

# Ethan Zachary McCannell

MAY 23, 2017

McCANNELL, Ethan Zachary

Ethan Zachary McCannell, beloved son of Jeanette Yip and Harold McCannell, was born June 17 1992 in Red Deer Alberta. His second birth by baptism was June 30th 2002. at Balmoral Chapel. Ethan went to be with his Lord and Saviour, on Tuesday, May 23 2017 at the age of 24 years. A Celebration of Ethan's Life will be held at the Balmoral Bible Chapel, 2700 - 55 Street (at the intersection of Hwy 11 & Rutherford Drive), Red Deer, AB on Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 1:30 pm.



Ethan will be lovingly missed by surviving family members as:

a brother to Renee aka Winter (Jeremy) Strong, James and Emmett;

an uncle to Skylee, Sienna, Shelby and Scott;

a nephew to Bonnie (Ron) Morrisroe, Betty, Lyla, Bob (Lynn), Jim, Kathy Yip, Susie (John) Hamill, and Heather (Chris) Eisenbraun;

a cousin to Rob (Janet Moore) Adam, Kimberly (Rob) Santos, Jeanie (Yip) Durr,  
Lukas

and Tristan Yip, Jessica (Jay) Young, Jenna (Matt) White, Nicholas Paradis, Katie (Will)

Young, Matt Hamill, Joe (Daelyn) Hamill, and Jessica Eisenbraun;  
a grandson to Lauchie (Claudette) McCannell;  
a grand-nephew to George and Charlie (Jane) Yip and Annie Paisley;  
plus numerous second cousins too many to mention here.

He was predeceased by maternal grandparents Bing and Katie Yip, and paternal grandmother Barbara McCannell; uncles David and Tommy Yip; and cousin Jake Yip.

Ethan attended Sunday School and Youth Group at Balmoral Bible Chapel.

Ethan will be sadly missed by his loving family and his many friends that shared his interests, most of all his very special friend, Tara Lee.

He graduated from Notre Dame high school in Red Deer. He practiced Shotokan Karate for five years and obtained his black belt. This practice gave him life skills in leadership, respect, motivation, competitiveness and commitment.

He went on to Lethbridge college to study the Criminal Justice Policing program. As a college student, his instructors could all attest to his good character, positive attitude, and class performance. Ethan also had an excellent work ethic which was appreciated by all his employers. Ethan's values of commitment, respect, honesty and determination, were developed through his life's experience.

Ethan worked his way through college at Zellers in Red Deer and was currently employed with Border Paving for several years. His employers could always rely on Ethan's positive attitude and work ethics.

Ethan had a passion for hunting and fishing. He enjoyed being in Gods great outdoors and loved animals. He took pictures of everything he caught or hunted. To someone who does not hunt or fish, the pictures all looked the same, but to Ethan, they were as unique as he was. He also enjoyed exotic pets like snakes and reptiles so much so that he had their images tattooed on his body. Ethan was very compassionate, kind, considerate, thoughtful, generous, and a loving young man.

I would like to end with some verses from Ecclesiastes:

Ecclesiastes 3King James Version (KJV)

3 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

Ethan's season on this earth was short, but he still served a purpose for God.

Let us celebrate Ethan's life and try to discover God's purpose

## Messages of Condolence

Jeanette,

I was so very sad to hear about the death of your son.

It sounds like he was a special boy, and of course as his mother, he will always be precious to you.

We will be out of town so can't come to the funeral.

May God comfort you in ways that only He can.

— **Myrna Molberg**

To all of our grieving family ,

Condolences from Amanda, Lukas , Jamie and Kirsty.

We are so sorry for your loss and what you must all be going through.

I cannot fathom how it must feel to have lost someone so young and so dear.

I hope Ethan will be at peace and tranquility on his new path.

You are very much in all our thoughts and we will be with you in our hearts tomorrow.

Much love and sending hugs and kisses to each and every one of you.

He will always be a part of you and that can never be lost.

xo

— **Amanda Yip**

Jeanette & family, A persons worst nightmare.He will be at peace and so will the rest of you in time, Take Care as your family needs you. Candace Tyhy Svederus

— **Candace Svederus**

My sincerest condolences to you Harold and your family for your loss. May God give you the strength to overcome your sorrow and to heal.

— **Morris Kowtek**

Jeanette, I am so sorry for the loss of your son!!

Just know I care & if there is anything I can do, I am here for you my friend☐

God Bless

— **Marion Miller**

Dear Cuz Jeanette, Harold & Family: What a loss, in (y)our great grief of your beloved son, brother, nephew, cousin, 2nd cousin, friend et al. You/we all can be so proud of such a special person indeed. And yes you/we cannot lose the loving memories. I weep with y'all, for this great loss and pray for yes, your cont'd strength, and hope in the great sovereign loving Lord, who knows the nos. of our days and as He knows the nos. of the hairs of our heads. He, our gracious, merciful, heavenly Father is not willing that any should perish, & desires we all come to a saving knowledge of Him, thru His beloved Son, who died for us, to reconcile us with the holy, heavenly Father. And He has a plan for each of us. Ethan did serve God's purpose well while in his short time - he developed and used the gifts given him. And great to know Ethan is God's child, and if we are Gods' children too, we will indeed see Ethan again with a smile and his welcome in his final home, God surround you all with His matchless peace, everlasting love and hope & give you His indomitable courage & strength to journey on 'til then. Love y'all, Cuz N

— **Norma Quan**

Dear Ethan,

One year ago on May 23, 2017 you choose to leave this world; was Life too much for you to bear, did you feel all alone in this world? I wish that we could have talked and spent time together you and I. Things may have been different; I love you Ethan I miss you so very much. I wish that we could have been closer; it would have been a pleasure to watch you grow. I will always remember your love of dinosaurs....you knew almost every kind; you would have made a great Paleontologist; Anthropologist, or Archaeologist but your life took a different path. Your Mother loves you so much.....why did you choose to leave us? In your memory I dedicate a song to you by R.E.M. or the Coors..... the song is called "EVERYBODY HURTS".

PS: Thank-you for looking after HAIR BEAR for me.

Love, Uncle Jim

— **Jim Yip**



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