



## Jefferson Dell Herndon

August 4, 1983 - July 28, 2018

It is with great sadness that the family of Jefferson “Jeff” Dell Herndon announce his passing on July 28, 2018 at the age of 34. Jeff was born August 4, 1983 in Orlando, Florida to Carol and Charles “Chuck” Herndon. He attended Colonial High School and graduated from Timber Creek High School.

Jeff will be remembered as a loyal, caring, and sensitive man. The most important thing to Jeff was family. He never missed a birthday or holiday and attended many of his nephews’ and niece’s sports and school events. Dressing up for trick-or-treating with his nephews and niece is a memory they will cherish forever.

Jeff never knew a stranger; making friends with anyone he met. He was unbelievably kind, loving and always put others’ needs before his own. He was known to distribute food to the homeless on walks around Lake Eola and never hesitated to help friends in need.

He enjoyed attending basketball camps with his cousins when he was young, playing on his high school basketball team, and watching basketball whether in person or on television. He loved to spend time outdoors including swimming, canoeing, going to the beach and working out. If he wasn’t with friends or family, he could be found at the gym. He was passionate for all

animals but especially dogs. He was also very inquisitive and enjoyed watching documentaries.

Jeff will be forever remembered and loved by his mother, Carol Lauten Herndon, and his sisters Michelle Forsyth and Leslie Schnell, his brother-in-law Matteo Forsyth, nephew Colin Forsyth, niece Daniela Forsyth, brother-in-law John Schnell, nephew Jackson Schnell and his beloved aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Dell Herndon.

The family asks you to share your memories of Jeff on this page. We appreciate your prayers during this difficult time.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG 3. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations  
910 W. Michigan Street  
Orlando, FL 32805  
(407) 841-4424  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

BB

“ I just learned of Jeff's passing. He was one of my few friends. We worked catv together for several years. I'm so sorry for our loss.



Bobby Boscoe - February 18, 2021 at 11:24 AM

NA

“ Life goes by so fast but never will I forget you or the happiness you brought in my life. Your anniversary of your passing is coming and wanted to send the kindest condolences to your family and friends. You went to soon my<3. 🥺

nadia - July 25, 2020 at 03:56 AM

AN

“ I miss you ... still see you in my dreams and still hear your voice. I miss you so much. It hurts so bad not being able to talk and hold you. Love you forever

anonymous - December 28, 2019 at 03:51 AM

IR

“ My dear friend, and yes you certainly were a friend. I was late to hear about your unfortunate passing. I was and still am in shock and disbelief. I still expect to see you come up when my phone rings. Our long work day phone conversations will be missed. My condolences to your family and rest easy my friend. The world is not a better place without souls like you. God bless bro.

Irving - September 29, 2019 at 06:47 AM

MF

“ *Michelle Forsyth lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon*



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**Michelle Forsyth** - May 03, 2019 at 09:01 PM

NA

“ *Babe, my tears still flow for you . I miss you so much :-( I love you.*

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**nadia** - March 03, 2019 at 04:20 AM

NA

“ *Nadia lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon*



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**Nadia** - December 23, 2018 at 10:58 PM

NA

“ *I love you. Not a day goes by where I don't think of you. Your mom and sisters are in my thoughts too. <3*

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**Nadia** - October 28, 2018 at 02:39 AM



“ I know I’m a little late. But I miss you Jeff. A lot. You taught me a lot about life with in the year and a half of knowing each other. I watched a documentary last night and I had to pause it because it reminded me of the times we would binge watch weird documentaries and talk about them for days. I miss our gym time together and how we used to people watch while we walked on the treadmill. I miss how kind and positive you were. I miss the embracive hugs and how proud you were when I completed my work out. I miss you a lot friend. We would talk for hours on the phone laughing and sharing to each other about our day, I miss our casual conversations. I miss you a lot.

