

## Scott Graham Dingwall

January 6, 1987 - January 18, 2017

Scott Graham Dingwall of Holly, Michigan

Scott was born on January 6, 1987 in Ypsilanti, Mi. He is the beloved son of Douglas and Dora Dingwall. On Wed. Jan. 18, 2017 Scott succumbed to injuries he sustained in an auto accident in 1990. He was surrounded by family, friends and his staff at the time of his passing. Visitation will be from 2-9 PM Sun. and Mon. at Dryer Funeral Home 101 First St. Holly. Scott will be laid to rest at The Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly. A celebration of Scott's awesome life will be held on Sun. Feb. 12, 2017 at 1:00 PM at The Genesys Conference and Banquet Center, 805 Health Park Blvd. Grand Blanc. (Please RSVP, information at bottom of obituary)

He attended Holly Area Schools. His elementary years were at Patterson Elem. At Sherman Middle School he was the catalyst in the production of GALAXY WARS. Mrs. Fiss and his fellow students sponsored a fundraising for The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis. He graduated in 2006 from Holly High School. He was recognized as the Hometown Hero that year. During his high school years Scott was a member of the International Thespian Society and was in 11 plays under the direction of Mr. Joe Mishler. He was recognized for his creativity and enthusiasm in his many stage performances. He was a 4-H member and attended the Oakland County fair. He achieved a 3rd Degree Brown belt in karate from Sanchan-Ryu.

Scott attended the University of Michigan Center for Language and Literacy in Ann Arbor from 2003-2013 and was profiled in the 2005 yearbook. While

attending UCLL Scott began Dog Obedience Trainer and Instructor classes and received a career diploma from Penn Foster Career School in 2013. Scott has worked for Paradise Dog Training. He has trained numerous dogs for people with many different types of disabilities. HENRY for Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield, PARKER at Providence Hospital in Novi and CAESAR in Brighton Area schools were his first facility therapy dogs to be placed in the community.

The Brain Injury Association of Michigan paid tribute to Scott at their annual Spring Dinner in 2013. The D-Man Foundation awarded Scott with the Spirit of Life award in 2014. The D-Man music therapy embraced Scott's love for music and performing with the production of a CD of his songs. He also produced a music video with his song RED ZONE. The D-Man Foundation made it possible for Scott to be the honorary captain of a Pistons game in February of 2015.

Spending time with his family and friends has been one of his greatest enjoyments. He did so by sharing his favorite movies and attending BIG name concerts with them. He was able to travel to Chicago, up north, Florida and had many outings which included trips to the zoo, museums and camping. Scott spent many hours outside walking his beloved service dog Marlo and his two cats Mokey and Jenner. He will be missed by his pets. Scott loved all animals. He was particularly interested in the Friesian breed of horses and he was fortunate to meet Prodigy, a Friesian show horse from Transitions Equestrian Center and became friends with Melissa Ashcraft, Prodigy's trainer.

Scott attended Calvary United Methodist Church. He was active in the church's youth group activities. At the Thanksgiving dinners he was the official greeter. The church family has supported him through his life's journey. He leaves behind his very closest cousin Jenna Huskinson and his "Bro" Corey Baron. He will be sadly missed by many loving Aunts, Uncles and Cousins. He was preceded in death by both his grandparents: Tom and Effie Killebrew and Jim and Margret Dingwall, along with other Aunts, Uncles and

Cousins. .

The family wishes to thank everyone involved in Scott's life journey. It is difficult to acknowledge individuals with the complexity and longevity of Scott's life. Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for everyone who is a chapter in Scott Dingwall's book of life which speaks volumes. Scott's spirit has inspired others with his resilience to overcome life changing obstacles in that he viewed every day as an AWESOME DAY. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to Brain Injury Association, Brighton, MI, Calvary United Methodist Church, Holly, MI, D-Man Foundation, Rochester, MI, or Paradise Dog Training, Fenton, MI. If you wish to send a condolence or share a memory of Scott with Doug and Dora, please do so at [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

Please RSVP Dora at [ddingwall@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ddingwall@sbcglobal.net) by Feb.1, 2017 if you plan on joining them for the celebration of life on Feb. 12, 2017 at Genesys Conference and Banquet Center.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **22**. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Visitation

JAN **23**. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

FEB **12**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Genesys Conference and Banquet Center  
805 Health Park Blvd.  
Grand Blanc, MI 48439



# Tribute Wall

DC

“ I was saddened to hear about the passing of Scott. I was just thinking of him the other day as I drove into Holly. I ran across a picture in a small album that he and the other students put together for me a long time ago. With all of the disabilities people saw of Scott on the outside, he had none on the inside. He was always one of the most cheerful, humble, ambitious, students I've ever known! The world lost an amazing young man!



