

Derrick Wayne Sieting

December 7, 1980 - January 2, 2025

Derrick Wayne Sieting, 44, of Kalkaska, passed away on January 2nd, 2025. Derrick was born in Traverse City on December 7th, 1980, to Julie Anne (Sieting) Wagenschutz and David Wayne Schavey. He is survived by both his parents, his younger brother, Drew Wagenschutz, of Mancelona, and Drew's daughter, Annebelle.

Derrick attended Kalkaska High School and planned to pursue a college degree in marketing and design. He was an accomplished sketch artist. He enlisted in United States Army in 2002 and served two tours of duty in Iraq, achieving the rank of Sergeant E5. Derrick earned multiple decorations and awards for his service and was honorably discharged in 2006.

Derrick was pursuing his college education in 2007, when he was diagnosed with a brain tumor. The next seventeen years of his life were spent in the battle against this cancer. Despite the many challenges and disabilities connected with his illness, Derrick displayed a tremendous strength of will and fortitude. He spent time working with volunteer organizations, especially Habitat for Humanity and the Father Fred Foundation. Derrick was deeply concerned for the hungry and the homeless, and he often contributed his resources to improving the lives of those in need. His generosity, his sense of humor, and his appreciation for strong human connection uplifted him in times of trial and set a wonderful example for those who are left behind. The loss of Derrick is deeply felt by his surviving grandmothers, and his many aunts, uncles, and cousins in both the U.S and in Canada. He was truly the beloved

of his family.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, June 28th beginning at 11AM, at Boardman Township cemetery, with a luncheon to follow. Memorial contributions in memory of Derrick should be directed to the Father Fred Foundation at 826 Hastings Street, Traverse City, MI 49686.

Please visit www.kalkaskafuneralhome.com to visit Derrick's tribute page and share a memory with his family.

Cemetery Details

Boardman Township Cemetery

4668 Boardman River Rd SW
South Boardman, MI

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PE

“ *Loved his smile, laugh, and big hugs he gave. Forever will be missed.*

Pam Eubank - January 09, 2025 at 05:44 PM

AN

“ *It was an honor and a privilege to know Derrick. His inclination towards service to others and his kind hearted nature will be a lasting inspiration to the many people that knew him. Part of his legacy lives on in the magnitude of his sacrifice, which will not soon be forgotten. Godspeed D.*

Andrew - January 09, 2025 at 03:26 PM

GL

“ *So sorry ,Derrick Thank you for your service RIP*

Gloria - January 08, 2025 at 08:09 PM

GB

“ *My sincere condolences to Derrick's family & snowball. I had the privilege of taking care of him & gaining a friendship with him. He will be deeply missed.*

Geri

Geri Bester - January 08, 2025 at 03:24 PM

DT

“ *My condolence to you and your family's thank you Derek for your services may you rest in peace*

Debra Thomas - January 07, 2025 at 05:18 PM

LS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Kent and Linda Sieting

Linda Sieting - January 07, 2025 at 05:01 PM

MD

“ I'm forever grateful that I got to help you and gain your friendship. You will forever be missed... your favorite caregiver 🥺 Marcia

Marcia Downs - January 07, 2025 at 03:12 PM

DN

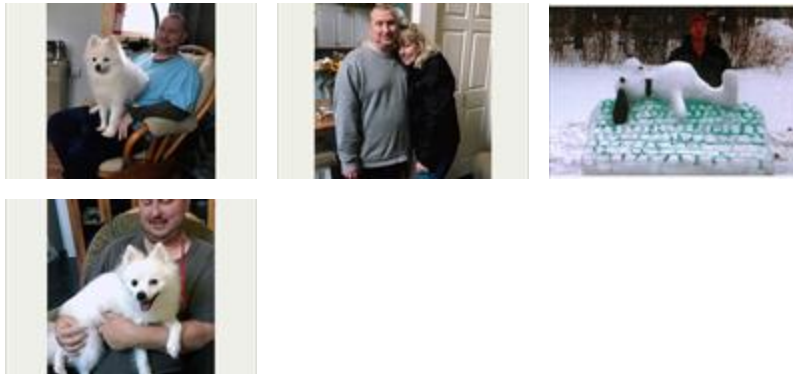
“ Deborah Newell lit a candle in memory of Derrick Sieting



Deborah Newell - January 07, 2025 at 02:46 PM



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