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**Dana Mannara** - September 19, 2018 at 04:11 PM

NA

“ I miss you Jeff... I miss you so much. I love you forever. -Kitty

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**Nadia** - September 11, 2018 at 01:53 AM

NA

You were such a wonderful person, a true friend, I miss your voice, your laugh, I can't believe how I will never be able to converse in this life time with you again. It is heartbreaking, never will you be forgotten. ahhhh!!! i miss you <3 you and your family

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**Nadia** - September 17, 2018 at 01:22 AM

ND

“ Nancy Davies lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon



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**Nancy Davies** - August 03, 2018 at 12:09 PM

ND

“ Dear Carol and family we are so very sorry for your great loss of your dear son Jeff our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this extremely difficult time all our love Nancy Davies and Greg Forrest

Nancy Davies - August 03, 2018 at 12:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.



August 03, 2018 at 12:01 PM

LH

“ No mother should ever have to go thru this. My heart aches for you Carol. Jeff was a beautiful soul and I pray God brings him and all of his family peace.



Lisa Hennings - August 02, 2018 at 08:57 PM



“ We were high school sweethearts that turned into friends for life. I'd never felt so loved. Jeff, I hope you know how I love you too. There's no comparison. I wish so many things, but I guess I wish you peace the most. May God give you and your family peace.

Jennifer Hennings - August 02, 2018 at 06:49 PM

JH

“ *There is no greater pain than the loss of a child. And yet, through that pain we can find love and beauty. Recall his youth and see his beauty. Recall his embrace and see his love. Till we meet again Jeff*

*John and Linda Held*

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**John Held** - August 02, 2018 at 03:46 PM



“ *Beatriz Martinez lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon*



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**Beatriz Martinez** - August 02, 2018 at 12:12 PM



“ *I went to sleep last night thinking of you when we were kids and the third grade! And all I can remember is you smiling and laughing and your beautiful blue eyes . I remember your mom because I remember how much you used to tell me you loved your mommy so much and your sisters! I can only imagine the pain and grief that your family is going through right now and may God give them the strength! May you rest in paradise my beautiful blue-eyed boy!*

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**Vanelis Dominguez** - August 02, 2018 at 11:36 AM

JS

“ *Uncle Jeff,  
What I'll miss most is joking around and tickling each other. I love  
you forever.*



**Jackson Schnell** - August 01, 2018 at 10:51 PM

LH

“ *LOVE JIM AND KATHY BLAU & PAT AND BOB  
HOOVER purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the  
family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



**LOVE JIM AND KATHY BLAU & PAT AND BOB HOOVER** -  
August 01, 2018 at 10:01 PM

YF

“ *Your Classic Designs Family purchased the Lily a  
nd Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Jefferson  
Dell Herndon.*



**Your Classic Designs Family** - August 01, 2018 at 04:40 PM

DM

“ *Dee Miller lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon*



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**Dee Miller** - August 01, 2018 at 02:55 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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August 01, 2018 at 01:21 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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August 01, 2018 at 09:05 AM

EF

“ After not seeing you for over 13 years, we so happened to run into each other in a place filled with over 100 people. We spent only a few months talking back and forth non stop but it felt like a life time.. you had such a big heart, your mind always full of wonder. Jeff loved his family especially his nieces and nephews he talked so much about the love he had for them. The hug he gave me on Friday was unforgettable. Jeff you will forever remain in my heart. Your smile will always remain in my mind, your words of kindness and your encouragement will never leave me and you will forever be in my prayers. Here is a photo where he was asking me how he looked with his new haircut 🥺 .. I miss you Jeff. RiP dear friend 💔



Erica Galarza Fraticelli - August 01, 2018 at 12:42 AM

NA

“ My heart is in severe mourning for you. You were my best friend that I loved SO much. I will never forget your voice and I can't help but cry as I write this. Your family are all in my prayers and I look forward to meeting again <|3

Nadia - August 01, 2018 at 12:16 AM

TC

“ We are so very sorry for the loss of Jeff and hope your good memories will bring you comfort in time.  
--The Collins Family (Kathy's neighbors)

