



Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings

January 28, 1979 - October 18, 2014

Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings, 35 of Zanesville, died at 4:55 AM on Saturday October 18, 2014 at The Ohio State University Medical Center, following a short illness.

He was born Sunday January 28, 1979 in Zanesville, the son of Jeffrey J. Dollings and Elizabeth A. (Whikehart) Dollings. He married Sarah E. "Beth" Durant on Saturday April 30, 2005 and was a member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

Matt was a 1997 graduate of Bishop Rosecrans High School. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Ohio University and received a Master's Degree in Accounting and Financial Management from Keller Graduate School of Management. He was an avid sports fan, with a passion for baseball. He followed the Cincinnati Reds, Dallas Cowboys and Ohio State Buckeyes. He was a loving and caring son, brother, husband and father, who enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his wife and two beautiful children.

Matt is survived by his wife, parents, two children: Drew & Emma Dollings; ten brothers and sisters; Jeremy Dollings, Sean Dollings, Brian Dollings, Adam (Aubrey) Dollings, Sarah (J.B.) Cunningham, Megan (Ray) Orr, Caitlin Dollings, Daniel Dollings, all of Zanesville; Abby Dollings of Paragould, AR and Jenna Dollings of Zanesville; a special uncle and mentor: Bill Whikehart

of Duncan Falls; his father & mother-in-law: Charles & Sally Durant of Zanesville; two brothers-in-law: Bill (Tammy) Durant of Zanesville and John (Cathy) Durant of Mars, PA; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

In addition to his grandparents: James A. & Mary E. Dollings and Walter & Jane Whikehart, Matt was preceded in death by one sister-in-law: Kathleen Decker.

Friends may call from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Thursday October 23, 2014 at the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, Zanesville where a Christian Vigil will be held at 7:45 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:30 AM Friday October 24, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church 935 Main Street, Zanesville with Fr. Martin J. Ralko as celebrant. Burial will follow in Mt. Olive Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Y-City Midget Baseball League, PO Box 2882 Zanesville, OH 43702-2882 in Matt's memory. To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note please visit www.hilliscombsnestor.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Olive Cemetery

2057 East Pike
Zanesville, OH 43701

Tribute Wall



“ *Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ *Beth - you and your children are in my prayers!*

Denise Gainey - October 27, 2014 at 12:53 PM



“ *Jeff, Beth and family . We are so sorry for the loss of your son, Matthew. No words can take away the grief you feel, but know you are in our thoughts and prayers !* ❤️ ❤️

Carolyn Ball Thompson - October 25, 2014 at 01:07 PM



“ *Oscar, Amanda, Bill, Irene, Keith, Phil, Pat and Zoe purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings.*

Oscar, Amanda, Bill, Irene, Keith, Phil, Pat and Zoe - October 24, 2014 at 07:47 PM



AM

“ To Beth, Drew, Emma, Beth, Jeff, Jeremy, Sean, Brian, Matthew, Adam, Aubrey, Addison, Grady, Sarah, JB, Meg, Ray, Kaley, Kaleb, Cait, Lilly, Dan, Abby, Jenna and anyone I have missed or have not had the pleasure of meeting. I send out my deepest condolences.

I have fond memories of the entire Dollings Family from my short time in Zanesville. Going to visit was always an exciting adventure as there was never a dull moment! The house was filled with love, intense discussions, screaming sports fans and constant laughter. Matt, in particular, was ALWAYS with Beth hanging out on the couch laughing about something. I remember them always willing to give "advice" on relationships or high school stuff. Even though it has been over a decade and I live far away now, these memories as well as many many others will stick with me forever.

I know that there are no words that can heal a broken heart but I want you to know that although Matt's time was short on this earth, your memories of him will last forever! I pray for each of you to be surrounded by peace, strength and love. Love you all!

Amanda Rhodes Segovia

“When you are sorrowful look again in your heart, and you shall see that in truth you are weeping for that which has been your delight.” – Kahlil Gibran

Amanda - October 24, 2014 at 07:41 PM



Sarah
Cunning

Thank you Amanda. JB was talking about how he can't wait to meet you. :)<3

Sarah Cunningham - October 25, 2014 at 12:11 PM

SD

“ Beth & family so sorry for your loss will be keeping you in my prayers.

Sherry (Paulus) Duffy

Serry (Paulus) Duffy - October 24, 2014 at 12:56 PM

CR

“ I am sorry for your loss. Matt was a kind man and I enjoyed working with him.

Cathy Rogers - October 24, 2014 at 12:07 PM

SN

“ Beth and family.
So sorry for your loss. Praying for your family.
Sherry Nocera

sherry nocera - October 23, 2014 at 07:49 PM

LS

“ Lesley Snyder lit a candle in memory of
Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings



lesley snyder - October 23, 2014 at 08:24 AM

MM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of great loss. My the Lord bless and comfort you.

Mary Ann & Jim McDonald - October 23, 2014 at 07:18 AM

LH

“ I am so deeply sorry for your families loss. He was so lucky to have your love and care while here on earth. Now he is in a peaceful place forever where his spirit can rest and be protected. My thoughts and prayers are with you.



