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Our loving husband, son, brother, and uncle, Zachary Ryan McCurdy, 33, passed away on August, 4, 2016, of causes related to Ankylosing Spondylitis.

Born on October 19, 1982, in Salt Lake City, Utah, Zach was adored by his parents, Judy Winegar and David McCurdy, whom he loved and honored, throughout his life. He grew up in Salt Lake City and Las Vegas, Nevada, the fifth of sixth siblings, all of whom contributed to and benefited from his goodness. A care-giver by nature, Zach was “the true glue that held his family together.” Ever vigilant in maintaining family connections, Zach was frequently checking in, reaching out, and making sure everyone was aware of and there for each other.

His thoughtful kindness and abundant generosity extended to many beyond his immediate family which is why Zach’s “heart of gold” is his legacy. Even when struggling through some of life’s most difficult challenges, Zach never lost his sweet compassion, which helped him to triumph in the long run. A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Zach was most recently serving as ward librarian.

Among his life quests, Zach found happiness hiking in the canyons, cooking in the kitchen (Zach Potatoes, for example, have been a family favorite for decades), planting in the garden, and watching in the ninth, if the Yankees were winning. He counted a family trip to Yankee Stadium, and his big adventure in Jamaica with the family of his childhood friend, Marcus, among his best times.

From an early age, Zach loved sports. A gifted athlete, his passion for baseball drove him to excel on his high school’s team. Zach grew up to be an avid Ute fan, despite his father’s dismay and unwavering devotion to Brigham Young University. Always a “big kid at heart,” Zach maintained a child-like joy when it came to celebrating the holidays and nature’s

beauty, scenes from which would often appear via Zach's phone.

The best moment in Zach's life was the one in which he met Ashley Sorensen. On April 2, 2015, Zach and Ashley were married and he clearly cherished every day of their life together. From their second meeting, Zach and Ashley never spent another day apart.

Besides Ashley and his parents, Zach is survived by his siblings; Heather (Gavin) Erickson; Megan (Bobby) Cox; Matthew; and Landon (Christa); his nieces and nephews, Madison, Jane, Max, Ada, Bentley, Mason, Bailey, Lillie, Jozie, Jonas, and Ian; his father-and mother-in-law, Don and Jackie Sorensen; his brother-in-law, Don, Jr. (Karie) Sorensen; his sister-in-law, Anna (Hyrum) Donis; and his grandmother, Lela McCurdy. Zach will also be greatly missed by his aunts, uncles, and cousins. Preceded in death by his sister Kimberly, and his friend, Frank Spenia.

A celebration of his Zach's life will be held at the LDS Ward Chapel, located at 9880 South 3100 East, Sandy, Utah, on Tuesday, August 9, with a viewing from 10:00 to 11:30, and the funeral memorial at 12:00 noon. Interment at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road (10600 South), Sandy, Utah.

Zach's family expresses heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming love and support from family and friends.

Events

AUG **Funeral Services** 12:00PM

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Granite View Stake Center
9880 South 3100 East, Sandy, UT, US

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Judy Winegar - August 08, 2016 at 10:54 PM



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Judy Winegar - August 08, 2016 at 07:19 PM



“ Words can't express how much I love this family and the heartache that I feel with and for you! When I think of Zach, I think of his laugh and the ability to make others laugh. I think of him running around making sure everyone is o.k. And that everyone has what they need. I think of him cooking and bustling around in the kitchen and singing. I think of the day he met Ashley and his sense of "knowing " that this was the one he would spend his life with. I think of his fierce loyalty to his Mother and Father and family. But most of all, I think of his unique and deep ability to love. Perhaps that is what makes his loss so hard to bare. Judy, and all of you, I love you and feel your pain more than I can possibly describe! This family is a shining example of living the weightier matters of the law. I know, because I have been the recipient of it many times. Again, I love you all, my heart aches for you all and I am here for you all in this time of need! Thank you for the precious gift of sharing your family with me! Suzanne

Suzanne - August 08, 2016 at 02:57 PM



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Matthew McCurdy - August 08, 2016 at 01:49 PM



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Matthew McCurdy - August 08, 2016 at 01:47 PM



“ The last time I saw Zach, he Ashley and I went to see the conjuring 2. He was scared to see the movie but wanted to spend time while I was in town. Such a cutie. The movie started and he had to leave to go to the bathroom. Then he had to go out and get something from the car. I was like "ash he's missing the movie."
She was all "that's the point. Haha"
He came back and watched for like 5 minutes during which he sat straight up and talked out loud to the screen! Haha it was so cute! "Cmon! What are you doin to me? No! That's too freaky!
Oh my gosh. Oh my gosh."
Then he went and bought me a giant chocolate ice cream cone and he promptly fell asleep.
Mouth wide open & snoring & Ashley giggled while we watched our movie.
Zack was pure joy to be around for me. Like a big kid. So real but also so positive in his view on people and the world. I loved his wide eyed energy and the way he cared for my Ashley. I knew I never had to worry for her again.
I loved Zack from the day I met him. Will miss him for years and years and years.
Rock on my buddy. You are so very loved. Till we meet again. Can't wait for my big hug.



brooke madsen - August 08, 2016 at 08:08 AM



“ Zack in a round about way you were always special to me. I remember watching you As a baby. Hated when your family moved toNV. Always loved you all. To me you were next to perfection because to me your mom was next to perfection along with your aunts and uncles and grandparents. I love all of you and felt like I lost one of my own. I can say that honestly because I have Julie with Kimberly and Greg with Zack. We do have angels on our right side and our left to lift us when we need to call on them.

jennette - August 09, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ Marcus Hampton is following this tribute.

Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 07:41 AM



“ I was getting the white F-150 changed over to Nevada plates and we were waiting at the DMV for hours like normal . Zach finally had enough , he stood up and looked carefully around the entire place and saw a lady at her window , she had a window closed sign. Zach didn't say anything to us , he just quietly walked over and talked to her for just a second then walked back over with a grin on his face and said , " she will see you now ". He never told me what he said to her , kept it a secret . But I got my plates changed over right then and there. Thanks again Zach

Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 07:39 AM



“ Marcus Hampton sent a virtual gift in memory of Zachary Ryan McCurdy



Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 07:13 AM



“ Marcus Hampton lit a candle in memory of Zachary Ryan McCurdy



Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 07:12 AM



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Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 07:11 AM



“ Where does one find the words that adequately express the feelings and thoughts that lie deep in our hearts in moments like these? As I think about Zach, I think of his infectious laugh and his ability to make others laugh. I think of his fierce loyalty and love for his Mother and family. I think of him running around making sure those around him have what they need and are ok. I think of him singing and bustling around in the kitchen and cooking. I think of the day he met Ashley and his feelings of just "knowing" that she was the one he would spend his life with. I think of his love for the mountains. I think of so many things but what I think of the most is the deep and unconditional way he loved!!! The way he loved his Mother and Father, Ashley, his siblings, his nieces and nephews, and those closest to him, there just isn't a way one can describe Zach's ability to love. Perhaps that is why the loss is being felt so deeply. This family is a shining example of living the weightier matters of the law. I know, I've been the recipient of it many times. Judy, and all of you, please know how much I love you, how much I feel the pain of your loss, and how much I am here for you in this time of need. With love that's hard to express, Suzanne

Suzanne - August 08, 2016 at 07:03 AM



“ I will never forget Jamaica , YA MON , we kept saying it wrong , but we had a blast anyway .

Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 05:50 AM



“ Where do I start . I became friends with Zach in the 8th grade . We didn't like each other at first , cracking jokes at each other . Then we found out that we lived just a street away. We started hanging out and ended up as best friends , more like brothers . We did everything together , from the age of 14 to 21. I have more stories and adventures to tell than Face Book can hold . One of my earlier memories I will share is when one of the his family members was getting married . I was invited and was excited to go on my first trip to Salt Lake City. Zach needed a hair cut and my cousin said she could do it . She has cut hair before and was good at it . But the problem with my cousin was that she would just space out some times , like nobody home , some where in deep thought outer space . She had his hair perfect for the wedding , just how he wanted it , like a really short chili bowl cut . She was putting the finishing touch ups on his side burns when she had a " cloud 9 attack " and buzzed poor Zach's side burn half way up his head , I MEAN WAY UP THERE !!!! You should have seen the look on his face . He knew what had happened and she kept telling him it looks ok . We were stunned at what just happened . He looked at me with his eyes as wide open as I have ever seen them and we had that same look on our faces . There was a long silent pause of surprise and terror , like..... " O NO SHE DIDN'T " !!!! , I could not help but to bust out laughing and say " O YEAH SHE DID " !!!! as if I could read his thoughts , it was priceless . Then Zach had to wear a beret to hide it for the wedding , and every time we looked at each other we would start laughing . I'm sure there are some pictures out there of this . This was the incident that made Zach start shaving his head . Your welcome Rudy . One of many first experiences with each others company . Sorry I didn't get a chance to say , see you later, but I know I will see you again . Had tons of great fun with you . Love you man

Marcus Hampton - August 08, 2016 at 05:38 AM



“ I work with Ashley and had the privilege of meeting Zach. Such a wonderful and caring person. He had a big smile and an even bigger heart. I instantly like him.

Susan Starkey - August 07, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ Zachy, you taught me what genuine love looks and feels like. You forever changed me. I love you always and forever! My life will never be the same without you but I know you're with me♡♡♡♡



Ashley McCurdy - August 07, 2016 at 07:57 PM



“ May the love and support of friends, family and God give you strength through this most difficult time. Love and hugs to all xox



Dawn Gaspar - August 07, 2016 at 07:39 PM



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Dawn - August 07, 2016 at 07:26 PM



“ I am heartsick. Love you buddy. Xoxo

Heather Erickson - August 07, 2016 at 07:08 PM



“ Xoxo

karyn luke - August 08, 2016 at 08:00 PM