



Cory A. Blanchette

July 8, 1974 - November 1, 2011

Cory A. Blanchette, age 37, died Tuesday, November 1, 2011 after being hit by a car while jogging. He was a graduate of Manteno High School and received a Bachelor of Education Degree from Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois. Mr. Blanchette was a union pipe fitter and after completing his family, made the decision to return to school in order to realize his dream of becoming a teacher. He started his career by becoming the assistant wrestling coach in Manteno and after becoming head coach had the first state champion in 2007. In addition, Manteno won their first regional championship in wrestling last year. He started as a teacher in the Manteno School District in the fall of 2010. There have been numerous testimonials to Mr. Blanchette's positive motivational techniques for his students. His high school principal stated he had never come across a teacher more "student centered".

Mr. Blanchette was an avid Cubs fan and loved traveling to baseball parks. He also supported his "beloved" Bears. As much as he loved all sports, his main passion was planning and doing activities with his family.

Mr. Blanchette leaves behind his wife Alisa; his son Luke, age 7; daughters Addison, 5, Brooke, 3, and Kendall, 2; his mother Linda E. Blanchette of Manteno; brother Craig (Ann) Blanchette of Manteno; sister Carrie (Nathan) White of Herscher; nephews Blake and Tyler Blanchette of Manteno; Tucker and Tate White of Herscher, and niece Peyton Blanchette of Manteno. He was preceded in death by his father, Raymond J. Blanchette.

Visitation will be held at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais on Thursday, November 3, 2011 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at St. George Catholic Church in St. George, Illinois at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 4, 2011. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to the Cory A. Blanchette family at Homestar Bank, 303 Section Line Road, Manteno, Illinois, 60950 for his children's education.

Cemetery Details

St. George Cemetery

5272 E. 5000 N. Rd.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 929-6363

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

NOV 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. George Catholic Church
5272 E. 5000 N. Rd.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 939-1851
<http://www.stgeorgeil.com>

Tribute Wall

PT

“ *Paulette Tovo lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Paulette Tovo - November 13, 2011 at 08:53 AM

KP

“ *My deepest sympathies to the Blanchette family.*

Kent Ponton - November 11, 2011 at 11:53 AM

CV

“ *Christie Voss lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Christie Voss - November 10, 2011 at 08:44 PM

CV

So, so sorry for your loss.

Christie Voss - November 10, 2011 at 08:44 PM

CH

“ *Cindy Heimberger lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Cindy Heimberger - November 09, 2011 at 09:09 PM

MP

“ *Marc Pavlik lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Marc Pavlik - November 06, 2011 at 09:31 PM

JB

“ *Jim Porter & Amanda Beckwith lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Jim Porter & Amanda Beckwith - November 06, 2011 at 08:04 PM

RC

“ *Our Prayers are with you Cory and family.*
Romi Coffey
Manteno Wendys

Romi Coffey - November 06, 2011 at 05:48 PM

DM

“ *Debra Magruder lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Debra Magruder - November 06, 2011 at 03:36 PM

AR

“ *My condolences and sympathies to the family of Corey. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Audrey Raymond-Belding*

Audrey Raymond-Belding - November 05, 2011 at 10:48 PM

SR

“ *Our deepest and heartfelt sympathies go out to your beautiful family Alisa,Luke,Kendall, Brooke and Addison~all have a special place in our hearts.*

Stephanie and Eric Runyon & Family of San Diego

Stephanie Runyon - November 05, 2011 at 04:41 PM

MB

“ *I am glad I had the pleasure of coaching with Cory for two years while I was at Manteno. I always thought he was a class "A" coach and was impressed by how much he genuinely cared for his athletes and their success. I was not one bit surprised to hear he decided to switch careers and go into teaching.*

Prayers to Cory's family and may he Rest in Peace.

I guess God decided he needed a wrestling coach.

With deepest sympathy,

Coach Baima

Michael Baima - November 04, 2011 at 11:50 PM

MC

“ *Meagan Crandall lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Meagan Crandall - November 04, 2011 at 10:34 PM



“ *Sandra Burke lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Sandra Burke - November 04, 2011 at 06:49 PM



I never met you, but I have heard what a wonderful teacher,, coach, husband & father you were. My grandson Tom Murphy #65 had alot of respect for you, with the big heart he has, he has reched out to your family to help in anyway. My thoughts & prayers are with you & your family. God Bless to the Blanchette Family.

