



Matthew Edward Lavender

July 31, 1971 - January 29, 2018

Matthew Edward Lavender, 46, of Ellettsville, passed away on Monday, January 29, 2018 at his residence. He was born on July 31, 1971 in Bloomington, the son of Edward Lavender and Debra (Wampler) Prince.

Matt attended Bloomington High School South. He was a veteran of the United States Army, having served in Desert Storm. Matt worked as a custodian with Indiana University for over 10 years. He enjoyed hunting, and being outdoors. Matt was a phenomenal cook, often known for smoking various foods and his famous chili. He was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Matt is survived by his wife, Darcy Lavender; son, Scott Nelson; step-children, Sean Nelson and Sophia Nelson; grandson, Wylie "Yote"; father, Edward Lavender; mother, Debra Prince; siblings, Christopher Lavender, Jai Lavender, Nathaniel Lavender, and Dustin Lavender; along with a large extended family of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his step-brother, Levi Prince.

A funeral service will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, February 2, 2018, at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington. Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until the time of service on Friday. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Matt's family

at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Bloomington, IN 47401
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Service

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Tribute Wall

KW

“ *Kelli Watson lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender*



Kelli Watson - February 05, 2018 at 12:41 PM

M(

“ *Dear Debbie,
So sorry to hear of your sons' passing.
Please know you are thought of often eventho its' been many years
since we worked together.
May God give you peace and comfort in these trying times.
With love and condolences.
Marva (Rose) Graves*

Marva (Rose)Graves - February 03, 2018 at 08:10 PM

 Kelena
Quarels

“ *I used to live in the residence hall where he worked at, on IU
Bloomington's campus. My floor was the closest to him and he told
us out of the years he worked there our floor/class was the best he
had. Matt will be missed, may he rest in piece.*

Kelena Quarels - February 02, 2018 at 05:08 PM

WK


“ *He always had my back at the rink, you will be missed Matt*

william knudsen - February 02, 2018 at 10:22 AM

KS

“ Darcy, I am so so sorry for your loss..... Thinking of you—
Kim Schill, Templeton

kim schill - February 02, 2018 at 07:01 AM

 Janie
Curtis
Flint

“ Matt will be sadly missed he was a good friend was always cheering me up in the mornings during breaks let's face it we were at work. That is hard to do we had a good time habits are hard to break still think about you bud every morning when we pass where your truck should be parked its really hard just need everyone to know Matt we will never forget you. Your friend Jamie

Janie Curtis Flint - February 01, 2018 at 09:04 PM

RJ

“ My daughter called me today to inform me that Matt had died. I did not know Matt personally, but had an opportunity to meet him this past summer when my husband and I moved our daughter into IU. I needed help with handing a few things and had questions about the dorm-room. Matt was very helpful and kind which meant the world as you can imagine leaving our baby girl along for the first time. If we wasn't comfortable before our minds were a little more on ease because of his kindness. I share this to say something as small as being kind and answering questions has impact! Mr. Matt you will be missed and my family thank you for your generosity, kindness to our daughter Lauryn and for unlocking her dorm door ehen she got locked out several times. Our deepest condolences to the family and prayers for peace knowing he had Impact❤️

Regenia Jones - February 01, 2018 at 05:45 PM

NW

“ I've known Matt since we were 13 years old hanging out til the sun would start to come up just talking about everything we had planned for when we grew up this breaks my heart. He was such a wonderful guy. I am so sorry for his wife my prayers are with you and all the family and loved ones.. I'm gonna miss his bright smile.

Natalie Webb - January 31, 2018 at 11:46 PM

NW

“ Natalie Webb lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender



Natalie Webb - January 31, 2018 at 11:34 PM



“ Matt always said hi to me and asked me how my day was going! He always made me smile and sometimes made my day when I wasn't having the best one.