Treva Collins - July 31, 2018 at 09:29 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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July 31, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ *Even though I make my living using words, I hardly know what to say. Jeff was the most beautiful, giving person I ever knew. He also was the most physically fit person I ever knew. More importantly his beauty was surpassed by his kindness and generosity. His smile lit up a room; his spirit brighten everyone who ever knew him. I can't imagine a world without Jeff in it and I pray to God for the words to try to help heal my sister and nieces' pain. Rest In Peace Jeff and know you are loved and missed. I love you. Uncle Fred.*

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**Fred Lauten** - July 31, 2018 at 08:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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July 31, 2018 at 08:39 PM

BY

“ Carol, Michelle, Leslie, The lost is unmeasurable but so is the LOVE that is left behind. Jeff had a heart of gold. A smile you can never forget. When I would hear Jeff’s name I always remembered the Homeless Man that had a dog. He wanted to make sure the dog had food. Carol, Michelle, and Leslie your in my prayers that God will give you the strength to get through. Love you.

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**Brenda Yates** - July 31, 2018 at 06:06 PM

 Pros  
Bennett

“ Carol, Michelle, and Leslie - My deepest condolences on Jeff's passing. I've only met Jeff a couple of times but my impression is that he was a sweet kind man. I know how close this whole clan is and know that you will have tremendous supply of love around to hold you up. My prayers and love are being sent your way. RIP Jeff. God bless you all.  
-Pros

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**Pros Bennett** - July 31, 2018 at 05:03 PM

SF

“ Jeff,  
I am crying all the time and I keep writing a letter in my mind to you . My heart is in such pain I loved you very much, I remember the first time I saw you when Michelle brought you to our house when you were a young boy, so handsome, so quiet and so polite.  
I will miss you forever  
Siska

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**Siska Forsyth** - July 31, 2018 at 03:43 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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July 31, 2018 at 03:18 PM



“ *I am truly sorry for your loss. It is a great loss to all the lives he touched. Especially mine. Jeff and I could talk for hours, he always made me laugh and was there for me no matter what. I have known him since he was in high school with my son at TimberCreek. I will forever miss him, his gentle ways, infectious smile, laugh and his kind heart. Melanie Young*

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**Melanie Young** - July 31, 2018 at 01:14 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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July 31, 2018 at 12:41 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.*



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July 31, 2018 at 11:46 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.



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July 31, 2018 at 11:30 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.



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July 31, 2018 at 11:15 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.



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July 31, 2018 at 11:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jefferson Dell Herndon.



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July 31, 2018 at 10:43 AM



“ I’m here on the beach thinking about you Jeff. I have lots of memories when you were little. You’re dad was so proud of you. I remember how he would often dress you in Miami dolphin outfits. As you got older I remember watching you play basketball with Matthew, Michael, and Chris. I was always jealous of the closeness all of you had. With time, you grew to be such a tall and strong young man. Every time I saw you, your arms were bigger! I can still hear you laughing as you told me stories of your jobs. You were such a hard worker. Your laugh was so genuine and contagious! You were also very loyal and protective of family. If I ever needed something, I know all I had to do was call you and you would be there to help no matter what.

*It’s so hard for me to believe you are gone! I have nothing but wonderful memories of you. I will think of you everyday and remember just how wonderful a person you were. Anyone who was lucky enough to get to know you understands how this world was a better place with you in it. Now that your free of the bonds of flesh, you are truly a free spirit.*

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**John Rushe** - July 31, 2018 at 10:15 AM



“ Jeff,

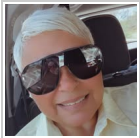
*It's hard for me to even formulate what to write here. I remember watching you, my brother, Matt and Michael play basketball for hours at either my house or the Kruppenbachers and that's where I feel you were your happiest. I looked up to you boys so much, and continued to do so as we grew older. Your knowledge of health and fitness was something that I was always in awe of. I loved coming with my dad to 24 hour fitness and watching you work out for hours, and help*

*People when they had questions. You no doubt had such a loving heart and were willing to help people whenever they needed. I hope you knew how much you meant to each of us in the family. We will truly miss you Jeff. Love you so much.*



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**Tori Bennett** - July 31, 2018 at 12:14 AM