Sandra Burke - November 04, 2011 at 07:18 PM

AT

“ *we never got a chance to meet you but we were all touched by what you did for the kids of Manteno. our deepest sympathy goes out to your family and all of the kids at the HS*



ANGELA THOMPSON - November 04, 2011 at 04:48 PM

TG

“ You were an inspiration to the kids at Manteno High School...even the ones who weren't a part of athletics, but in other things such as Robotics...my daughter, Savannah, said that you were always interested in what the kids were doing...Thank you for being a part of their young lives.

The Guerrero Family

Tracy Guerrero - November 04, 2011 at 01:45 PM

TG

“ Tracy Guerrero lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Tracy Guerrero - November 04, 2011 at 01:42 PM

PW

“ Working with Cory briefly last year at the high school, it was easy to see that he was there for his students and players. His death comes as a tragic loss for our schools, the community, and his family. In this time of grief may there be some comfort knowing the profound difference he made in so many lives.

*With deepest sympathy,
Pat Wilson*

Pat Wilson - November 04, 2011 at 12:01 PM

MI

“ We met Cory when Bryan & Kati Curran welcomed their son into the world last August. Corey stayed with the Caysen and Maddox while we were en route to Bourbonnais to be with them and see our new grandson. He was always there for our daughter and son-in-law. This deeply saddens us and our thoughts and prayers are with his family, and the entire Manteno community. Although we met Corey only once, Bryan & Kati spoke so highly about who he was, the example he set for the youth of Manteno, and the contributions he made to this world. It is our sincere hope that the impact he made on so many people will be a benchmark for many to live their lives.

Mike & Teri Roth, Washington, IA - November 04, 2011 at 10:27 AM

KL

“ I am saddened to hear of Cory's passing. I met Cory after moving to Manteno in high school and he immediately made an impression on me. He was always helpful and even as a young man he demonstrated character beyond his years. It's no surprise that he returned to MHS to coach and teach because he truly loved his town and the people in it. My prayers go out to his family and the students, athletes and faculty of MHS. I hope that Cory's generosity, compassion and character live on through those that he set the example for.

Kelly Lemke - November 04, 2011 at 08:02 AM

RW

“ Linda I never knew your son but he sounds like a wonderful young man my deepest sympathy to you and your family Rita winge

Rita Winge - November 04, 2011 at 02:06 AM

WR

“To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children...to leave the world a better place...to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded.”

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

Way to go Coach

with great respect - November 04, 2011 at 01:14 AM

WL

“The way you get meaning into your life is to devote yourself to loving others, devote yourself to your community around you, and devote yourself to creating something that gives you purpose and meaning.”

~Mitch Albom

with love - November 04, 2011 at 01:10 AM

KG

“Cory was a great coach and an inspiration to my son. He was taken too soon, but his legacy will live on as the values he has instilled in so many lives, and the impact he has made on so many young souls. He will be sorely missed by many! Thank you Cory for everything you have done for not only my son, but so many other kids whose lives you impacted! Never forgotten!”



Krysten Goodman - November 04, 2011 at 12:33 AM

MV

“ *What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal.*”

~Albert Pine

We were truly blessed and thank you for being a tremendous part of our lives!

The (Brett) Vodicka Family

Marie Vodicka - November 04, 2011 at 12:33 AM

TF

“ *The Snodsmith Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*”



The Snodsmith Family - November 03, 2011 at 11:27 PM

TF

“ *The Holcomb Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*”



The Holcomb Family - November 03, 2011 at 11:26 PM

MP

“ Cory~to read these tributes & see the news articles about you makes me so sad, and yet so proud. I think back to when you were a little kid running around on the farm~your dimpled grin & head cocked to the side, just daring someone to tell you that you couldn't do something. You always were a go-getter and obviously that never changed. I remember coming home for your wedding & thinking "Wow....where'd that little kid go?" I remember our visit when I was home before Uncle Ray passed away ~ you told me that you were coaching & teaching and that you really loved it...& the look on your face was so genuine I again had to remember that you weren't that little kid anymore. Just a few weeks ago when we were all together when Memmae passed, we had a few minutes to talk & you updated me on Alisa & the kids and again, not only did your words tell me how much you cared for your family, but so did the look in your eyes. I'm so proud of the man that you became ~ to know what your dream was and to achieve it ~ to know how to be a husband & father ~ to know how to make a positive difference in the lives of others~ those are just a few of the many things that people will remember about you. Rest in peace Cory ~ you have touched many lives & you will be missed.
Love you cuz!
Marie

