



Ian Heflin

February 19, 1996 - September 24, 2012

Ian Tyler Heflin of Catlett, Virginia died on the morning of Monday, September 24, 2012 while traveling to Liberty High School.

Ian was born at Prince William Hospital on February 19, 1996 and grew up in Manassas and Bristow before moving to Catlett. Ian was an extremely extroverted young man and always looked for ways to lift the spirits of everyone wherever he went, except maybe his teachers, who he sometimes frustrated in the same way as he did his parents. His Twitter account was posted with "The feeling you get when you make people laugh" and he loved talking or tweeting with his many friends and spending time with them. Ian's great love was lacrosse and while he wasn't the biggest guy on the field, he never shied away from making a good hit at the right time. He enjoyed the thrill of the game and considered his team mates as brothers, recruiting many to play at Liberty. He aspired to attend the University of Maryland to play lacrosse there. Ian trained and competed as a gymnast from age 5 until 12 and never lost the skills he developed in gymnastics. Because he had such great confidence in who he was and his athletic abilities, he joined the Liberty High School Competition Cheer Team and was to participate in the team's first competition on Saturday. Ian was full of life, and whatever he did it was with enthusiasm. He was loved by many.

Ian is survived by his mother Lora Pando-Pauley, and step-father Oscar

Pando, of Catlett, Virginia; his father Rowland Heflin and step-mother Olena Badrugina of McLean, Virginia; brother Justin Heflin and sister-in-law Alexis Heflin of Front Royal, Virginia; brother Specialist Eric Heflin of Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; sister Brianna Heflin of Catlett, Virginia; maternal grandparents Billy and Myra Pauley of Tannersville, Virginia; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. Ian is preceded in death by his brother Kyle Andrew Heflin.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. Friday, September 28, 2012 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia. Interment will follow in a private family service held in Tannersville, Virginia.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to the Athletic Department of Liberty High School, 6300 Independence Avenue, Bealeton, VA 22712 in memory of Ian Heflin.

Tribute Wall

TS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Tara Scott-Hogan - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

NI

“ *I am so sorry to for your loss. I wish there was something/anything I could say to lessen your pain. Your son/brother/friend sounded like a fun and happy person. With all my heart I hope your family finds some type of peace in the days, months, and years to come.*

Nina - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

CN

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with you & the family during this very difficult time. Ian was a very dear friend to my son Michael, they loved to go fishing together. He will truly be missed.*

Christy Nasatka - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

JH

“ *I didn't know Ian personally, but looked positively on his participation in the cheer squad resulting in several minutes of video I took of him while cheering at the last two games.*

People who participate are a blessing to others. I will miss Ian.

John Huggins

John Huggins - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

LJ

“ My heart aches for all of you and it seems hard to find the right words to say. Actually, there aren't any 'right words' at a time like this. Ian was a friend of my grandson Christian - they also played lacrosse together. All of you are in my every thought and prayers. May God somehow bring peace and healing to your family. I wish I could ease your pain and loss.

Louise Johnson - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

RO

“ A friend of mine will have her service at Pierce on Monday so as I looked for the details I saw the bright shining face of your son and I had to reach out and just offer my deepest sympathy. I hope that your family finds peace.

Rose - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

TM

“ I was Ian's Language Arts teacher in 8th grade, and I just wanted to share that he had an amazing ability to make the class laugh and smile. He was such a fun-loving young man. While I know there are no words to ease your family's pain, I hope memories of his spirit comfort you in this time of loss.

Tiffany Miller - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

RS

“ I was saddened to hear of the passing of such a young member of my family. I never got to meet Ian, but from what I have read, he was a fine young man. It is a terrible loss and you all have my deepest sympathy.

Ron Smith - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM

MK

“ *Ian was well known and loved by Patriot HS students. He left this earth to go straight into God's loving arms and rejoin his brother. May God comfort your family and also grant full recovery for Brianna.*

Mrs. K - March 29, 2013 at 01:59 PM



“ *My heart and sympathy is with your family, God bless you at this difficult time!*

September 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM