



Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III

September 24, 1992 - April 24, 2012

Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness, III, age 19, of Huntington, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday (April 24, 2012) at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, after a seven year battle with cancer.

Mitchell was born on September 24, 1992 to Mitchell and Rochelle A. (Haneline) Van Ness, Jr. in Fort Wayne. He graduated in 2011 from Huntington North High School.

He was a member of Faith Community Church of God, the Y.M.C.A and the Total Fitness all in Huntington.

Survivors include his mother and father - Rochelle and Charles Griffey of Huntington; his father - Mitchell Van Ness, Jr. of Warren; three brothers - Mykell LeRoy Van Ness of Huntington, Daniel (Marcey) Wright of Van Buren and C. J. Griffey of Huntington; four sisters - Richelle Griffey of Huntington, Grace Griffey of Huntington, Hope Griffey of Huntington and Sarah Wright of Van Buren; grandparents - Fred (Donna Belle) Haneline of Roanoke, Gloria Bolinger of Warren and Mitchell LeRoy (Barbara) Van Ness, Sr. of Warren; aunts - Christina A. Haneline of Fort Wayne and Clara Faith Griffey of Anderson; and numerous uncles and aunts. His grandmother, Louise Drudge Haneline preceded him in death.

Visitation will be 2 - 8 p.m. Friday (April 27, 2012) at Bailey-Love Mortuary. Funeral services will be at 12 p.m. on Saturday (April 28, 2012) with visitation from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. prior to the service at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Austin Pettigrew officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bailey-Love Mortuary (to assist the family), 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - April 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Mitch i love and miss you i remember i used to stay the night and help you and micheal watch cj and the girls. "Gone But Never Forgotten"



shyanne - November 26, 2013 at 07:44 AM

RC

“ Roxanna Covey lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Roxanna Covey - May 01, 2012 at 08:44 PM

RC

Rochelle, I am so sorry for the loss of your son. I was praying for him after my cousin posted prayer request on facebook for him. I did not realize he was your son. I heard he put up a great fight. If there's anything I can do just let me know. Continuing the prayers for you and all of your family. May God bless you all. Roxanna Smith Covey

Roxanna Covey - May 01, 2012 at 08:48 PM

AH

“ *Angie Hartman lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Angie Hartman - April 30, 2012 at 03:21 PM



“ *Rochelle and chuck im so sorry about mitchell if there is anything I can do just call me 260-804-0433 I love you both alot im so sorry for your lose*

debbie mcdonald - April 30, 2012 at 11:08 AM

VH

“ *Vicki Hoium lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



vicki hoium - April 30, 2012 at 10:52 AM

KP

“ *Kaylah Parrish lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kaylah Parrish - April 30, 2012 at 07:44 AM

AH

“ *Ashley (Parker) Hamming lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Ashley (Parker) Hamming - April 30, 2012 at 06:41 AM

NB

“ *Natasha Bolinger lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Natasha Bolinger - April 29, 2012 at 07:10 PM

DK

“ *Dawn And Kenny lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Dawn and Kenny - April 28, 2012 at 08:08 AM

HG

“ *Holly Goodwin lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



holly goodwin - April 27, 2012 at 05:57 PM

HG

I will be praying!!! i to lost my brother from cancer 6 yrs ago and he was 20 yrs old! i can relate to your sorrow and heart ache!!!

holly goodwin - April 27, 2012 at 05:59 PM

AS

“ *Anni Schmid lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Anni Schmid - April 27, 2012 at 12:03 PM

TH

“ *Tiffany Hahn lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Tiffany Hahn - April 27, 2012 at 09:26 AM



“ I will never forget the childhood memories we had together bro. All the times we hung out were unforgettable. You will be dearly missed.



April 27, 2012 at 09:12 AM



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Christina Haneline - April 27, 2012 at 07:14 AM



“ Although my heart is breaking I at peace knowing you are with God and cancer cannot touch you any longer. You came into my life as a miracle and left our lives as a superstar! I will treasure all memories and will never forget you! Please, give grandma a giant hug and kiss from me, see you on the other side my love. Aunt Chris

Christina Haneline - April 27, 2012 at 07:13 AM



“ Christina Haneline lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Christina Haneline - April 27, 2012 at 06:56 AM

SP

“ *SHANE ALLEN PHILLIPY lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



SHANE ALLEN PHILLIPY - April 26, 2012 at 09:28 PM

AT

“ *Anne Tarter lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Anne Tarter - April 26, 2012 at 08:59 PM



“ *Erika Long lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



erika long - April 26, 2012 at 08:05 PM

MO

“ *Michelle Robbins Osborn lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Michelle Robbins Osborn - April 26, 2012 at 08:03 PM

CW

“ *Charity Lee Wood lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



charity lee wood - April 26, 2012 at 07:04 PM

RT

“ *Robert Teusch lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Robert Teusch - April 26, 2012 at 04:36 PM



