

# Joseph James Morelli



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1994-2014

It is with infinite sorrow we announce the death of Joseph James Morelli. Beloved son to Barbara Marie Wirostko, M.D. and Joseph John Morelli, M.D. Faithful brother to Robert, Julia and Cristina.

Joseph was born in New York, N.Y., on Aug. 18, 1994. He graduated Park City High School in 2012 after relocating from Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., in 2010. His transition to Park City was seamless. He earned a WUE scholarship and began attending MSU in Bozeman where he had begun his third year studying engineering. He had recently returned from a semester abroad at the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand, traveling through Fiji and Thailand.

Joseph was the quintessential free spirit. Doing as he pleased while also pleasing others. His love for the outdoors is legendary amongst his peers. He could always be found skiing, dirt biking, camping, hiking or surfing. He never let the sun set on a beautiful day without thoroughly engaging in the present.

Music was another passion. A self-taught guitar player, he could often be found playing or listening to classic music from another era. Had he had his way he would have come of age in 1969 in Haight-Ashbury.

His love for his family and friends knew no limits. He was renowned for always having a smile on his face while trying to put a smile on all those around him. Joseph was one of the most selfless men anyone could know. Whether picking up a hitchhiker, helping the

homeless or sharing a meal, he always tried to brighten other's days out of the goodness of his heart.

Joseph James Morelli LIVED his short life with passion. He experienced more in his 20 years than many men twice his age. We feel a deep void with his loss but are also inspired by the intensity with which he lived. Watch out Angels. You just got a live one.

A memorial wake service celebrating Joseph's life will be held on Friday, Sept. 12, 2-4 p.m. at Olpin-Hoopers Funeral Home, 288 North Main Street, Heber City, Utah 84032. The vigil service and viewing will be Friday, Sept. 12, from 6:30-9 p.m. at St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church, 1505 White Pine Canyon Road, Park City, UT 84060. A Funeral mass will follow on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 9:30 a.m. at St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church, 1505 White Pine Canyon Road, Park City, UT 84060.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that you consider making a donation to a scholarship fund set up in Joseph's name for children with learning disabilities who have chosen a career in engineering. The award will help offset the cost of books, tuition and/or room and board for children graduating from Park City High School.

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To donate, checks should be made to **Joseph James Morelli Legacy Foundation** with "Joseph James Morelli Scholarship Fund" on the memo line.

Mail to:

Joseph James Morelli Legacy Foundation  
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