



Ian Timothy Crosby

September 16, 1985 - December 4, 2020

Ian was born in Salem, Oregon on September 16, 1985. His namesake grandfather, John Crosby, officiated when his parents, Timothy John and Cynthia Osborne Crosby, dedicated him to our Heavenly Father as a baby. He was always a happy little boy. He would tag along to keep up with his big sister, Claire, who made room in her heart to love her little brother.

He attended Myers Elementary, Heritage School, Walker Middle School and South Salem High School. He made friends easily and had a quick laugh and wit. His handsome looks, smile and big heart charmed all those he shared his love with. He played and loved baseball and survived football. When asked how many concussions he really had during high school football, he confessed to many more than the four or five his parents were aware of.

Ian studied at Linfield College and Oregon State University. He was a dedicated Beaver fan and Denver Broncos fan, due to his parents' Colorado roots. His real love in sports was for the Chicago Cubs. One of the highlights of his life was to attend a game at Wrigley Field when the Cubs and the Brewers were in the Playoffs. The Cubs won that day and he didn't want the moment to pass, so he and a friend were the last ones to leave that section of the stadium. The Cubs went on to win the 2016 World Series, the first time since 1908. Ian felt that win was for him.

Ian loved to be outdoors. There were many fun camping trips to Detroit Lake with his grandparents and cousins. The family and friends backpacking trips to Pamela Lake are such good memories. Then came many backpacking trips in the Pacific NW with his buddies. He also loved to travel. He designed his own body art tattoos on his left arm showing many of the countries he was able to see and experience - the major cities of Spain, France, England, Costa Rica, South Africa and Zimbabwe. During Ian's time in Zimbabwe he worked with a friend to set up the kitchen for the opening of a new school, Tots Academy Kindergarten and Preschool in Harare.

He liked to sketch and paint scenes from his life. He was a keen board game player with frequent challenges to beat him in Scrabble. He loved being around kids, and they loved being around Ian.

He will be deeply missed by his mother Cynthia (Osborne) Crosby, his father Timothy Crosby and step-mother Kathy Crosby, sister Claire (Crosby) Fulsher, brother-in-law Kevin Fulsher, nieces Audrey and Charlotte Fulsher and many other family members and friends.

Please share thoughts and memories on his obituary webpage below. Ian will be interred at Mt. Union Cemetery in Philomath, Oregon.

A celebration of Ian's life will be held when it's safe to gather, by playing a baseball game and having a picnic in his memory.

Alcohol abuse is such a misunderstood and cruel disease. For those who would like, a contribution in Ian's name may be made to Serenity Lane. <https://serenitylane.org/makeadonation/>

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“ With my deepest sympathy to Ian’s family and my heartfelt sadness that he has left us. I will always memories Ian’s friendly smile, caring attitude, and most of all the gift of someone like him in this unforgiving world.

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“ I knew Ian 7 years ago. He didn’t open up much, but when he did it was all centered around his family. As he would share stories with me, tears would always come to his eyes as he would express his love and gratitude for everything they had done to support and help him in his recovery. The joy and love he had for his sister was beautiful. She was the most beautiful person he knew, “just the best human ever, out of anyone I know she deserves the absolute best in life.” he would say. I remember this vividly because after that night I remember thinking to myself, “wow, if I could love my brother with that much intensity how much brighter my life could be.” And now my relationship with my brother is full of love and brightness. Him sharing his adoration for his sister truly left an impact on how I chose to move forward in my relationship with my brother. Thank you, and I hope that this helps heal a piece inside of you. Much love. - megan

megan - December 10, 2020 at 07:12 PM