“ Jeff, you were always the first one to ask me how Yami and Johnerick were doing every time we had a family gathering. We will talk for a while and your sweet heart never failed to come across. You always wanted to help others and as soon as you learned Johnerick was attending the Police Academy, you shared with me your interest to help him build his body for it. I will cherish your caring and sweet heart forever and forever will hold it in my heart. Until we meet again ❤️

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**Iris Meletiche-Rushe** - July 30, 2018 at 10:35 PM

LR

“ My dear cousin Jeff, you were such a sweet and caring person. You always gave the best hugs. This is one of my favorite pictures of us, and I will always cherish this memory of dancing and laughing with you. I hope you know how much you were, and will always be, loved by our family. We will miss you so much.

*Aunt Carol, Michelle, and Leslie, my heart is breaking for you. I hope you always remember how loved Jeff was, and how much our entire family loves you all. If there is anything you need, please let us know.*

*Lauren & Matt Neff*



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**Lauren Reynolds** - July 30, 2018 at 10:31 PM

MR

“ Jeff-It always amazed me how you were the tallest, strongest man but you had the sweetest, most gentle spirit. When I think of you, I see your beautiful smile and feel your kind spirit. You were so beautiful inside and out. The world has lost an angel and we are left with a hole in our hearts. When you look down from heaven, I hope you know how much you were truly loved. I will love and miss you forever!

Love,  
Aunt Mary



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Mary Reynolds - July 30, 2018 at 10:20 PM

PK

“ Patsy Kruppenbacher lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon



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patsy kruppenbacher - July 30, 2018 at 10:13 PM

PK

“ *My sweet Jeff!!*

*No words I write could ever say how very much I love you. You have always been special to me...sharing in your joy for animals, kids and helping others. I will forever hold onto the memories of your beautiful smile ! I remember the days when you, Matt, Michael and Chris would go to all the basketball camps and the stories you all would tell us when you returned! Your very sweet texts to me ... checking up on me ... again always so thoughtful!! You meant so much to so many people. I remember you holding Ryan and Jacob and how tiny they looked next to you. I remember our talks about fitness, nutrition and working out ... you had so much knowledge to share! Your sweet caring and thoughtful personality will never ever be forgotten. You are forever in my heart❤️❤️*

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**patsy kruppenbacher** - July 30, 2018 at 10:10 PM

BO

“ *I believe that you are in a better place away from the suffering you must have felt. I hope you are at peace and know that you and your family are both in my heart and my prayers.*



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**Bonnie** - July 30, 2018 at 09:57 PM


CC

“ Jeff-

*Your smile would light up the room. I have many fond memories from our childhood. Spending summers in Annapolis, making pizza with your mom, watching you, Chris and Matt play basketball. Being the oldest cousin, I was fortunate enough to babysit all of you. The time I remember the most is when you were 4 years old. Your mom had to stay in the hospital with Leslie and you, Michelle, John and I stayed home. We all snuggled together in one room, laughed, played games and ate whatever we wanted. John and I had to fly home before your mom and Leslie came home. You were not a happy camper that I was leaving. We had a special bond from that day forward. You were a beautiful person inside and out. Life will never be the same without you. I am comforted knowing that you are with your dad, my dad, grandma and grandpa. I love you Jefferson Dell!❤️*

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**Carol Cooley** - July 30, 2018 at 09:36 PM

 Kristin Biggerstaff

“ Jeff, Matt and I are sadden to hear about your passing we haven't spoke in years but we will always cherish the memories that we shared with you, expecially Matt. We send our condolences to your family and will continue to remember the memories we shared together, R.I.P. my friend, we will love you forever!

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**Kristin Biggerstaff** - July 30, 2018 at 08:51 PM

AC

“ Carol, Michele and Leslie. I'm so sorry to hear about Jeff's passing. May he rip. If there's anything I can do please don't hesitate to call me. My condolences and prayers to all of you. Love you all, Amy Costello

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**Amy costello** - July 30, 2018 at 08:51 PM

AR

“ Anita Roman lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon



Anita Roman - July 30, 2018 at 07:04 PM

MW

“ It was tough to hear of your passing Jeff. So many memories, experiences, and emotions shared. Too many to count. Rest easy friend.  
Family and friends of Jefferson, our deepest condolences from the Whitaker Family.

