



Zachariah James Pence

June 15, 1995 - September 21, 2021

Zachariah James Pence, age 26, of Bourbonnais passed away Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago. He was born June 15, 1995 in Kankakee, the son of Scott Alan & Kelly Jean (Kirkpatrick) Pence.

If you had the honor of knowing Zach, you knew he was a special soul. He loved God and family more than anything; and took his mission of always praying for people very seriously. He loved all things Military and John Deere; and was proud to be an American. Son of Heaven, spiritual warrior, 3rd degree Knight of Columbus, best hugger, most contagious laugh and sweetest heart. Zach was deeply loved and will be forever missed until we meet him again in eternity.

He was a parishioner of Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. Surviving are his parents Scott & Kelly Pence of Bourbonnais; four sisters and three brothers-in-law, Brittany & Nathan Vail of Kankakee, Danielle & Joseph Simoneau of Italy, Anna Pence of MT, and Mary Abigail & Joseph DeNova of Kankakee; eleven nieces and nephews, Isaiah, Judah, Bella, Rosie, Grace, Moses, Zoey, Evelyn, Lucas, Gianna, and Maximilian; and maternal grandparents, Alvin & Phyllis Kirkpatrick of Reddick. Zachariah is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Jim & Lucille Pence.

Visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, September 26, 2021 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, September 27, 2021 at Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in

Bourbonnais. Interment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.
Memorials may be made to the Myotonic Dystrophy Foundation.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall



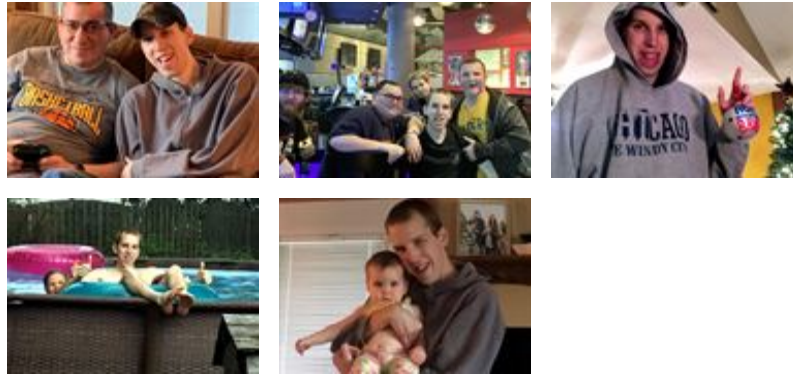
“ *Caring Condolences Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Zachariah James Pence.*



September 27, 2021 at 01:15 AM



“ 122 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - September 24, 2021 at 02:56 PM

NS

“ *My sincere sympathy to your family.*

Nancy Simmons - September 24, 2021 at 10:50 AM

DH

“ *May your family find comfort in the Faith and may you Rest in Peace.*

Dr. Hoffman

Dr. Timothy C. Hoffman - September 24, 2021 at 10:48 AM

TF

“ Praying for the entire family during this time.
🙏



The Villiaros Family - September 23, 2021 at 08:16 PM

JM

“ Praying for you all.



Julie Moody - September 23, 2021 at 06:00 PM

JA

“ Janice lit a candle in memory of Zachariah
James Pence



Janice - September 23, 2021 at 05:19 PM

JA

A green candle for a John Deere lover! RIP!

Janice - September 23, 2021 at 05:20 PM

GM

“ I deeply regret not having ever met Zach in person. Through his brave journey Zach's spirit exemplifies the Christly example of offering up pain for others. I started praying for him a few months ago after seeing his situation on social media. Scott and Kelly, you must be extremely proud of such a courageous son, a young man of God. You obviously raised him and his sisters very well and God will bless you for it. May the angels come and bring you peace through the celebration and the sorrow that accompanies his ceremony of life, and the days yet to come.

Greg Gutierrez-speaking for many. - September 23, 2021 at 04:39 PM

DK

“ As you know, I was extremely close to Zac. We have spent years walking thru episodes of his pain trying to keep out of ER or hospital. The last 4 months have been ezcruciating having to watch what he was going thru. Jerry loved Zach too. One thing Jerry NEVER did was complain if I spent time helping Zach. That is an attestation to his love of both Zach and I. However, it is not zach's pain or any sacrifices made that I remember. It is the secrets shared, the singing and praying we have done together. He is the son I never had and I am soooo grateful for his life and his faith. I have NO doubt he is taking turns of sitting on Jesus's lap or rocking in Mary's arms and smiling down on all of us. I soooo miss Zach, but am grateful for God's mercy. Aunt Debbie and Uncle Herry miss you Zac-man.

Debbie and Jerry Kershaw - September 23, 2021 at 03:54 PM

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Let's try this again without typos.

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Debbie and Jerry Kershaw - September 23, 2021 at 04:03 PM

CA

So sorry for your loss Deb. It is so hard to loose the people we love. My loving prayers are with you ❤️. Heartfelt, Candy S.

Candy - September 24, 2021 at 04:05 PM

HC

Very sorry for your loss Scot and Jean, prayers to your families

Henry Callahan - September 24, 2021 at 09:09 PM