Bens passing. I remember him from our preschool program at Holly El. He was a smart, funny, sweet, and active little guy who wanted all the others to be his friend. I extend my sincere condolences and my heart is with you during this time.
Audrey

Audrey Winglemire - December 12, 2018 at 01:40 PM

BL

“ Georgianna, Keith and family

We are so sorry for your loss. Ben will forever hold a place in our hearts.

We send our love to you.. If you need Anything you know where to find us.

Hugs and kisses to you all

Love you

Bob and Kay



Bob and Kay Lacey - December 12, 2018 at 01:38 PM