“ *Nichole Finton lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



nichole finton - April 26, 2012 at 03:54 PM



“ *Im so sorry to hear about your loss. As a mother that also lost a child at a young age i feel your pain. Just always remember you have your angel watchin over you. I know its a hard thing to loose a child and keep a smile on your face but at those hard times just think of the good memories and all the laughs you shared and remember hes not in pain any more....my thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.*

nichole finton - April 26, 2012 at 03:54 PM

JA

“ Thank you for being a fan Mitchell. Rest in peace, wish we could have met. -jtm http://john473.podomatic.com/entry/2012-04-26T13_23_15-07_00

John Arroyo - April 26, 2012 at 03:31 PM

RM

“ Ronald Millington lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Ronald Millington - April 26, 2012 at 02:10 PM

JM

“ Joseph Metz lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Joseph Metz - April 26, 2012 at 02:07 PM

KB

“ Kendra Brockhaus lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Kendra Brockhaus - April 26, 2012 at 01:26 PM



“ I know we werent really good friends but you were really fun to hang with when we actually did. You gave god an amazing angel and your in a better place now with no pain. You are so loved and very missed. RIP Mitch

April 26, 2012 at 01:05 PM



“ lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



April 26, 2012 at 01:02 PM



“ Alicia Reust lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Alicia Reust - April 26, 2012 at 12:19 PM



“ Robert And Crystal Flood And Family lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Robert and Crystal Flood and Family - April 26, 2012 at 12:06 PM

J(

“ *Jasmine Nychole Garl (Whitesell) lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jasmine Nychole Garl (Whitesell) - April 26, 2012 at 10:49 AM

MH

“ *Mahala Hasty lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Mahala Hasty - April 26, 2012 at 10:41 AM

MB

“ *Makayla Borders lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Makayla Borders - April 26, 2012 at 09:55 AM

JW

“ *Jean Webb lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jean Webb - April 26, 2012 at 08:48 AM

KQ

“ *Kylie Quakenbush lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kylie Quakenbush - April 26, 2012 at 08:29 AM

KQ

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Kylie Quakenbush - April 26, 2012 at 08:25 AM

ME

“ *Megan Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Megan Ellis - April 26, 2012 at 08:24 AM

RT

“ *Rebecca Telfer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Rebecca Telfer - April 26, 2012 at 08:24 AM

RE

“ *Rebecca lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Rebecca - April 26, 2012 at 08:21 AM

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Rebecca - April 26, 2012 at 08:21 AM



“ *Britney Whitesell lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



britney whitesell - April 26, 2012 at 08:17 AM

KQ

“ *Miss and Love you Mitchell. You are forever in my heart <3*

Kylie Quakenbush - April 26, 2012 at 08:11 AM

PB

“ *Patty Brodbeck lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Patty Brodbeck - April 26, 2012 at 07:29 AM



“ *My favorite memory of Mitch- at camp we told him that the geese by the lake were really mean. So in response he took off running at them. I think when he realized that they weren't going to run he decided to turn around, but at that time the geese started chasing him. We all had a good laugh and ended that day with a huge campfire and prayer. Mitch was an outgoing guy and he definitely lived his life to the fullest.*

April 26, 2012 at 06:37 AM

JS

“ *Jake Daniel Dolten Spencer lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



jake daniel dolten spencer - April 26, 2012 at 06:37 AM

BJ

“ *You were a fighter, and touched hearts. Thoughts and many lives your heart and story will always be in our lives and thoihts and prayers out to family. And friends.*



Bri Johnson - April 26, 2012 at 06:15 AM

MB

“ *Mary Branscomb lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



mary branscomb - April 26, 2012 at 05:41 AM

KH

“ *Kathy Feighner Poe Hemker lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kathy Feighner Poe Hemker - April 26, 2012 at 12:46 AM

KH

“ *Kayla Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kayla Hamilton - April 26, 2012 at 12:34 AM



“ *we miss you mitch!!! but we are all glade to see u not suffer anymore you may be gone but u will never be forgotten*



brittany john - April 26, 2012 at 12:11 AM

SM

“ *Sherry Mcintyre lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



sherry mcintyre - April 25, 2012 at 11:48 PM

KB

“ *Kathy Bittner lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kathy Bittner - April 25, 2012 at 10:44 PM

KA

“ *Karianne(williams)haneline lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



karianne(williams)haneline - April 25, 2012 at 10:42 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



April 25, 2012 at 10:32 PM

JH

“ Jessica Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Jessica Hicks - April 25, 2012 at 10:30 PM

BR

“ Brenda lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Brenda - April 25, 2012 at 10:11 PM

CR

“ Connie (Steele) Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Connie (Steele) Reynolds - April 25, 2012 at 10:06 PM

DT

“ DAWN TEUSCH lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



DAWN TEUSCH - April 25, 2012 at 09:58 PM

DT

WE LOVE YOU

DAWN TEUSCH - April 25, 2012 at 09:59 PM

TB

“ *Taylor Buzzard lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Taylor Buzzard - April 25, 2012 at 09:46 PM

