



# Joshua Matthew Orr

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**J**oshua Matthew Orr, 20, of Decatur, passed away Sunday, July 29, 2018, in his home.

Josh was born August 24, 1997, in Normal, IL to Jeffrey Michael and Debbie Leanne (Morgan) Orr.

Growing up, Josh was always active in sports. He played T-ball and baseball when he was a kid, and loved football and basketball as well. He went to the YMCA and was such a happy and cute baby boy. He always loved swimming and being outside. Josh grew up around a lot of animals, and had a soft spot for cats like his momma. He leaves behind his puppy Peanut and all the cats he has been around the past few years.

Through elementary and middle school, Josh attended Stevenson, Parsons and Steven Decatur. He graduated from Decatur MacArthur in 2015. He excelled in all his classes, he was such a bright young man. From there he went to Richland to pursue a career in the health field as a CNA. Josh loved helping others, he was always trying to make people laugh, and always had a smile on his face. He worked at several nursing homes and was currently employed at McKinley court care center. He also previously worked at McDonald's where his coworkers described him as "the reason McDonald's was fun". Josh was always joking around, quoting lyrics and having a good time.

Josh loved to travel outside of his hometown. He loved California, New Orleans and was a big fan of the beach. He was a "fish like his dad". He also enjoyed spending time with his daughter, playing video games, hanging out with friends, music, shoes,



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jewelry and “swagg”. Josh truly was a beautiful soul. He always had a plan. He just wanted happiness for himself and all the others around him. “Live your life like we die when the world ends” ❤️

He is survived by his daughter, Elaine “Lainy” Orr of Decatur, IL; his parents, Jeffrey Orr of Decatur, IL and Debbie Woodburn of Decatur, IL; his two sisters, April Woodburn of Bloomington, IL and Brandi Powers of Oak Park, IL; maternal grandfather, David L. Morgan of Normal, IL; paternal grandmother, Claire F. Reid of Decatur, IL; and mother of his daughter, Nyha Tovar of Decatur, IL.

He was preceded in death by his two brothers, Jessie Michael Orr and Jeffrey Michael Orr, Jr. ; maternal grandmother, Evelyn Morgan and paternal grandfather, Joseph Orr ; and two uncles Kenny and Russel Orr.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, August 3, 2018, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, August 2, 2018, at Graceland/Fairlawn funeral Home. Burial will be in East Lawn Memorial Gardens, Bloomington, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family for the care of his daughter, Lainy.



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AC

**Aunt Konnie 'Cornbread'** posted:

There's a Huge hole in my heart&soul Josh. You are very loved. Yes, Heaven has a very special soul/person! I Love You Joshua. Until we 'meet' again. Aunt Konnie 'Cornbread'

August 8 at 4:48 AM

WT

**William Tate** posted:

I'm gonna miss you man I remember the last time we hung out like it was yesterday but it was more like 2 years I wish I could have met your kid and hung out with you. Fly high man heaven just got another Angel

August 5 at 7:25 AM

AW

**April Woodburn** posted:

I Love You Josh ?? My only brother. My whole heart. Til we meet again my Love ?? Fly high my Angel, you earned your wings.

August 3 at 12:45 PM

HB

**Hope B** posted:

I have known Josh since we went to Camp Sokkia. He was always "BFF Josh" since then. this is the third friend ive lost in 3 years so im very protective and cautious of my close friendd now. I even told him a couple days before that tragic day "promise me you'll be careful (before he went to drive) "i refuse to get another RIP tattoo" Josh just laughed it off (that distinct laugh, everyone loved) and he promised he'd be extra careful. but on that tragic day, it rained like ive never seen it before. it was like the rain drops were abnormally heavy that day. the angels were crying extra hard that day, we all were too. I love you BFF Josh, and that youll always be. i have been praying for him & all his family since, also, someday i will get that tattoo for him, im thinking itll be the Virgo sign for him as well as me.Love, BFF Hope.#VirgoBFFs

August 2 at 3:34 PM

DB

**Dutch & Nancy Boyd** posted:

Prayers for you Deb. We didn't know Josh, but we remember how hard it is to loose a child.

August 2 at 9:49 AM



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**Gary, Adrienne & Philip Lynch** posted:

Josh was such a wonderful young man with a beautiful smile. Our condolences to you at this very sad time. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

August 2 at 9:38 AM



**Nan Y McAfee** posted:

I'm so sorry to hear this. I was Josh's 1st grade teacher at Stevenson. He was such a nice boy! My sympathy to his family. ??Sincerely,Nancy McAfee

August 1 at 4:23 PM



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