Marie Blanchette Perry - November 03, 2011 at 11:06 PM

CD

“ Coach Blanchette did so much for our son, Jonathan Dokter. He was a source of inspiration to him. We will never forget that...
Mike and Chris Dokter



Mr. Blanchette was a great example to my brother and everything he has done for the community...Victoria Dokter

Christina Dokter - November 03, 2011 at 10:34 PM

BG

“ *Brian Granger lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Brian Granger - November 03, 2011 at 09:44 PM

DS

“ *Dance Alive Dance Studio lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*




Dance Alive Dance Studio - November 03, 2011 at 09:24 PM

 Patrick Curran

“ *Patrick Curran lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Patrick Curran - November 03, 2011 at 08:47 PM

 Kristina Southerland

“ *Kristina Southerland lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kristina Southerland - November 03, 2011 at 08:44 PM

TF

“ *The Gerber Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Gerber Family - November 03, 2011 at 08:40 PM

KF

“ *Kapchinske Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kapchinske Family - November 03, 2011 at 08:36 PM

HF

“ *Hoffman Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Hoffman Family - November 03, 2011 at 08:03 PM



“ *O'Connor Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



O'Connor Family - November 03, 2011 at 07:58 PM

TF

“ *The Mularski Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Mularski Family - November 03, 2011 at 07:58 PM

TF

The Mularski Family (not sure why the name didn't appear above.) Our thoughts and prayers are with the Blanchette family.

The Mularski Family - November 03, 2011 at 07:59 PM



“ *THE LIBERATORE FAMILY sent a virtual gift in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



THE LIBERATORE FAMILY - November 03, 2011 at 07:55 PM



“ Coach Blanchette was such a caring man.....he truly cared about the kids and their families! I remember at the Manteno MP summer wrestling camp he bought all of the kids Wendys frostys, even shared with the kids that were not wrestlers! Then at our Manteno wrestling banquet he gave our family a whole tray of extra roast beef and buns that were left over because we have a big family of 6...he said take it and feed your family! Sent the rest of the food to a center for battered women. He was the nicest man you could ever meet and was an honest true person...what you see is what you get.....he would take the shirt off his back to give it to you if you needed it! He always talked about his wife and kids truly loved them and was proud of them! God Bless You Corey and Don't Worry About Your family.....Your "Wrestling Family" Will ALWAYS Be There for Them! God Bless You and Thank You..... You Will Truly Be Missed! "The Liberatore Family".....Tony, Wendy, Jacob, Luke, Samantha and Logan



THE LIBERATORE FAMILY - November 03, 2011 at 07:48 PM



“ Jamie Hope lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Jamie Hope - November 03, 2011 at 07:35 PM

JD

“ *Linda and Family,
We were country neighbors on 5000 Road in St. George and
witnessed both Craig and Corey as Altar Servers and helpers at all
St. George picnics. It is so wonderful to hear about the great strides
Corey made as an adult, husband, father, son, teacher and coach.
Please accept our condolences. Know that you are in our prayers.*

Harry and Joan Darabaris

JOAN & HARRY DARABARIS - November 03, 2011 at 07:20 PM

SA

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Cory Blanchette*



shawna ashby - November 03, 2011 at 07:11 PM

SN

“ *I did not know Cory but I know his sister
Carrie n I remember her talk about her
brother alot. I have heard so much about Cory
n wish I could of met him. Cory is God's Angel
Up in Heaven watching over his
students,family and friends n peers. Cory you will be missed.*



Shawn and Raymond Nix - November 03, 2011 at 06:39 PM

CK

“ *The Cerven Family*



Caryn & Tony Cerven and Nick Kirchsclag - November 03, 2011 at 05:55 PM

JN

“ *Coach... Damn man. I can't sit here and think of sappy stuff. I don't think you would want that lol. I'll see you soon good sir.-Neally*

James Neally - November 03, 2011 at 05:01 PM

TF

“ *The Layne Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Layne Family - November 03, 2011 at 04:54 PM

