



River Vaughn

July 22, 1989 - May 12, 2021

River Edward Gene Vaughn passed away on May 12, 2021 in Springfield MO. He was born in Joplin MO on July 22, 1989 to Michael and Tina Vaughn.

River is survived by his parents Michael Vaughn, Columbus KS and Tina (Dale) White, Ozark MO. Daughters Emma Vaughn and Audree Tiegs, Carthage MO. Sisters Dana Little, Webb City MO, Stacey (Ben) Hamilton, Joplin MO and Storm (Donnie) Snyder, Columbus KS. Grandparents Don (Lois) Greninger, Payne OH and Athena Hart, Hamilton GA. A multitude of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Grandparents Marvin and Juanita Vaughn and brother in law Heath Little preceded him in death.

River could converse with anyone and he did! If you wanted to talk conspiracy theories, ancient aliens or the Kansas City Chiefs, he was your guy. He would spend hours talking about his “rambling thoughts” and then post videos on YouTube for all the world to see.

River was always willing to answer a call, listen to your troubles and turn your bad day upside down with his irreverent and sassy comments. He would make sure to tell you that he loved you before he'd hang up. If you hung up prematurely before saying I love you back, just expect an immediate return call and you would hear him say “did you forget something”?

The greatest joy in Rivers life were his girls, Emma and Audree. He was so proud of them. He would proudly show off pictures and videos of them to anyone he knew.

River was especially close to all of his sisters. He was always there for them, as they were for him. Growing up as the only boy in a house full of girls would be tough for most but River used that to his advantage. He knew if he blamed one of them for something he'd done, mama would of course take his side against theirs. He had it made!

Services will be held on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 2 pm at Ulmer Funeral Home, Carthage MO. Visitation will be prior to the service from 12 – 2 pm

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to CORE, 280 State Highway T, Branson MO 65616.

If we have learned anything from River it would be to never “forget something”. Tell those that you love and care about that you love them!

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
1208 S. Garrison
Carthage, MO 64836
(417) 358-2222
ulmerfh@gmail.com
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Funeral Service

MAY 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *I forever love you little bro . I miss you dearly*



Stacey hamilton - January 24, 2022 at 02:01 AM

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“ *River is my baby brother. I'll miss him so very much. Words can't express how his passing breaks my heart. Knowing he's at peace and with Heath is my saving grace.*



Dana Little - May 18, 2021 at 11:27 PM



“ *Yellow Rose Buds (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of River Vaughn.* ”



May 17, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Words can't express how so sorry I am to hear this news. I'll forever remember watching the kids grow up together and watching River grow into a man and father. I'm so very sorry. Prayers to the family.* ”

Shanon Eden - May 16, 2021 at 07:35 PM



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Jessica Ryan - May 14, 2021 at 09:35 PM



“ *Thank you River for giving me Emma. You always knew how to make someone laugh no matter what. One of the things I love about you. We all miss you so much already and can't wait to see you again. I guarantee you're up there cracking jokes or doing something silly to make someone laugh. Watch over our girls.* ”

Alesia Tiegs - May 14, 2021 at 01:50 PM

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He was a great employee... my condolences.

shanice - May 14, 2021 at 03:33 PM



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Ulmer Funeral Home - May 14, 2021 at 01:29 PM