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**Darlene Carson** - January 24, 2017 at 10:34 PM

AD

“ As Pricipal of Sherman Middle School, I remember Scott as a sweet and kind young man who was always ready to learn. His smile and engaging personality made him a favorite among both students and staff. As a school official I had great respect and admiration for Scott's greatest advocate and that was you Dora. As a result, Scott's life journey was full of adventure and joy. I'm sorry I can't be in Holly to celebrate his life with you, but please know that I am with you in spirit. You have my heartfelt condolences and prayers...

*Anne Doriean*

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**Anne Doriean** - January 24, 2017 at 10:01 PM

RB

“ *Scott surpassed all expectations when it came to leading as much as possible a normal life in circumstances no way normal. His spirit and energy inspired all who knew him. With his family and friends around him, he lived with faith and courage - a gift of God!*

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**Rev. Ben Bohnsack** - January 24, 2017 at 08:40 PM



“ *If you attended or taught at Holly High School in the early 2000s, you knew Scott Dingwall. He was amazing. In a chair, he was not disabled. He was differently abled. A smart guy. A funny guy. A gentle guy. A guy who got stuff done. If you never knew him, you missed out. And if you did know him, you know he will be missed.*

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**David Stanley** - January 24, 2017 at 07:07 AM

JC

“ *Dearest Dora and Family,*

*You have been in my thoughts for the last few days. I was so very saddened to hear of Scott's passing. He was an amazing and inspirational young man. He will never be forgotten. Sending you big hugs.*

*Jennifer Corey*

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**jennifer Corey** - January 23, 2017 at 06:58 PM

RB

“ *Dear Dora and Doug, Scott was truly an inspiration and I felt privileged to have been a nurse on the D-Team. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Sincerely, Robin B. ps in honor of you wishes, donation made in memory of Scott to the Brain Injury Association.*

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**Robin B.** - January 23, 2017 at 02:50 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



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January 23, 2017 at 11:06 AM



“ *My heart goes out to the Dingwall family at this time in their life. Scott will be missed by all, his great smile that was always there, his sense of humor that would put a smile on everyone's face and just a wonderful young man. I'm glad I could be a part of his life even just for a little while.*

*Linda Moehle*

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**linda moehle** - January 23, 2017 at 10:01 AM



“ *Scott made a difference in many lives.  
He challenged time and limitations and achieved dreams.  
He is someone that people are proud to know and inspired to be around.  
Scott loved everyone.  
He saw the good in everyone.  
He seized everyday.  
He loved to chase the wind.  
He never stop believing!  
Scott is love.*

*Scott is a hero.*

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**Kim Wheeler** - January 23, 2017 at 07:47 AM

LS

“ Doug and Dora,  
I will miss my buddy Scott very much. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of Scott's life and yours. It has been and is a privilege. It was a great time bowling in Dec 2015 and at the D-Man video shoot in Fall 2016.  
What a great organization, the D-Man Foundation, enabling creative expression of the human spirit from a limited earthly vessel.  
Scott is no longer limited now; 1 COR 15; 44.  
Scott brought so much comfort and enablement to others through his work at Paradise Dog Training.  
See you at the Genesys Center.

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**Larry S. Shemetulskis** - January 22, 2017 at 10:11 PM

AB

“ One of my most vivid memories of Scott was from when he was still quite young, maybe 5 or 6. I was new to Washington State and not able to travel much so I hadn't seen Scott in a few years. We were chatting and he asked me to come closer, like he was going to tell me a secret. Instead he reached out with his mouth stick and grabbed my earring. He didn't pull on it but I was temporarily immobilized. He began to chuckle and let me go and when I looked at him he had a big grin on his face and a wicked twinkle in his eye. It was at that moment that I realized there was something really special about Scott. He had an almost adult sense of humor and a kindness that took me by surprise in one so young. He continued to surprise me over the years, and inspire me. Scott was a remarkable person and his light will continue to shine, and I will miss him.

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**Allison Bigelow** - January 22, 2017 at 09:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



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January 22, 2017 at 08:08 PM



“ *Dear Dora and Doug,  
I am so sorry for your (and our) loss.  
Scott's memory, smile, positivity, sense of humor, and love will  
always be alive in my mind and heart.  
I am honored to have known Scott and the family for twenty years.*

*With Love,  
Ghassan (Gus), Samar, Jasmine, and Matthew Souri*

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**Ghassan (Gus) Souri** - January 22, 2017 at 02:15 PM



“ *I know that Scott meant a lot to his friends and family. I met him at Recycled Rockettes Concert. What a great fan! He will be missed and remembered fondly. Know that loving thoughts and prayers are with him and the family. Kathy Oemke, friend of his Aunt Linda Uber*

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**Kathleen Oemke** - January 22, 2017 at 10:59 AM

RM

“ Doug and Dora,

*My heart goes out to you and all of your family. Scott was truly amazing. I feel so blessed to have known him for a short time. What I will remember most is his smile and his ever present cheerful attitude.*

*Randy Meyer*

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**Randy Meyer** - January 22, 2017 at 03:40 AM

CH

“ Scott was (and IS) a special person. His body is not him as his spirit soars!!