JL

“ *Jonh, Donna, Tayler & Carson Layne lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Jonh, Donna, Tayler & carson Layne - November 03, 2011 at 04:52 PM



“ *Kari Southerland lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kari Southerland - November 03, 2011 at 04:45 PM



“ *Cory I watched you grow from a wonderful young adult who had tons of fun to an awesome husband, father, teacher, mentor and coach. It has been wonderful. We have all been blessed to be around you. What an inspiration you have been to so many people. Your students and athletes respected and adored you in ways you will never know. You will be sorely missed by all. Blessings to your family who knows how lucky they have been to have you for such a short time. Rest in peace and be the best Guardian Angel you can be to your wife, kids, mom, brother and sister.*



Joan and Mike Nelson

Joan & Mike Nelson - November 03, 2011 at 04:24 PM



“ *Family member..... Richard G. and Jean Baron*

Richard G. Baron - November 03, 2011 at 04:03 PM

KM

“ *Kris Mazeika lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kris Mazeika - November 03, 2011 at 03:52 PM

KC

“ *Kelly Chenoweth lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kelly Chenoweth - November 03, 2011 at 03:37 PM

KF

“ *KARRAKER FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



KARRAKER FAMILY - November 03, 2011 at 03:23 PM

WF

“ *Cory was an inspiration for so many people, for both adults and children to go after your dreams and strive for the best you can be. My family is blessed to have met him!*

Worobey Family - November 03, 2011 at 02:50 PM

CR

“ *Cyndi Rieder lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Cyndi Rieder - November 03, 2011 at 02:43 PM

AG

“ *Amy Greenley lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Amy Greenley - November 03, 2011 at 02:42 PM

WF

“ *Worobey Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Worobey Family - November 03, 2011 at 02:39 PM

TF

“ *The Worobey Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Worobey Family - November 03, 2011 at 02:37 PM

TS

“ *The Wasney's And Sailsbery's lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Wasney's and Sailsbery's - November 03, 2011 at 02:21 PM

AF

“ *Aaron Mason And Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Aaron Mason and Family - November 03, 2011 at 01:58 PM

 Patrick
Sweetie

“ *Wil be deeply missed by MantenoKnew Cory for over 15 yrs and was a Hell of a great guy !!!!!*



Patrick SWeetie - November 03, 2011 at 01:34 PM

SL

“ *Stacy Larson lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Stacy Larson - November 03, 2011 at 01:20 PM

TF

“ *The McCool Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The McCool Family - November 03, 2011 at 01:20 PM

CM

“ *Carolyn Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Carolyn Mitchell - November 03, 2011 at 01:08 PM

JR

“ *Did not know him personally but know that he coached wrestling with my son-in-law Tim Schafer. In reading all the tributes....he was quite a guy,father, son, husband, friend etc Our sincere condolences to his family*

Joanna Roat - November 03, 2011 at 01:07 PM

SD

“ *Susan Davis-Tobeck lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Susan Davis-Tobeck - November 03, 2011 at 12:52 PM

TG

“ *THE GOETZ'S lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



THE GOETZ'S - November 03, 2011 at 12:45 PM

TF

“ *THE GOETZ FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



THE GOETZ FAMILY - November 03, 2011 at 12:44 PM

AE

“ *Anita Emery lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



anita emery - November 03, 2011 at 12:33 PM

JM

“ *Jaymie Monahan lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



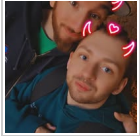
Jaymie Monahan - November 03, 2011 at 12:08 PM

PJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Cory's family at this most difficult time. God Bless.

Pam & Fred Johnson & Family

Pam & Fred Johnson - November 03, 2011 at 12:06 PM



“ i remamber him as my gym teacher he was a great guy a great teacher he was a great person



Zachary Lockeman - November 03, 2011 at 11:53 AM

Angela Zullo

“ Angela Zullo lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Angela Zullo - November 03, 2011 at 11:41 AM

Angela Zullo

We are praying for all of the athletes and students who were touched by Coach Blanchette. We pray that all will continue on their path of greatness and success in memory of Coach. RIP Coach Blanchette

Angela Zullo - November 03, 2011 at 11:43 AM

JS

“ To my 1991 Manteno HS FFA President, you turned out to be a REAL MAN..... dedicated to your family & your students. You are with Jesus now, it is in the BIBLE, (John 14:2-4)
I will pray for your wife and children, they will be ok. I know they will.