Linda Hawxhurst - October 22, 2014 at 10:24 PM

Janet
Hawxhurs

“ Jeff. we are so sorry for your loss. There is nothing worse than the loss of a child ..it isn't supposed to be that way as a parent. We are sending prayers your way to you and all of your family. A tremendous loss ..May God comfort you as you grieve the loss of your son...so precious to you. Love, Tim and Janet

Janet Hawxhurst - October 22, 2014 at 10:04 PM

Janet
Hawxhurs

“ Janet Hawxhurst lit a candle in memory of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings



Janet Hawxhurst - October 22, 2014 at 10:02 PM

DB

“ Jeff, So sorry to hear of your lose. Your all in my prayers.
Dianne(Smitley) Bridwell

Dianne(Smitley) Bridwell - October 22, 2014 at 08:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings.*



October 22, 2014 at 02:48 PM



“ *Beth, Drew & Emma,
Our deepest condolences go out to your family in this time of sorrow. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Psalm 34:18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.*

-- All your friends from Taekwondo.

Teri - October 22, 2014 at 12:06 PM



“ *My prayers and deepest sympathy for the Dollings and Durant families...I didn't know Matt personally, but through Sarah, I know how close your family is, and how devastating this must be...God bless you all as you get through this together...*

Vicki McGaughey Hamlin - October 22, 2014 at 08:54 AM



“ *So very sorry for your loss.....I can't even imagine the feelings that you are going through right now but know that I will keep you and the family in my thoughts and prayers for comfort and peace throughout the next coming days....*

Mary Dusenbery - October 22, 2014 at 08:33 AM

MD

“ *Mary Dusenbery lit a candle in memory of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings*



Mary Dusenbery - October 22, 2014 at 08:30 AM

JM

“ *Thoughts and prayers for your family. I am so very sorry. May God wrap his arms around you and give you comfort. Janie*



Janie McConnell - October 22, 2014 at 05:23 AM

RB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with u Beth.He was a great man , father and husband stay strong as u know that's what he would want u to do.. Love ya*

Ragine Butler - October 21, 2014 at 11:35 PM

RB

“ *Ragine Butler sent a virtual gift in memory of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings*



Ragine Butler - October 21, 2014 at 11:32 PM

TR

“ Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. -Tracy and Matthew Robinson

Tracy Robinson - October 21, 2014 at 06:15 PM

 Jodi Graves

“ Adam, Aubrey, both Beth ' s, Jeff and all siblings - words can not describe how truly sorry I am for your loss. I will remember Matt being goofy at Addison and Grady's birthday parties making everyone laugh and carrying conversations with Gabe about sports. Sending my love and prayers during this rough time. With Love: Gabe and Jodi Graves and girls

Jodi Graves - October 21, 2014 at 05:45 PM



“ Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Matthew A. "Matt" Dollings.



October 21, 2014 at 04:51 PM

JD

“ I loved my son. That's all I will say. He was a kind and beautiful person. I thank God for him everyday. Jeff Dollings, Matt's Dad.

Jeff Dollings - October 21, 2014 at 03:13 PM

MM

“ *Beth, Drew and Emma,
Words cannot express how truly sorry we were to learn of Matt's
passing. May God bring you all peace and strength during this
difficult time.*

~Steve, Maura & Dagne Mantell

Maura Mantell - October 21, 2014 at 02:13 PM

MO

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, I pray God gives you
comfort and peace- Missy and Tony Orr*

Missy Orr - October 21, 2014 at 11:46 AM

MM

“ To Beth, Drew, Emma, Beth and Jeff, Jeremy, Sean, Brian, Adam and Aubery and Addison and Grady, Sarah and J.B., Megan and Ray and Callie and Caleb, Caitlin and Lily, Daniel, Abby and Jenna, and all his friends and family who were devastated by this terrible tragedy.

My heart and prayers go out to all of you! Words fail to describe how you must be feeling! Matt was an incredibly kind hearted and loving husband, father, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend. We, all of us, are far from perfect and have made mistakes in our lives. I'm sure there are many of us, who wish we could go back and change some things about ourselves, if we could. I want to remember Matt as the happy, popular, wonderful and kind person he was - who was very much loved!!!

Matt was there for his cousin Diane when she died at the tender age of 14. That too was a devastating tragedy. We, each one of us, have a choice in how we react to these kinds of tragedies. Diane's death prompted me to get out of my comfort zone, become a hospice volunteer and eventually become a nurse at the age of 48, after spending 27 years working in a factory!

If Matt's death changes just one person's heart and life today, it will not have been in vain! God be with you all in the coming months and years! It's the one thing that has gotten me through.

Love and prayers, Margaret

Margaret Matson - October 21, 2014 at 10:56 AM

B(

Love you Margaret...this a beautiful tribute to Matt❤️

Beth Dollings (mother) - October 21, 2014 at 11:20 AM

SA

Well-put Maragaret. Thank you. ❤️

Sarah - October 21, 2014 at 02:32 PM

ER

“ *Charlie, Sally, Bill, John and Beth and family.....We are so sorry to hear of another loss you have had to face....may God bring you strength and peace during this difficult time once again. Love and Prayers..Ron and Pauline Davis; Bill and Erin (Davis) Roush*



Erin Roush - October 21, 2014 at 10:34 AM