JM

“ *Julie Garman And Keith Mullins lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Julie Garman and Keith Mullins - April 25, 2012 at 09:19 PM

KL

“ *Karisa Land sent a virtual gift in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Karisa Land - April 25, 2012 at 09:01 PM



“ *Tracy Ripley lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Tracy Ripley - April 25, 2012 at 08:57 PM



“ *Karisa Land lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Karisa Land - April 25, 2012 at 08:56 PM



“ *Sarah Wright lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Sarah Wright - April 25, 2012 at 08:52 PM



“ *Alyssa Bowers lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Alyssa Bowers - April 25, 2012 at 08:50 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



April 25, 2012 at 08:15 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



April 25, 2012 at 08:15 PM



“ *Diamond Boggs lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Diamond Boggs - April 25, 2012 at 08:11 PM



“ *Destiny Boggs lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Destiny Boggs - April 25, 2012 at 08:09 PM

JM

“ *Jenny Millington lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jenny Millington - April 25, 2012 at 08:09 PM

MD

“ *Marilyn Davis lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Marilyn Davis - April 25, 2012 at 08:07 PM

MS

“ *Missy Shively lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Missy Shively - April 25, 2012 at 08:01 PM

JS

“ *Jenny S. lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jenny S. - April 25, 2012 at 07:53 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



April 25, 2012 at 07:13 PM



“ *Jasmine Stanley lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jasmine Stanley - April 25, 2012 at 07:13 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



April 25, 2012 at 07:13 PM



“ *Haylee Weller lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Haylee Weller - April 25, 2012 at 07:13 PM

KR

“ *Kathy Rosenfeld lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Kathy Rosenfeld - April 25, 2012 at 06:43 PM

AP

“ *Audrey Pressler lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Audrey Pressler - April 25, 2012 at 06:40 PM

AL

“ *Alison Louthan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Alison Louthan - April 25, 2012 at 06:39 PM

LP

“ *Lauren Prieur lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Lauren Prieur - April 25, 2012 at 05:13 PM

CM

“ Mitch always had a big smile on his face. Always came into school with something funny to say to cheer me up. He use to laugh at me when I got mad and let me vent to him when I was sad. Told me it was ok to cry. But me being me always told him I'm strong I wont cry. So his reply was ALWAYS "imma pinch you and MAKE you cry" lol he was an amazing friend to me! We use to go skating together before this battle began and I will always hold our great memories verrrry dear and close to my heart!



Ciera Myers - April 25, 2012 at 05:07 PM

SG

“ Sarah Galo lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Sarah Galo - April 25, 2012 at 04:51 PM

AS

“ Anna Schenkel lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Anna Schenkel - April 25, 2012 at 04:43 PM

RC

“ *Mitch, you were an inspiration to all you touched and made more of an impact than we will ever realize, you will be sadly missed. Our hearts and prayers are with your family at this time.*

Ron and Sandy Clabaugh

Ron Clabaugh - April 25, 2012 at 04:39 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*

April 25, 2012 at 04:34 PM



NN

“ *Nora J. Niswonger-Green sent a virtual gift in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*

Nora J. Niswonger-Green - April 25, 2012 at 04:31 PM



SG

“ *Sally A Gamble lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*

sally a gamble - April 25, 2012 at 04:24 PM



JH

“ *Jonneylynne Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Jonneylynne Hughes - April 25, 2012 at 04:17 PM

TO

“ *Todd lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



todd - April 25, 2012 at 04:11 PM

JS

“ *mitch was just a funny happy guy. he didnt let anything get the best of him. He will truly be missed by all :(*



Jenna Lynne Shafer - April 25, 2012 at 04:01 PM

KR

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers!*



Kathy and Darryl Rosenfeld - April 25, 2012 at 03:59 PM

SS

“ Sherrie Southerland lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Sherrie Southerland - April 25, 2012 at 03:18 PM

JD

“ Joey Denney lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Joey Denney - April 25, 2012 at 03:02 PM

MD

“ Michelle, Joey And Colista Denney lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Michelle, Joey and Colista Denney - April 25, 2012 at 03:02 PM

KC

“ Kathy Crago lit a candle in memory of Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III



Kathy Crago - April 25, 2012 at 02:59 PM

KC

*Rochelle and Chuck and family,
I cannot know the pain you feel.
I cannot share your memories or your loss.
My words of sympathy are beneath measure, yet
know that my heart reaches out with love to your heart.*

Kathy Crago - April 25, 2012 at 03:14 PM

MB

“ *Marissa Bannister lit a candle in memory of
Mitchell LeRoy Van Ness III*



Marissa Bannister - April 25, 2012 at 02:22 PM

JE

“ *You were so strong buddy.. no one will ever take ur place, i know
we wasnt very close but we knew eachother pretty well and your
fight was incredible.. You will always stand out as a hero in my book
and now ur an angel.. Rest In Peace brother God Speed and well
see ya again someday*

Joe Easterday - April 25, 2012 at 01:39 PM