Some day you & I will get together.

God Bless the Blanchette family.

Joe Schwamberger Ag Instructor/FFA Advisor 1987-1991

joseph b schwamberger - November 03, 2011 at 11:34 AM

TF

“ The Drummer Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



The Drummer Family - November 03, 2011 at 10:54 AM

TF

“ The Drummer & Haug Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



The Drummer & Haug Family - November 03, 2011 at 10:51 AM

PB

“ *Philip Boudreau lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Philip Boudreau - November 03, 2011 at 10:44 AM

PB

With deepest sympathies to his family. He was in the process of improving his educational expertise to serve students with disabilities. He will be missed.

Philip Boudreau - November 03, 2011 at 10:47 AM

TF

“ *The Connery Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Connery Family - November 03, 2011 at 10:34 AM

TF

The Connery Family-

The Connery Family - November 03, 2011 at 10:35 AM

BE

“ *Linda and Family,
So very sorry for your tragic loss. You have my sincere sympathy.*



Beth Erzinger - November 03, 2011 at 10:32 AM

NF

“ *Neumann Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Neumann Family - November 03, 2011 at 10:14 AM

DO

“ *Debi O'Leary lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Debi O'Leary - November 03, 2011 at 10:06 AM

CW

“ *Carrie Witherow lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Carrie Witherow - November 03, 2011 at 09:48 AM

CW

You are in our thoughts and hearts - The Witherow Family

Carrie Witherow - November 03, 2011 at 09:49 AM

TF

“ *The Mazur Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Mazur Family - November 03, 2011 at 08:56 AM

JT

“ *Jodi, Jeff And Mallory Trudeau lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Jodi, Jeff and Mallory Trudeau - November 03, 2011 at 08:23 AM

CH

“ *Carla Hilbert lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Carla Hilbert - November 03, 2011 at 08:12 AM

SH

“ *Steven Hamann lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Steven Hamann - November 03, 2011 at 07:50 AM

BS

“ Brooke Stulga lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Brooke Stulga - November 03, 2011 at 07:42 AM

DW

“ David & Sandy Wurster lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



David & Sandy Wurster - November 03, 2011 at 07:27 AM

TF

“ The Wurster Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



The Wurster Family - November 03, 2011 at 07:26 AM

MD

“ Michell Drew lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Michell Drew - November 03, 2011 at 07:16 AM

TF

“ *The Drew Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



The Drew Family - November 03, 2011 at 07:14 AM

JR

“ *John Riberdy lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



John Riberdy - November 03, 2011 at 06:44 AM

JR

thinking of you John, Kathy, Samantha, and Jake Riberdy

John Riberdy - November 03, 2011 at 06:46 AM



Samantha
Noftz

“ *Samantha Noftz lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Samantha Noftz - November 03, 2011 at 06:31 AM

SS

“ To wonderful coach who helped make my son the man he is today! Godspeed. - Susan Swart (Jacob Mahnke's Mom)



Susan Swart - November 03, 2011 at 04:08 AM

ZD

“ Coach Blanchette was more than just a teacher or coach to me or any other people that knew him. He was a role model, mentor and close friend. He was one of the kindest people i know and always gave and gave and asked for nothing in return but your best effort. He was a man of honor and respect and deserved the best life possible, may your soul rest in peace Coach </3

Zack Dietsch - November 03, 2011 at 12:28 AM



“ Dillon Perry lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Dillon Perry - November 03, 2011 at 12:18 AM

DK

“ Dawn Knapper lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Dawn Knapper - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *There are some who bring a light so great to the world, that even after they are gone the light remains.*

Cory Blanchette was that person, I am so touched by all the posting by students, a few weeks ago he told me how much he loved teaching & coaching. Cory was my rebel rousing, ruff neck cousin who grew into a wonderful family man who followed his passion and became a teacher and coach. We are all blessed to have known him.