*He has always been in a special part of my heart since I met him. He and his family met insurmountable challenges with graceful 'can do' focus.*

*This life and everything in it is temporary. The very best comes AFTER we take our last breaths. I know that to be true. We can only do our best as we touch others around us in our brief time. There is no doubt Scott did !!*

*Hope to be able to make it at one of the scheduled times. If not, I wish Doug & Dora, other family members, caregivers, friends, his pets,.....much comfort.*

*Cheryl Hartland*

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**Cheryl Hartland** - January 21, 2017 at 07:04 PM

PP

“ Dear Mrs. Dingwall: I am so so sorry for your loss. It was my honor to have worked with Scott as one of his Speech Language Pathologists when he was at Holly High School. He was the most positive student I knew and even when I visited him in the hospital after a surgery and then did therapy at your home he was always such a kind and loving, caring person. You always made me feel so welcome in your home during our therapy sessions and I couldn't wait to come back to see both you and Scott.

Take care,  
Pam L. Polan

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Pam L. Polan - January 21, 2017 at 04:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.



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January 21, 2017 at 01:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.



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January 21, 2017 at 11:50 AM

CC

“ *Such a joy to know! i looked forward to seeing Scott out in his driveway with his dog. I would stop and we would have a pleasant conversation. He will be greatly missed. His Mom...remarkable!!!*  
*Christine Cherry*

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**Christine Cherry** - January 21, 2017 at 10:58 AM

JP

“ *Dora and Doug,*

*I was immediately saddened to hear of Scott's passing. What a "kid"! You could always count on him to have something to say to brighten your day. We should all have his attitude about life. I, for one, cannot go to my dentist without remembering that skit of his. Downright HILARIOUS! He was bigger than life on earth. May his beautiful spirit fill your hearts always and bring you comfort right now. My heart goes out to you.*

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**Joanne Pierson** - January 21, 2017 at 06:37 AM

KD

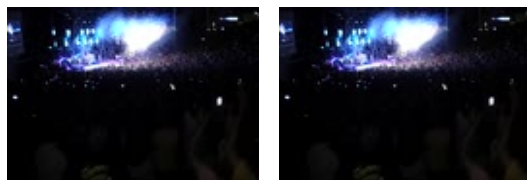
“ *My deepest sympathy for you loss, Dora & Doug. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Kate VanLoozen Doan** - January 20, 2017 at 11:09 PM

SM

“ *2 files added to the album Videos*



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**Stefan Marshall** - January 20, 2017 at 10:13 PM

 Drew York

“ *Scotty asked me to play a voice part in Galaxy Wars and I was never able to see the final product. Scotty was an awesome soul.* ”

Drew York - January 20, 2017 at 07:21 PM



“ *Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.* ”



January 20, 2017 at 06:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.* ”



January 20, 2017 at 04:32 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.* ”



January 20, 2017 at 03:47 PM

MB

“ I met Scott a few years ago when I joined the Recycled Rockettes and started dancing with his Aunt Linda. He was at every performance sitting in the front row cheering us on. And then so happy to see us afterward and talk about the show. I'm willing to bet that he's up in heaven teaching the others all the steps he learned as he watched us!  
Big hug especially to Linda who was so proud of him.  
Mary Ann Becker

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**Mary Ann Becker** - January 20, 2017 at 03:02 PM

AL

“ 1 file added to the album Videos



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**Alexandra** - January 20, 2017 at 01:33 PM



*Thank you, BIAMI!*

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**Jenna Huskinson** - January 20, 2017 at 09:21 PM



*He is now in the arms of his, and our, loving Father. He inspired all of us.  
What an awesome wonderful mom he has.*

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**Judith Prose** - January 20, 2017 at 10:45 PM



*I am so privileged to have met him. Despite what he went through, he always had a beautiful smile. We all can learn from him.*

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**Ingrid Marshall** - January 23, 2017 at 01:47 PM

PG

*I was one of Scott's care giver at the beginning of his journey. I think of him often. Scott tough me so much even as a small child. I was blessed to have known Scott 🙏🙏*

**Patty Graski** - March 04, 2025 at 11:34 AM

AL

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



**Alexandra** - January 20, 2017 at 01:32 PM

TR

“ *May beauty live on in your memories and bring you peace. With deepest sympathy. Tom Rydzon*

