



Jake R. Martin

April 23, 1993 - July 2, 2014

Jake Reed Martin was born to Phillip Reed Martin and Teresa Marie Tatro Martin on April 23, 1993 in Glendale, Arizona and passed away July 2, 2014 at his home in Geneva, Nebraska at the age of 21 years, 2 months and 9 days. Phil, Teresa and Jake moved from Peoria, Arizona to Aurora, Colorado when Jake was 1 ½ years old where they made numerous life long friends. At the age of 5, they moved “home” to Geneva. Through his school career, Jake participated in many sports and activities even being class president two years in a row. He truly loved wrestling, trap shooting and racing ATV’s. Phil and Teresa became a permanent fixture at the gym on meet days, and trap meets in Aurora and Doniphan. Jake did all this while working at Sargent Irrigation after school, weekends and summers. Jake graduated from Fillmore Central High School in 2011. From there he attended Tulsa Welding School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. After finishing top of his class for several phases, he graduated in March 2012 as a Master Welder. Upon returning to Geneva he went to work at Tuttle Inc in Friend. He was quickly brought back into the Sargent team where he worked until May when he decided to work in the family business with Grandpa at Stan’s Recycle & Salvage. In August 2013, Jake got the little sister he never had when his cousin Lindsay Martin moved to Geneva from Arizona. They shared a bond that will never be broken. Racing was a passion that Jake and Phil shared. Many hours were spent tearing bikes down, talking racing strategies and hanging out at the track. Jake was also an avid hunter, enjoying deer hunts with Phil and duck & goose

hunts with “the guys”. It wasn’t uncommon to see Jake getting up before dawn to walk to a pond or in a field in the dark, but it was probably the only thing Jake would get up early for. Jake was a loyal friend. He deeply loved the people he was close to. He had a quick wit, dry sarcasm, fierce intelligence and a stubborn streak a mile long. Jake is survived by his parents, Phil & Teresa Martin of Geneva. Grandparents Stan & Connie Tatro of Geneva, Nebraska and James & Emogene Martin of Ajo, Arizona. Aunts and Uncles Jason & Micky Tatro of Geneva, Jeff & Darlene Martin of Peoria, Arizona and Doug & Pam Martin of Buckeye, Arizona, Don Tatro of Winter Park, FL. Cousins Austin, Brock & Carson Tatro, Whitney Ullinger & Maxx, Lindsay Martin, Mysticole Torda & Victoria, Xavier and Kana, Bryan Martin & Matthew and Serenity and Steven Garcia. Special friends Kip & Laura Steuben and family along with a host of extended family and friends. Funeral Services were conducted at 1st Congregational United Church Of Christ in Geneva, Nebraska on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., July 9, 2014 with Pastor Jeff Jensen and Pastor Diane Ryder officiating. Casket bearers were Trevor Dohrman, Shawn Yates, Jake Herman, Jesse Salmon, Danny Loseke, and Jake Howe. Honorary casket bearers were Bryan Martin, Whitney Ullinger, Lindsay Martin, Austin Tatro, Brock Tatro, Carson Tatro, Kip Steuben and Mysticole Torda. Interment was in the Geneva Public Cemetery. Memorials are to be determined by the family at a later time.

And in the end, it’s not the years in your life that counts. It’s the life in your years. Abraham Lincoln

Tribute Wall

KG

“ *The services were beautiful... he is loved and will be missed dearly by us all. Thinking of you, Jake...*

Katina Gordon - July 10, 2014 at 10:39 AM

JG

“ *Phil & Teresa,
You have been in our prayers, and our thoughts every day. Jim knew Jake pretty well from school and enjoyed having him around to help with moving things. He said he was a great kid.
Please know that you and your families are in our thoughts, prayers, and heart. We are so very sorry for your loss.
Jim & Kim Gewecke*

Jim & Kim Gewecke - July 09, 2014 at 10:21 AM

PV

“ *Martin Family, So sorry for your loss. May God wrap his arms around you to comfort you all in this difficult time.*

Pam Virus - July 09, 2014 at 10:05 AM

DS

“ *My sympathy to you and your family on the loss of Jake. It's hard to imagine life after losing someone so dear to you as a child. I lost one almost 3 yrs ago and just last month I lost my husband. Please reach out for all the help you can. If you want to talk to someone, I could be more than happy to meet you in York. God will help you get through this but only if you let him help you.. Prayers to you.*

Dee Sautter - July 08, 2014 at 06:42 PM

JR

“ Our deepest sympathies are with the Martin family May God be with you all during this time of sadness. Jake was such a great kid to be around and we are so thankful that we got the chance to know him through our nephew Jake Herman. Sending all our hugs and prayers to the family.....

Jon and Kayla Roth - July 08, 2014 at 04:10 PM

AB

“ *Jake R. Martin*

Amber Bowman - July 08, 2014 at 11:51 AM

DR

“ So sorry for your loss. Really wish I could have been there in person but please know that my thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.

*God Bless,
David Rhoades*

David Rhoades - July 07, 2014 at 04:10 PM

JW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family we all loved and thought of him as part of our family he will be missed so much. We have been sharing some of our happy times we had with him i know my grandson Jake H. loves your family like his own also. May god guide you through your sorrow. Jane

Jane Woods - July 07, 2014 at 01:09 PM

PW

“ Sending thoughts and prayers for your family. Jake was a great kid, always pleasant and full of smiles. We are so sorry for your loss. Eric & Pamela Williams & Curtis, Shane, Brady & Zack Quick. Matthew 5:4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Pamela Williams - July 07, 2014 at 11:32 AM

TG

“ We're so sorry to hear about Jake. He was a great kid and our hearts ache for you. We pray that God grants you strength and healing from the love and support of family and friends.

Tom, Kim, Seth, Brette & Reese Gebers - July 07, 2014 at 12:24 AM

MR

“ We are so sorry to hear about Jake, he was a very polite & sweet young man. He will forever live in the hearts of everyone who knew him! With Our Deepest Sympathy

Mark, Sarah, Brandon & Ethan Reinsch - July 06, 2014 at 11:46 PM

RS

“ So difficult to find the words to tell Jakes family what is coming from our hearts...he was in our daughters class and Jacki always had a good friendship with him we are here for you Teresa and give it all to God he knows the reasons why,,,

ryan and shirley schroetlin - July 06, 2014 at 07:46 PM

CM

“ He was a great kid. He was a pleasure to attend school with and to share the exciting day of graduation with. Sincere condolences to family and friends.

Christa Marks - July 06, 2014 at 02:25 PM

DR

“ We were so sad to hear of Jake's death. I can still see the smile on his face when he won his first wrestling match in high school, he was beaming as he looked at you guys in the stands!! My heart aches for all of you and I pray that the days, weeks, and months ahead are made more possible by the support of all your family and friends and the thoughts of our wonderful Savior. Faith seems to be the one thing that brings a sense of Peace. Love and prayers.

Don, Wanda, Alex and Riley - July 05, 2014 at 11:52 AM

FW

“ Our thoughts and prayers for all the family at this difficult time. God bless you all.

Frank and Cheryl Wilson - July 05, 2014 at 08:04 AM

VF

“ My deepest sympathies to you all. Please know that I think of you often and will keep you in my prayers. Love, Vicki and all of us.

Vicki French-Adams - July 04, 2014 at 10:56 AM