Michelle Blanchette-Huddleston

Michelle Huddleston - November 02, 2011 at 11:26 PM



“ *Kim Gentry lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Kim Gentry - November 02, 2011 at 11:08 PM



“ *Mr. Blanchette, there is to many things to say about him, he was amazing, a great teacher a good friend. so many people looked up to him. he was someone who will always be in are hearts. and him and his family will be in my prayers.*



Alyson Hannagan - November 02, 2011 at 11:02 PM

Patti
Curl

“ *Mr. Blanchett is the reason so many people are who they are. He tough a good lesson, and that lesson was life, and it was how ever you choose to it to be. But he impacted many to live positively. Hes was a Teacher, Leader, Dad, Husband, Inspiration, Co-worker, Brother, Son, Coach, Stranger, Best friend, Peer, and a Neighbor. But most importantly he is someone who will be always missed and never forgotten*



Patti Curl - November 02, 2011 at 10:31 PM

PC

“ *Mr. Blanchett is the reason so many people are who they are. He tough a good lesson, and that lesson was life, and it was how ever you choose to it to be. But he impacted many to live positively. Hes was a Teacher, Leader, Dad, Husband, Inspiration, Co-worker, Brother, Son, Coach, Stranger, Best friend, Peer, and a Neighbor. But most importantly he is someone who will be always missed and never forgotten.*



Patti Curl - November 02, 2011 at 10:28 PM

EU

“ *Eric And Becky Urbanowski lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Eric and Becky Urbanowski - November 02, 2011 at 10:18 PM

Selena Schulteis

“ Coach Blanchette, you were a great father, coach and person. We all miss you. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

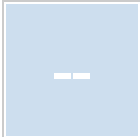


Selena Schulteis - November 02, 2011 at 10:16 PM



“ Coach you were more than just a coach. You were a teacher, a mentor, and to some a father. You always knew how to make a person smile. My best momeory with you was in football. I must have made a good play because all i heard was you shouting at the top of your lungs, cheering me on. Coach, thank you, for everything. You will be missed greatly and will never be forgotten.

Dillon Perry - November 02, 2011 at 10:14 PM



“ It was devastating to hear of his passing - and then elating to read of his coaching, mentoring, and teaching abilities. He was a positive role model to many a teen and his impacts on the community will live on through many generations. A man who was not only admired by his friends and colleagues, but a man who had achieved the greatest of success in not only his career aspirations, but also in his personal life. He married his best friend and beautiful life partner (meant to be since grade school in my opinion) . . . and then together brought four loving children into this world. I feel certain that the memories of his sincerity, honesty, integrity, and light-hearted humor with live on in the memories of all who were fortunate to know him. God Bless You Cory! And may the lord watch over Alisa and your babies.


- friend - - November 02, 2011 at 10:13 PM

 Tate
Moore

“ *Tate Moore lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*




Tate Moore - November 02, 2011 at 10:11 PM

 Cameron
Weaver

“ *Coach Cory,
I remember when i grew up in the wrestling
room were you coached and so did my dad.
You alyways let me blow the bell to make
them to run. You were my favorite part about
going there but looks like those memories are in the past. Love you
Coach Cory always and forever.*



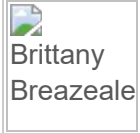
Cameron Weaver - November 02, 2011 at 10:10 PM

 Maggie
Regan

“ *Even though i never had the chance to get to
know him, i know he was a great guy all
around. You'll forever be missed by all of us,
Coach Blanchette! I'll keep you and your
family in my thoughts and prayers.*



Maggie Regan - November 02, 2011 at 10:04 PM



Brittany Breazeale

“ *Coach Blanchette, I remember everyday i would come in from career center and i would always see your smiling face and you would always mess with me and Kyle. I also thank you for helping me though and getting me out of some trouble my senior year. Im going to miss you, you will always be in my heart and so will your family.<3*

Brittany Breazeale - November 02, 2011 at 09:59 PM



“ *Noel Burash lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Noel Burash - November 02, 2011 at 09:57 PM



“ *Coach Blanchette was the best coach that has ever coached me in my life. He was basically the heart and soul of the whole team and showed our football team the fundamentals of being a better person in life.*

Tommy Meyer - November 02, 2011 at 09:55 PM



“ Coach Blanchette you were one of the best coaches I ever had you taught me the basics when it came to wrestling and I am going to miss you telling me what to do on the sidelines for the football games you will be remembered by all and we will take care of your wife and 4 kids thank you for teaching, coaching, and especially being a father to most people.