**tom rydzon** - January 20, 2017 at 01:27 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



January 20, 2017 at 12:10 PM

DS

“ *Doug and Dora,*

*We heard often that you had a remarkable son about our age. Though we never met Scott, we wish we had known him well—he certainly left an impression on those who did.*

*Our condolences to you and your family.*

*David and Ashley Suska*

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**David Suska** - January 20, 2017 at 10:17 AM

TF

“ *The "iCaN" SpaRkMaN Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



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**The "iCaN" SpaRkMaN Family** - January 20, 2017 at 09:48 AM

GK

“ *Scott was such a wonderful and special young man. He had a great big heart, open to everyone. His enthusiasm for life, arts, music, dogs was infectious. He was a great inspiration to all who knew him. He could crack up the entire room with his comedy routines. Whenever I hear a Journey song now, all I can think of is Scott belting one out and reveling in it. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have known someone as true and warm and positive as him. I pray for comfort for his loving family and close friends for their loss.*

*Gordon Krainen*

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**Gordon Krainen** - January 19, 2017 at 08:03 PM

KC

“ Karen M Combs lit a candle in memory of Scott Graham Dingwall



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**Karen M Combs** - January 19, 2017 at 08:00 PM

KC

“ Karen M Combs sent a virtual gift in memory of Scott Graham Dingwall



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**Karen M Combs** - January 19, 2017 at 08:00 PM

FO

“ Our deepest condolences Doug and Dora. Frank and Lynne Ouellette

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**Frank and Lynne Ouellette** - January 19, 2017 at 07:58 PM

KC

“ Scott was a very special and unique individual. I am blessed to have known him. He would look at you and get the biggest smile :) that he could get on his face and his eyes would sparkle with love. I LOVE YOU TOO SCOTTIE.

*Karen Combs*

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**Karen M Combs** - January 19, 2017 at 07:57 PM

PE

“ Every now and then someone comes in your life and impacts it so much that they are permanently branded in your heart. You will never be forgotten Scott! Heaven just gained such an amazing person. I feel blessed to have known and worked with you. Truly an inspiration to all who knew you. Despite all hurdles you remained tirelessly positive, happy and kind. I will forever remember, "It's a great day, and I'm doing awesome no matter the challenges you faced. All the fun we had watching all the reruns of family ties and laughing so hard at "PH". haha! You always had a big smile for everyone and made us all feel special. You taught us so much and we are all better to have known you. I know you are singing for the angels now! Thank you for all the beautiful memories. Penny

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**Penny** - January 19, 2017 at 07:12 PM

BC

“ Dora and Doug, you have my heart felt sympathies for the loss of Scott. Hearing people talk about him he was a very special young man. He inspired everyone around him to be the best they could be. He certainly blessed a lot of lives.

*Bev Grostic Cooley*

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**Bev Cooley** - January 19, 2017 at 07:07 PM

LU

“ Dearest Scott, I will miss you always and I will love forever and ever. Luv u, Auntie Linda and Maggie

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**Linda Uber** - January 19, 2017 at 06:30 PM

RH

“ *Dear Dora & Doug,*

*So sorry to hear of Scott's passing. Thinking of you during this difficult time. Most sincerely,*

*Ron & Patti Hartman*

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**Ron Hartman** - January 19, 2017 at 04:56 PM

MN

*Scott We Will Miss You So Much Glad We Was Able Meet You And Hang Out At Dman Events We Love You Rest In Peace*

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**Mary newton** - January 20, 2017 at 12:39 PM



Christina DeBusk

“ *I first met Scott a few years ago at his birthday party and I knew instantly that he was one of a kind. He was so smiley, thankful for everything, and just plain great to be around. His humble spirit, enthusiasm for life, and gracious attitude will live in my memory forever. Rest in peace, my friend. You've touched more lives than you'll ever know...*

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**Christina DeBusk** - January 19, 2017 at 03:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



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January 19, 2017 at 02:51 PM



Courtney Blackwell

“ *Scott was always amazing on stage. He encouraged me consistently.*

Courtney Blackwell - January 19, 2017 at 02:40 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Scott Graham Dingwall.*



January 19, 2017 at 01:48 PM



“ *It is with deepest sympathy I write this email to the family of Scott Dingwall. Scott was nothing but an inspiration to me and my family. He had more energy than most young men and was so charismatic..he always smiled and made you feel welcome and loved. I know for a fact he is in Heaven now running round playing football !!! His life had purpose and meaning to everyone who knew him and he wanted to share it and have you become a part of it. That is how special he was. I was proud to be his friend. I will miss him dearly.*  
*Andrea Roby*

Andrea Roby - January 19, 2017 at 01:38 PM



“ *With sincere sympathy for Scott's loss and sincere appreciation for his example in my life. "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die." John 11:25* Lisa Lindsay

Lisa Lindsay - January 19, 2017 at 12:46 PM