



Derek Andrew Daugherty

October 30, 1987 - July 27, 2019

Derek Andrew Daugherty, 31 of Bluffton passed away on Saturday, July 27, 2019.

Derek was born on October 30, 1987 in Bluffton to Chris and Tammi (Christianson) Daugherty.

A 2006 graduate of Southern Wells High School, Derek earned a B.S in Fine Arts from Indiana University. He was a very talented artist, enjoyed a simple lifestyle, the outdoors and his dog, Bane.

Derek is survived by his parents, Chris & Tammi of Bluffton, a sister, Stephanie (Brian) Van Houten of Churubusco, In, along with 3 nieces & nephews; Alexis Beck, Noah Beck and Kade Van Houten. He is also survived by his grandparents, Lynn & Mary Daugherty of Warren and Donna Bradley of Bluffton.

Calling hours will be held from 2 to 8 on Thursday at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral services will be held at 10 A.M. on Friday (August 2, 2019) at the funeral home, with calling for one hour prior to the service. Pastor Steve Surbaugh will officiate.

Memorials may be made in Derek's memory to the Wells County Animal Shelter or the Humane Society.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Visitation

AUG 2. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Service

AUG 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Derek Andrew Daugherty*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 01, 2019 at 01:31 PM

KA

So much love and so many memories. You will be missed Derek! Fly high and spread your wings Derek!!

Kim Ameter - August 03, 2019 at 09:40 AM



“ *Derek Andrew Daugherty*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM

KF

“ *One year! It doesn't seem real! Still, not a day goes by, that I don't think of you. REST EASY, DEREK ANDREW! *if you're a bird, I'm a bird**

To Derek's family-I pray you find rest in knowing he is so thought of so very much.

Kelly F - June 27, 2020 at 05:10 PM

K(

Soooooo. I'm a blonde, what can I say?!? I definitely know the anniversary of your heartbreaking death....but I'm an airhead....and for some reason I thought last month was July 27....I MISS YOU!

Tomorrow is going to be hard for me!!!! I wrote a poem about you today (it's not the first). Mourning you and grieving your death still....not one single day has gone by I've not thought of you. I go on bike rides and sing along to the song that I have dedicated to you. I cry, not as much as I used to, but I still cry. YOU WERE ONE OF A KIND. I have so many questions I am sure will forever go unanswered. WHY?!? My goodness, WHY?!?

Kelly aka YOUR PUDDIN'

My heart hurts!

kelly f (nunley) - July 26, 2020 at 09:04 PM

KF

“ *Derek-Where do I start. My heart still hurts. I still can't wrap my mind around you being gone. I listen to Thrive, Black Honey. It has new meaning now. I'll never forget the night we sat at the park and you had me listen to that song and you saying it best explained you. I had you listen to NF, Beautiful. Your voice plays over and over in my mind. I'll never forget you. I remember our last visit, standing in your living room, swaying back and forth, as you imitate the movie, The Notebook when they are dancing in the road to no music so he makes music for them. Oh, Lord, come quickly in healing my heart. I miss you, Derek Andrew! There's not a day that goes by that I don't think of you: My Pillow commercial, "not my Nintendo", etc.*

- Kelly

To Derek's family- I'm thinking of you greatly through this time of the year. Tammi, I hurt for you. You loved that boy so incredibly much. May the good Lord hold you closely through these times. God bless each and every one of you.

- Kelly

Kelly F - December 04, 2019 at 02:52 AM

KF

Aka your puddin ;)

Kelly F - December 15, 2019 at 06:17 PM

KF

Lord, will my heart ever heal from this tragedy? I wonder. I come visit this page more than I would ever admit.

Yesterday I was in Walmart and a guy turned the corner, we were face to face. Without hesitation I started crying and said out loud, "My Lord, that looks just like Derek". This strangers smile was Derek's. I hurried to get away from him, not being able to walk fast enough. I turned around and the tears fell from my eyes even more, he stood just like Derek. I had to leave the store....my heart broke all over again, into a million pieces.

If anyone reads this I'm sure they will sigh in disbelief that I'm dealing with this so poorly, but it's true. I miss you beyond words! Never will I ever forget you. Lord, heal all hearts still broken over this man being gone way too soon. Amen.

Kelly F - January 10, 2020 at 06:38 PM

JB

“*Tammi, I was so sad to learn of your son's death. My heart aches for you and your family. I'm praying that God will bless and comfort all of you as only He can.*

*Sincerely,
Janet Belcher*

Janet Belcher - August 02, 2019 at 11:59 AM



“*Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



August 02, 2019 at 01:26 AM

RH

“ So very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Rita Hecht

Rita Hecht - August 01, 2019 at 08:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.



August 01, 2019 at 05:46 PM

BL

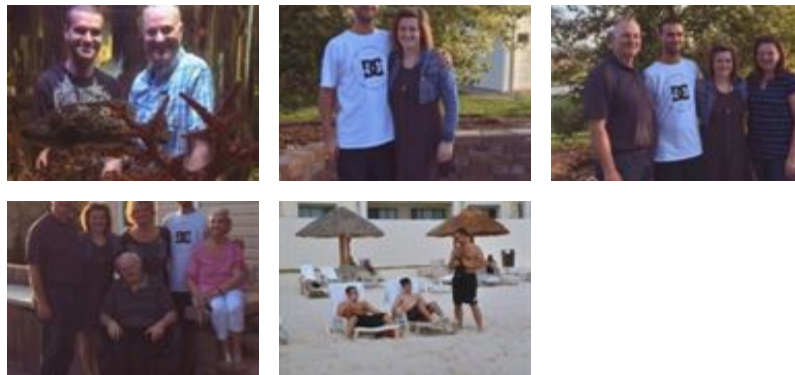
“ Steph & Family...

So sorry for your loss of Derek. May the good Lord wrap his loving arms around each and every one of you.

Ben & Rebeccah Liechty - August 01, 2019 at 02:33 PM



“ 153 files added to the album LifeTributes



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - July 31, 2019 at 04:36 PM

TD

“ *The Drayer Family; Kellams, Swinefords, Drayers purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



The Drayer Family; Kellams, Swinefords, Drayers - July 30, 2019 at 08:40 PM

KF

“ *So very sorry for your loss. Kathy*

Kathy Fiechter - July 30, 2019 at 08:37 PM

PS

“ *Peggy Singleton purchased the Garden Accent Stone - “It Broke My Heart to Lose You” for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



Peggy Singleton - July 30, 2019 at 05:08 PM

MP

“ *So sorry! Prayers for peace, comfort, and strength! Hugs.*

Martha Poling - July 30, 2019 at 04:43 PM

BL

“ *Bill and Brenda LaSalle purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



Bill and Brenda LaSalle - July 30, 2019 at 01:37 PM

YF

“ *Your Nesco Family purchased the Lovely One Sp
athiphyllum Plant for the family of Derek Andrew
Daugherty.*



Your Nesco Family - July 30, 2019 at 11:59 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



July 29, 2019 at 09:06 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of
Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



July 29, 2019 at 07:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



July 29, 2019 at 06:56 PM

FT

“ From Aunt Ginger, Roger, Todd, and Troy purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.



From Aunt Ginger, Roger, Todd, and Troy - July 29, 2019 at 06:10 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.



July 29, 2019 at 05:23 PM

RF

“ Rob Troxel, Adriene Horn & The PTR Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.



Rob Troxel, Adriene Horn & The PTR Family - July 29, 2019 at 02:49 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.



July 29, 2019 at 01:57 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



July 29, 2019 at 01:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Derek Andrew Daugherty.*



July 29, 2019 at 09:42 AM