Dylan Russell Ludwig Devoted Son and Brother

On Sunday, Aug. 9, 2015, Dylan Russell Ludwig of Houtzdale departed after 21 years of an exceptional life.

On Jan. 23, 1994 Lisa Lutz Ludwig and Daniel Ludwig Jr. were granted the most incredible gift in the form of their first born child. Beloved by all, Dylan remained a special gift for every day he lived on this earth.

Dylan honored and cherished his family above all else. He greatly enjoyed spending time with his loving friends; hunting, fishing, and riding his Maverick. A talented athlete, Dylan was a force to be reckoned with on the football field and on the wrestling mat, placing in the top 12 in the PIAA State Championship in 2012.

Upon his graduation from Moshannon Valley High School, Dylan was employed by StingRay Pressure Pumping in St. Clairsville, Ohio as an equipment operator. When his illness affected his ability to work, he pursued his education. This past May he earned his Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from Lock Haven University.



friend, and teammate Jacob Ludwig; his brother and little buddy Cole Tekely; his paternal siblings Ryan and Mya Ludwig and Nick Purvis; step-father Tim Tekely and his children Devin, Lila, and Josie Tekely, and his step-mother Morgan Ludwig.

He is also survived by his grandparents Carl Lutz of Houtzdale and Dan and Kay Ludwig of Philipsburg, and was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother Anna Lutz and paternal grandmother Sharon Ludwig.

He was loved by his devoted aunts, uncles, and cousins and shared countless precious moments with his first and truest love, Sara Rae Holden.

We hope Dylan's memory will live within the hearts of all who loved him. May he be remembered by his qualities of courage, strength, and perseverance that were the foundation on which he built his life He was a common man, with an uncommon desire to succeed and go above and beyond in everything he did. While his passing is a great loss for us here on earth, it is an even greater gain to the Kingdom of Heaven. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday August 14, 2015 at 11:00 am at Christ the King Catholic Church, Houtzdale with Father Marc Solomon as celebrant.

Interment will follow in the St Lawrence Cemetery

Friends will be received Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 and Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 at the Birger A Freeberg Funeral Home Inc. Houtzdale.

A Vigil Prayer service will be led by Father Solomon Thursday at 3:00 pm at the funeral home. Donations can be made to the Dylan Ludwig Sports Scholarship, which will soon be established. Online condolences may be made to the family at birgerafreebergfuneralhome.com



Name of Loved One:	Dylan Russell Ludwig
Name:	Joe Casarella PennDot
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Condolences:	So sorry for your loss. God Bless all of you.

Name of Loved One:	Jeanine Campagna
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Condolences:	I became aware of Dylan's story through assisting with the blood drive held in his honor at Penn Dot in June. So very sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Patricia Speerstra
Phone	
Email	joytruthfaith@yahoo.com
Address	
Condolences:	Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. The entire family is in my thoughts and prayers.
	Sincerely, Pat Speerstra

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Brian Rebo
Phone	
Email	brebo@usgs.gov
Address	
Condolences:	Wow, even though he was sick, he finished up an associates degree. I am so sorry for your loss. What a remarkable young man he must have been.

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Russell Ludwig
Name:	Stan Lutz
Phone	
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Address	
Condolences:	We are very saddened by the news of Dylan's passing. It seems that he was a remarkable young man. Words cannot express the deep sympathy we have for all those who knew and loved him. We will keep Dylan and his loved ones in our prayers. Stan and Susan Lutz

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Jenny (Yarger) Kopchik
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Email	Kopchik3316@comcast.net
Address	
Condolences:	Lisa, Dan, and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I have heard through Dylan's friends he was a wonderful person and a great friend. Remember the wonderful times you had with him and smile/laugh. He will always be with you.
	Hugs, Jenny

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Russell Lidwig
Name:	Joe Smay
Phone	
Email	Jsmays@windstream.net
Address	
Condolences:	Our hearts are saddened by your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May your memories give you peace and comfort. With deepest sympathy, Joe and Julie Smay

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	David Seitz
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Condolences:	Lisa: I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember you sharing pictures at Pine Grove. He certainly grew up to be a fine young man. My thoughts are with you and your family.

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Donna Reynolds
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Address	
Condolences:	Dan, Lisa & families, My heart breaks for you. I did not have the privilege of knowing Dylan but I know he must be a good man, he has kind parents. May your memories help comfort you during this time. Know that he lives on and you will one day be reunited. May God cover you with peace and carry you through the sorrow. Our condolences and much love, Donna & Terry Reynolds

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Jennifer Ludwig Henderson
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Condolences:	I really wanted to be there, even though I never got to know Dylan, we are part of a strong blood line, the Ludwig blood line! From what i have read and seen, he was a fighter. I am so sorry not to be there with all of you, but my heart and prayers are with you all now and always. Rest in peace Dylan.

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Jean Grube
Phone	
Email	grubes@epix.net
Address	6 Orchard St Trucksville PA 18708
Condolences:	Dear Ludwigs, I am so saddened to hear of your loss. We met in Geisinger when my son was receiving treatment in the same wing as Dylan. Please know that you are in my prayers. Jean

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Sheri (Sankey)Kukla
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Address	
Condolences:	Lisa, Dan, Craig, Kim, and family .Please know how very sorry I am for your loss . I did not get the honor of knowing your son /nephew, but I followed every step of his journey through you . what a brave and courageous young man you have raised. May God grant you all peace and love and understanding . My heart is with you all . much love Sheri

Name of Loved One:	dylan ludwig
Name:	missy turnbull
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Condolences:	sorry for your loss

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig	
Name:	Tom and Karen Perry	
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Condolences:	Our sincere sympathy to your entire family	

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Carolyn Irwin
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Condolences:	Lisa, We were so deeply saddened to hear of the loss of your precious son. We cannot begin to imagine what you are going through. I feel that the heart of a mother is connected by an invisible thread to the heart of every other mother in the world, and my heart is breaking for you right now. Dylan seemed to be an amazing, courageous and well-loved young man. I am sure you were very proud of him. We are keeping you and your entire family in our thoughts and prayers. With Deepest Sympathy, Chuck and Carolyn Irwin

Name of Loved One:	Dylan Ludwig
Name:	Glenn & Darlene Walstrom
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Condolences:	So sorry to hear. We were away all week on vacation when Chelsea called with the news. What a special young man. Praying for all.