



Kraig A. Klenke

December 3, 1991 - October 26, 2010

Kraig A. Klenke, age 18 of Worden, IL, died Tuesday, October 26, 2010, at his residence in Worden, IL.

He was born on Tuesday, December 03, 1991, in Staunton, IL, the son of Brian and Kristine (nee Clayton) Klenke.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Alhambra, IL. He was also a member of Challenger Baseball at Edwardsville, the National MPS Society, Best Buddies at Edwardsville High School, and attended day camp at the YMCA and Camp Barnabas in Purdy, MO during the summers.

Kraig was born in Staunton, he attended school in Edwardsville. He was a Senior at Edwardsville High School, slated to graduated with his sister, Chelsey, this spring. In his life, Kraig had the opportunity to travel across the United States, spreading awarneness and participating in research opportunities. Kraig was a pioneer in research for Hunter Syndrome, or MPS II. In 2006, an enzyme replacement therapy was approved by the FDA, and Kraig was one of the first patients to receive the medication commercially. He rang the opening bell at the Nasdaq Board of Exchange in 2004. For ten years the Klenke family has hosted a \"Bowl 4 Kraig\" to raise money for the National MPS Society. Kraig loved to watch Barney,ride the four wheeler with his sister, and visit his grandparents on weekends, swing, play outside and

ride tractors.

Survivors include:

Father - Brian L. Klenke, Worden, IL

Mother - Kristine D. Klenke nee Clayton, Worden, IL

Sister - Chelsey N. Klenke, Worden, IL

Maternal Grandfather - Terry L. Clayton, Highland, IL

Maternal Grandmother - Vicki J. Clayton (nee Dapkus), Highland, IL

Maternal Great Grandmother - Virginia Dapkus, Highland, IL

Paternal Grandparents - Earl R. and Doris M. (nee Weihe) Klenke, Hamel, IL

Honorary Sister - Leslie A. Phillips, Cary, NC

Uncle - Stephen S. (Denise) Clayton, Highland, IL

Aunt - Kathy (Howard) Elmy, O Fallon, MO

Uncle - Dale (Valerie) Klenke, Hamel, IL

Aunt - Linda (Dave) Hooks, Alhambra, IL

Cousin - Jacob Clayton, Highland, IL

Cousin - Benjamin Clayton, Highland, IL

Cousin - Nathan Elmy, O Fallon, MO

Cousin - Clayton Elmy, O Fallon, MO

Cousin - David Klenke, Hamel, IL

Cousin - Audrey (Josh) Peebles, Carbondale, IL

Cousin - Darren Hooks, Alhambra, IL

Cousin - Jason Hooks, Alhambra, IL

He was preceded in death by:

Cousin - Jessica Clayton (died 1995)

Arrangements are being handled by Dauderman Mortuary in Alhambra, IL.