



## Adam Paul Laxton

July 25, 1995 - June 7, 2023

It is with great sorrow we announce the unexpected passing of our son, Adam Paul Laxton. Adam was born on July 25, 1995 in Orlando, Florida at Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children and passed away June 7, 2023, at age 27.

Adam was blessed with both recent and life-long friendships. In the week since we lost him, people have reached out to share so many stories of his loyalty and commitment to those he called “friend”. He was never too busy to return a call or be present for someone in need of support or just a good laugh.

He attended Blankner School K-8, WR Boone High School, Valencia College, Tallahassee Community College, and Florida State University. The outpouring of support from coaches, faculty and former classmates has been amazing.

Adam was a high energy individual who enjoyed anything outdoors and anything with lots of action. He could never sit still. If there was zip line, mountain trail, beach, water sport or ballgame, you could count on him to be in the mix. He developed a passion for running at age 14 and was a 4-year varsity letterman in high school. In his adult life, his commitment to a “good run” was equal parts exercise and stress relief.

He had a love for all things FSU Seminoles, UK Basketball, Boston Celtics, college baseball, and the New York Yankees. In recent years he earned the nickname “dog whisperer” for his ability to work with rescue animals and help find them homes. He was inseparable from his current dog, Ralph the Rescue.

Adam will be remembered for his incredible resilience. When met with disappointment he would pick himself up, dust off and move on to Plan B.

Adam is survived by his parents, Darrell and Angela Laxton of Orlando. He is also mourned by his extended family of aunts, uncles, and cousins from the DiMeo and Laxton families. In recent years, Adam reached out and was welcomed by his biological family. Sharing our loss is Diane and her grandson Isaac, his sister Nicole (Glenn) and their three beautiful daughters, and several additional family members he recently met. We look forward to meeting them all in the future.

A Celebration of Life will be scheduled for later this summer to allow everyone time to process his loss. In keeping with Adam’s lifestyle and demeanor, this will be a casual event for friends and family to share their favorite stories and memories.

If interested, donations can be made to Golden Retriever Rescue of Mid-Florida in memory of Adam Laxton. This organization provided him with both of his childhood pets and wonderful memories. <https://www.grrmf.org/donate/>

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Adam Paul Laxton.*



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July 07, 2023 at 11:27 PM



“ *The Ward Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Adam Paul Laxton.*



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**The Ward Family** - June 27, 2023 at 04:55 PM



“ *Darryl I just heard about the death of your son. I remember when you got him. May God bless you and your family, and I'm praying for you.*

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**gary porter** - June 27, 2023 at 10:49 AM

JH

“ It's incredibly difficult to put into words the heartbreaking feeling of hearing about Adam's passing. I hope you don't mind me sharing a lasting memory that I will always have of Adam.

*Adam was a sophomore at the time and was so committed to becoming the best runner he could be. Partly because his desire to be better and partly because of my selfishness of not wanting to run alone, Adam let me drag him on almost daily 10 mile runs around Lake Ivanhoe during my senior track season. I'll always remember his tenacity and desire during those runs and in the couple seasons of laughter and joy we spent together on the BHS Track and XC teams. Sending lots of love to the Laxton family now and always.*

*-JL Hines*

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**JL Hines** - June 22, 2023 at 10:43 AM

CF

“ We are absolutely heartbroken to hear of Adam's passing. Adam was one of the first friends our son made at Boone High School and we are forever grateful for that. We especially remember his friendly smile and contagious laughter. We are thinking of your family during this difficult time and wishing you peace and comfort.

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**Coscia family** - June 20, 2023 at 09:45 PM

LM

“ There are no words that will help ease the pain and heartache you are feeling over the loss of your son. Just know you are loved and not alone in this. Keep your memories close to your heart. We are here for you. Knowing you, we know Adam had to be a caring, loving young man, and the world has lost a shining light. Always in our hearts and prayers.

*Linda and Joe Micciche*

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**Linda and Joe Micciche** - June 20, 2023 at 07:27 PM

TF

“ We are just so stunned to learn about Adam’s passing. He was always such a friendly, good-humored, mischievous, and precocious young man. He lit up our house when he entered it. Our hearts go out to Darrell, Angie, and the Laxton and DiMeo families. This is a tough loss for the world...

The Capps Family - June 20, 2023 at 06:28 PM

CF

*The Capps Family*

Capps Family - June 20, 2023 at 06:30 PM

SR

“ It’s so sad for a young man to pass away so soon. He was a wonderful person and always had a smile for everyone. He will be missed. 😞

Steve Righi - June 20, 2023 at 09:42 AM

VS

“ Adam was a handsome kind young man who always had a smile, hug and a laugh to share! We all adored him! Please let us know if we can do anything at all for you! (Make a meal, run an errand, clean) we love you Angie and Darrell!!

Victoria Simmerson - June 20, 2023 at 07:49 AM

YH

“ I am so very sorry upon hearing about Adam’s passing. I went to Cecil’s recently and looked for Adam to say hello. He was a great addition to the restaurant and he always greeted me with a smile. My thoughts and prayers are with you and praying for strength now and in the future. Too young....

Yolonda Huhn - June 19, 2023 at 04:11 PM

MG

“ *I am so terribly sorry for your loss. Keeping you both in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Mark Garner** - June 19, 2023 at 02:05 PM

JF

*What a wonderful photo of Adam and Ralph! I pray you have many fond memories that surface through this horrifically sad time to bring you comfort and peace beyond measure. No matter the time of day or night we are here to lean on if need be. Our sympathy is with you.*

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**Janis Joslin Foskett** - June 19, 2023 at 03:22 PM