Michael Whitaker - July 30, 2018 at 06:34 PM

KG

“ Jeff you were always like a brother to me. Through good times and bad you were always there for me. If I needed someone to talk to you always picked up the phone. This world is truly a darker place without your smile and laugh to fill it. Your love you had for Your family and friends was something to be idolized. Your loyalty had no bounds and that is something I will carry with me always.

Kyle Givens - July 30, 2018 at 06:09 PM



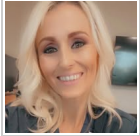
“ Wow have always remembered your beautiful eyes since kindergarten your beautiful smile that would just light a room. Last time I saw you we talked about you getting clean and bettering yourself. So sorry I could not do more for You! RIP Sweet heart!

Vanelis Dominguez - July 30, 2018 at 05:28 PM

AR

“ Gator. I remember when you were about 4 years old and Bob convinced you an alligator lived in our water bed. From that day on we called you “Gator”. I will always love and miss you! Rest peacefully!

ann rushr - July 30, 2018 at 04:04 PM



“ Jefferson you were an amazing man to me and my children. We love you very much. I will always remember our memories that we made and the kids will never forget how much fun we had at the resort for the girls birthday. You will be forever missed and loved. I will be keeping your family in my prayers.

Kymerberly Forsberg - July 30, 2018 at 03:19 PM



“ Stacie Dimmick lit a candle in memory of Jefferson Dell Herndon



Stacie Dimmick - July 30, 2018 at 12:16 PM

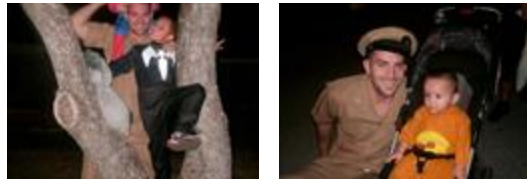


Jeff you were such a special part of our family and to the kids who loved you and who you were so good with. It's a shame you had to go so soon but God called you because he needed you. Still wished we all got to reunite again it wasn't long ago we talked about it and now I am kicking myself in the ass for it not happening sooner. We love you bro. Gone but we will never forget you. Rest in paradise until we meet again!!!

Stacie Dimmick - July 30, 2018 at 12:32 PM

Stacie  
Dimmick

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Stacie Dimmick - July 30, 2018 at 12:12 PM

KL

“ My sweet nephew Jeff. I can still remember the first time I held you when you were a baby. That is until you realized I was not your mom! You will always hold a special place in my heart. I will never forget you and I will always love you!

Kathy Lauten - July 30, 2018 at 10:25 AM



“ Jeff it's been many years since I have seen you but I had the pleasure of growing up around you and blessed to have your sister as one of my best friends. I often have thought about you and know you are in such a better place. This world is beautiful because it connects our souls and provides us experiences to meet and live out in each other's lives and stories. The world is a little less beautiful without you here but you are all around those you love. Rest well Jeff til we meet again.



Jenna Zucali - July 30, 2018 at 07:23 AM

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**Nicole** - July 29, 2018 at 11:37 PM

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Nicole - July 29, 2018 at 11:33 PM

MA

“ When I was dating your sister and I would come over and you would put anything and everything sweet you could find into a glass to drink for dessert. It looked so damn gross. You also would eat all the cookie dough out of the cookie dough ice cream leaving only ice cream. But my favorite would be how excited and happy when uncle Jeff would come over and would fight for your attention.

Matteo - July 29, 2018 at 08:15 PM

MA

*\*The kids would fight for your attention*

Matteo - July 29, 2018 at 08:53 PM



*My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be greatly missed.*

Beatriz Martinez - August 02, 2018 at 12:19 PM

BM

*Sad to learn of this loss....prayers for your family.*

Beth McNulty - August 04, 2018 at 12:29 AM