R.I.P. Cory Blanchette (Coach)

Payton Presler - November 02, 2011 at 09:55 PM

SD

“ Gone but never forgotten. Everyday when I asked him "whats up?" or "hows it going" he always said "livin the dream" I truly believe he was happy and living his dream. He also always said "Every cloud has a silver lining" Thankyou Coach, for everything you taught me, and showing me first hand how one person can make a difference in people's lives.



Sarah Daly - November 02, 2011 at 09:54 PM

DJ

“ im going to miss how no matter what i did, even when i got in trouble he forgave me and made me feel like a better person, or how he could make those hard practices always have a brightside and made me want to work to be a better person even outside of sports. and how he was funny and always made me smile.

David Jacinto - November 02, 2011 at 09:44 PM

TB

“ *Tom & Laura Blanchette lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Tom & Laura Blanchette - November 02, 2011 at 09:43 PM

KS

“ *You always had that smile on your face every single morning. I'm definatley going to miss that. Rest in peace, coach.*

Karli Shields - November 02, 2011 at 09:37 PM

LB

“ *Coach Blanchette always had a smile on his face, he would always make me feel good and proud of myself and i would give anything to wrestle on his team*

Logan belcher - November 02, 2011 at 09:35 PM

MG

“ *coach Blanchette made everyone happy and he loved everyone. there will be a place in my heart and everyone's heart. he was an amazing person in all aspects. coach Blanchette you are missed but never forgotten*

Michael Goodman - November 02, 2011 at 09:31 PM

Priya
Madan

“ You may be gone from the world physically
but you will always remain in our hearts



Priya Madan - November 02, 2011 at 09:28 PM

Zachary
Zielinski

“ Coach Blanchette was an amazing man... I
only had the privilege of knowing him from the
beginning of the school year... I grew close to
him in these last couple months though. I
would've given anything to wrestle on his
team. He was a great man and ive wanted to be like him since the
day i met him. Being a wrestler, i will dedicate every match to him.
He taught me so much... I remember he let me ditch my class to
watch ghost busters with him one day... It was a good day... I love
you coach. God bless you and your family... Best coach and man to
ever walk this planet. You will be missed.



Zachary Zielinski - November 02, 2011 at 09:21 PM

AG

“ Ann Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Cory A.
Blanchette



Ann Gilbert - November 02, 2011 at 08:42 PM

CG

“ My prayers go out to Cory and his family. Always enjoyed receiving and passing along Cory's wrestling results; he was so proud of his young wrestlers and their outstanding efforts. He was indeed the caring, dedicated teacher-coach everyone talks about. God Bless.

-carl gerdovich



Carl Gerdovich - November 02, 2011 at 08:04 PM

CK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and the children. Coach Blanchette was a role model for my son and one of the most caring teachers I've had the pleasure of meeting.



Catherine Kowalczyk - November 02, 2011 at 07:43 PM

CM

“ Mr. Blanchette or Coach Blanchette, He was great teacher and coach for all the students at Manteno. He would ask me how my day was last year. He made P.E. fun my jr. year. I enjoy his love for the wrestling team.

You are miss greatly.

Cadee Massie

MHS '11

catherine Massie - November 02, 2011 at 05:39 PM

AW

“ *An amazing young man who I had the good fortune to know. He was best friend to my daughter so I knew of him and his antics. He will be missed.*



Alice Wasson - November 02, 2011 at 05:12 PM

JF

“ *Jim And Rose Swanson, Cousins In Florida lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



jim and rose swanson, cousins in florida - November 02, 2011 at 04:45 PM

LS

“ *Alisa and family, our hearts are heavy and saddened by the loss of Cory. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. There are no words to ease the pain, but know that you are cared about and will remain in our thoughts and prayers for a very long time. May you find the comfort you need in God, friends and family. Jim & Linda Stauffenberg*

Linda & Jim Stauffenberg - November 02, 2011 at 04:39 PM

KJ

“ We are saddened by Cory's death and our prayers for your families. Our hearts are heavy, Alisa, and we want to express that we care so much that your family is faced with the biggest adjustment of your lives. It was apparent that Cory was a wonderful example of a great family man. He set the "bar" for all young people. Not only was he dedicated to your family and supported the youth in a manner which "makes a difference" but he also lived a life of giving to society. Cory was a good man. In 37 years he left a legacy to be remembered. May you be comforted by the love of your family, friends and community. Kay and Jerry Jarvis



Kay and Jerry Jarvis - November 02, 2011 at 04:21 PM

ES

“ i will never forget when I met Cory on the school bus when we were children and all the memories of him training for wrestling and then, watching him wrestle at his matches. This world lost an amazing, caring person, and I am so proud to have known him. My prayers and thoughts are with Alisa and their children through this difficult time.