Regan Poarch - January 31, 2018 at 10:14 PM

AW

“ Abbie Waters lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender



abbie waters - January 31, 2018 at 08:58 PM

JG

“ *My sincere condolences to family and other friends. I got to know Matt a little while I was at Mcnutt. I know he was always well thought of by the students and went out of his way for them . He and I always cut up when we would see each other. I always appreciated his service to our country .Rest easy Buddy*



Joe Godsey - January 31, 2018 at 08:44 PM

JC

“ *Ed, we are so very sorry for the loss of your son. My husband knew him from high school. Prayers for today and the hard days ahead. Thinking of you. Julie Chandler (bus 107) and family.*

Julie chandler - January 31, 2018 at 08:01 PM

Allison
Zeithamm

“ *Allison Zeithammer lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender*



Allison Zeithammer - January 31, 2018 at 04:50 PM

KM

“ *Kelly Marie Mullis lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender*



Kelly Marie Mullis - January 31, 2018 at 02:11 PM



“ *Lavender & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Matthew Edward Lavender.*



January 31, 2018 at 12:13 PM



“ *Cheryl (Bond) Bennett lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender*



Cheryl (Bond) Bennett - January 31, 2018 at 11:56 AM



“ *Matt was a great man and he was a positive influence around the students located at McNutt. I appreciated his kindness and care for everything that he did. Peace and blessings for his family during this difficult time. Lisa Young, Hoosier Link Coordinator at IU*

Lisa Young - January 31, 2018 at 11:43 AM



“ *Tana Nikirk lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender*



Tana Nikirk - January 31, 2018 at 06:52 AM

TN

Ed, so sorry for your loss.

Tana Nikirk - January 31, 2018 at 06:53 AM

RP

“ *I am incredibly saddened to learn of Matt's passing. I truly enjoyed each and every interaction I ever had with him. He always put a smile on my face! Darcy and each of Matt's loved ones.....please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. RIP Friend.*

Robert Pettyjohn

Robert Pettyjohn - January 31, 2018 at 02:05 AM

DL

“ *Matt was one of the kindest and outgoing person I've ever met. Blessed I was able to meet and talk to him almost everyday before heading to class. Will be missed Matt.*



Darian Love - January 30, 2018 at 10:50 PM

CB

“ *So sorry for your loss, our family's were neighbors many years ago in Solsberry. Prayers for you and your family. From The Bond family.*



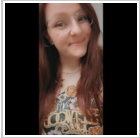
Cheryl (Bond) Bennett - January 30, 2018 at 10:26 PM

TB

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



tracy pemberton babbs - January 30, 2018 at 10:02 PM



“ Karolyn Parker lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender



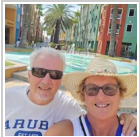
Karolyn Parker - January 30, 2018 at 09:16 PM

SC

“ Susan Chambers lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender



Susan Chambers - January 30, 2018 at 09:11 PM



“ Matt,

I remember you being the most strong willed kid I ever met. You always had a smile and hug for those around you. I pray that God will be with your family rest in peace my cousin.

Tonya Terrell-Stogdill - January 30, 2018 at 06:57 PM

LT

“ I have had a lot of good times with you my brother that will never be forgotten. your a good man and one of the best friends I have ever had.REST IN PEACE MY Friend.

LEO TYREE

Leo Tyree - January 30, 2018 at 06:04 PM

LT

“ Leo Tyree lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edward Lavender



Leo Tyree - January 30, 2018 at 05:55 PM

GC

Jesus said; I am the resurrection & the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though they die. And whoever lives & believes in me shall never die. John 11:25-26

Stephanie & I are are so sorry to here of Matt's passing. Know that we are praying for your entire family at this difficult time.

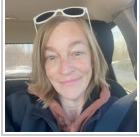
Gordon D Creech - January 31, 2018 at 03:20 PM

CK

“ 1 file added to the album Matt, Greg & Chris



Chris King - January 30, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ *Sure going to miss you Matt.* ”

Anita King - January 30, 2018 at 03:48 PM