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Russell Martin, 44, of Unionville died in his home on August 8. Russell was a graduate of Bloomington South High School and Indiana University. He majored in Anthropology at IU. Though he held a number of jobs, his favorite was training developmentally challenged individuals. He loved music, sports, animals, reading, and physical activity. He will be remembered as a kind and gentle soul who put others first and for his wit. He is survived by his mother Fenton Martin and stepfather Richard Pacelle of Knoxville, Tennessee, his father, Edwin Martin and stepmother Shannon Martin of Bloomington, his brother Craig Martin and sister-in-law Chiara Bariviera of Ferndale, Michigan, his step brothers Zachary Rosenbarger of Indianapolis and Jacob Rosenbarger of Boulder, Colorado and scores of friends. A memorial service will occur at a later date. Please honor Russell's memory by doing something nice for someone you do not know.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

JF

“ We are very sorry to hear of Russell's passing. He was a unique individual who could bring a smile to anyone's face. Though we had lost touch years ago the world is a darker place without him.

Jim Gilbert, Jena Hanes, and family - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

JO

“ Russell was one of the kindest souls I've ever met, and was so funny. We laughed so much when we would hang out. I am so much richer for having known him. He always had a smile when he showed up at my house. Just a gentle, awesome human.

Jonas Flanary - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

GA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time of sadness and loss. Please let me know if I can help. Lots of love.

Garland Preddy - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

CA

“ My heartfelt love and support go out to all of you who are family and close friends of Russell's. It was a privilege for me to know him and to experience his kind and gentle nature. I will indeed do nice things for people I do not know, and think of Russell.

Carol Shapiro - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

AM

“ We were so sorry to hear the news recently as we were away. We hope that your hearts remember Russell and all the good times.

Audrey and Mike Morgan - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

JJ

“ Dear Fenton and family,

we were so sorry to hear of Russell's death. images of him from when we were neighbors and the boys were little have been much on my mind. Such a sweet, funny, wide-eyed presence. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Julie

Julie and John Lawson - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

TE

“ Fenton and Rich and family,

We were so sorry to hear about Russell. May you find comfort in knowing that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this so difficult time.

*Ted and Ethel Carmines
Bloomington, Indiana*

Ted and Ethel Carmines - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

BE

“ *Russell was a wonderful, kind soul. I am so sorry for your loss. I know that you loved him deeply, and that he will always be a part of you. You are in my heart and thoughts.*

Bekki Davis - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

DA

“ Please accept my condolences, our family's thoughts go out to all those who loved him.

David Rivera - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

AN

“ I am so sorry to hear of Russell's death and I send my sympathy and thoughts. It has been a long time since Elm Heights days. Kate, my eldest daughter, remembers him, when they were both out of school, as a neat kid. He was nearest in age to Thomas my youngest, and I remember Russel as a tall quiet, skinny kid. I know that he is much missed.

Antonia Matthew - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

KE

“ I first met Russell through my cousin Ross Greathouse. It was such a relief to get away from the college life and go out to his country home with Loraine and the dogs. They were always sooo welcoming and awesome music was the norm! I loved working with Russell at Hoosier Hills Food Bank and seeing his bright smile. He was a great guy and will always be remembered!!

Kelly Conaway - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

BR

“ Russell was a kind soul who had a smile that would light up the room. My heart aches for his friends and family, and for my dear friend Loraine. May Russell and all of those he left behind find a way to make peace with this loss.

Brandi Host - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

TI

“ Russell was indeed a kind and giving person. I remember contacting him with questions on how to fix up the floors at Community Kitchen, which had suffered from years of neglect. He showed up with everything we needed and gave of his time to bring the floor back to life. He took great pride in doing a job well and his small gesture gave a boost of dignity to everyone who came through the door. He had such a generous heart.

Tim Clougher - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

CH

“ My heart is heavy with the loss of Russell. Watching my friend struggle for many years has been difficult for me and for everyone. Please know that I am sending prayers and love to your family and to Loraine. Russ taught me to live in the moment, to always be positive, to love sports and soul music and dogs and the outdoors. I hope he has finally found the peace that he deserves. He will be missed but always remembered.

Christie Borders - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM

DG

“ We were very sorry to learn of Russell's passing and hope that family and friends will help to ease your pain and grief.

David and Gail Weaver - October 26, 2015 at 04:04 PM