Esther McDowell Smith - November 02, 2011 at 03:35 PM

BR

“ Bobbie And Katelyn Ruyle lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Bobbie and Katelyn Ruyle - November 02, 2011 at 03:11 PM

CF

“ There are no words to express this kind of loss. I graduated with Cory and Alisa and I remember them both to be such kind people. The impact that Cory made on kids of Manteno is so wonderful and amazing and speaks to what a great person he was. My heart goes out to Alisa and their children as they make their way through this difficult journey. God Bless the Blanchette family



Christy Matherly-Coovert & family - November 02, 2011 at 02:16 PM

TG

“ I went to high school with Cory ,I remember him running at wrestling practices in a suit that helped him drop pounds. He hated that thing but he never complained to much. What an impact you have made to young kids You will be missed. Praying for alisa and their children.



Tami Dixon- Goodwin - November 02, 2011 at 02:06 PM

RC

“ Ruth Donaldson & Michael Caffero lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



Ruth Donaldson & Michael Caffero - November 02, 2011 at 01:44 PM

VG

“ *Im so glad I got to see Cory and talk with him 3 weeks ago. Also very glad for the family pictures of all of us cousins together. I am thinking of you Alisa, My prayers are with you and your little ones. Cory was funny and a great guy. God bless you.*
Vicki Granger



Vicki Granger - November 02, 2011 at 01:39 PM

SS

“ *Cory has made such an amazing impact on so many children and their families in Manteno. My heart and prayers are with you and your little ones, Alisa.*



Sue Shipp - November 02, 2011 at 12:23 PM

JB

“ *I knew you through my grandsons, Matt & Donny McGahan. You were such an inspiration and friend to them and you will be sorely missed by the wrestling team, the football team, the entire school and community. Prayers are with your family, friends, students and co-workers.*
Jo Ann Bachar



Jo Ann Bachar - November 02, 2011 at 11:39 AM

CL

Cory and I also went to school and were wrestling buddies back in the day. I also remember bailing hay at the farm with his dad. I was always so impressed how FARM STRONG he was. As we were teenagers alot of great times. GOD BLESS ALISA AND THE CHILDREN. CORY WILL ALWAYS BE LOOKING DOWN ON YOU AND ALWAYS WATCHING!!! VERY STRONG INDIVIDUAL. GOD BLESS

CRAIG LATTZ - November 02, 2011 at 03:00 PM

JH

*“ It's amazing how 1 person can have such a big impact on so many lives. Cory will forever be rememberd in my heart for his funny sense of humor, kindness, and generosity. Thinking of you Alisa, and the kids. You and your family are in my thoughts, prayers and tears.
Jenn Hart*



Jenn Hart - November 02, 2011 at 11:29 AM

TF

“ The Kinast Family lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette



The Kinast Family - November 02, 2011 at 11:14 AM

EK

“ Cory was as nice as they come. I was so sorry to hear about the accident and his passing. Cory actually pulled me out of a snow filled ditch on that very same road when we were in high school, seems so long ago. He woudn't accept anything but a handshake. Please know that you all are in my prayers, especially you Alisa. It was at least good to hear you are doing better. Take care!

Ed Kerouac - November 02, 2011 at 11:08 AM

DP

“ *It is obvious that Cory touched so many lives. He will surely be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his entire family.*

Diane Preston and family

Diane Preston - November 02, 2011 at 11:05 AM

 Matt
Thompson

“ *didnt really know him but i will be praying for his family to be able to make it through this together and kno hes with god know*

Matt Thompson - November 02, 2011 at 10:19 AM

K(

“ *Karia Krach (Naden) lit a candle in memory of Cory A. Blanchette*



Karia Krach (Naden) - November 02, 2011 at 10:13 AM

JM

Cory did a great job with the wrestling program and many of the students considered him their go to teacher in matters of life and decision making. I have great respect for the influence Cory had on these students.

Jack McCormick - November 02, 2011 at 10:30 AM