



Eric Michael Draper

September 8, 1989 - September 14, 2013

Eric Michael Draper of Drummond Island passed away suddenly September 14, 2013. He was 24. He was born on September 8, 1989 in Cadillac to Ricky D. & Kim I. (Johnson) Draper.

Eric graduated from Pine River High School and went on to Motorcycle Mechanics Institute in Phoenix, Arizona for two years. He moved back to Michigan and worked as a mechanic on the Keweenaw Peninsula in Houghton before working for Fort Drummond Marine.

Eric enjoyed hunting, fishing, shooting guns, dirt bikes and snowmobiling. He never went anywhere without his dog, Thor and enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his nieces.

He is survived by his parents, Rick and Kim Draper of Tustin; brothers, Jake Draper of Princeton, Minnesota and Nate (Katy) Draper of Leroy; nieces, Lalya and Alayna Draper; grandmother, Jean Draper and Ray Sherman of Wolverine and many Aunts and Uncles including, Tim (Darlene) Terrill of Leroy, Alan (Renee) McQuestion of Leroy, Sam (Melanie) Draper of Cadillac and Jeff (Laura) Draper of Rogers Heights.

He was preceded in death by grandparents, Bernie and Ginny Johnson and Keith Draper.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday September 18, 2013 at Augustana Lutheran Church in Tustin with Pastor Michael Holman officiating. Friends may meet the family Tuesday from 5-7 pm at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac. Burial will be at Maple Hill Cemetery in Leroy. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Augustana Lutheran Church. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

JS

“ We are given many precious gifts as we go through life. Some we are allowed to enjoy for a long time, others only briefly, but each gift has the power to change and enrich us, to make us better human beings. Angels live forever, far beyond our days on earth. Every soul receives an angel guardian at birth. Invisible these angels never leave us, day or night. They know our fears and whisper " everything will be alright" . They give us strength and purpose, keep our hope and courage strong! They fill our minds with wisdom and our spirit with a song, and when the time in this world comes to reach our journeys end, our angel walks beside us like a kind familiar friend. And as we leave behind the only place we" ve ever known, we see our angel smile, at last, and hear, " Your Home, Your Home

Jessi Smith - June 11, 2014 at 11:54 AM

EE

“ Eric and I spent nearly every weekend together before I shipped to bootcamp in May of 2013. He was an amazing man and was such a gentleman. He created so much fun where ever we went and when I asked him what the plan was for the night he would say " Oh, I don' t know. Let' s go on an adventure." Every time we spent time together was an adventure. I am so sorry for your loss. I miss him so much.

Elise Erickson - February 13, 2014 at 12:17 PM

MM

“ I didn't know your son but my three grandsons told me what a great guy he was. I am very sorry for your loss.

Mary Marine - September 21, 2013 at 08:07 PM

DW

“ I worked with Drapes at Adventure Island in 2008. He was a very nice guy, he could fix anything, and he quickly became one of my friends. He will be missed.

Dan Wilson - September 18, 2013 at 09:03 AM

AB

“ I had the opportunity to spend time with Eric on my frequent trips to the island. His love for nature & his dog were evident. He will be sadly missed by the islanders. May God comfort his family & friends through this difficult time!

April Black - September 17, 2013 at 07:56 PM

BJ

“ To Eric's family he will be deeply missed by us here at the marina and by countless others here on Drummond island. My two boys who are 6 and 8 as well loved to go over to the cabin to visit with him and Thor. I am so sorry for your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Blaine Tischer Jr. - September 17, 2013 at 12:29 PM

RT

“ I met Eric on Drummond Island and only knew him for a short time. But in the time that I did he showed me how awesome of a guy he was! My thoughts go out to his family and friends and he will be missed dearly.

Rachel Torp - September 17, 2013 at 12:12 PM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this sad time. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Sandy Sparks - September 17, 2013 at 09:26 AM

MH

“ I am so sorry for your loss of Eric. Thoughts and prayers for comfort to you.

Marcia Hammar - September 17, 2013 at 01:24 AM

JS

“ We were so sorry to hear about Eric. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Rick & Kim, and the entire Draper Family.

Julie Seguin - September 16, 2013 at 09:38 PM

LA

“ To Kim and the rest of Eric's family: May God be with you at this time and always. My sincere condolences on your loss.

Lisa Ashcroft - September 16, 2013 at 05:07 PM

SN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sally Raven Nelson - September 16, 2013 at 01:21 PM

MH

“ *There are no words to comfort all of Eric's family and friends. We must turn our pain over to God and ask for his guidance through this difficult time. Eric will never be forgotten. May peace be with you, Rick, Kim, Nate, Katy, Jake and all of Eric's family.*

Melanie Hall - September 16, 2013 at 09:17 AM