



## Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine

June 30, 1999 - December 30, 2022

Ryan Christian Guerrero, 23, of Palatine, died peacefully at JourneyCare Hospice surrounded by his mom, dad and brother.

Ryan was a Kirk School graduate in 2018 and 2021. He was a devout attendee at NWSRA's summer Camp Connections. He loved to watch Catholic Masses on TV, Brady Bunch, Price is Right and Supermarket Sweep. Ryan was never seen without his speaker playing his favorite songs. His genuine smile and laugh was contagious. He made (and will continue to make) a positive impact on the lives of more people than we will ever know.

Loving son of Christian and Cynthia Guerrero; devoted brother of Joseph Guerrero; cherished grandson of Roger (Rosalie) Baum, the late Mary Lou Baum, Luis and Iris Guerrero and great grandson of John Markay and the late Virginia Baum; beloved nephew and godson of Tony (Malin) Guerrero and Kathryn Loughran; fond cousin of Shane Loughran, Dylan Loughran, Colin Loughran, Kailey Loughran, Kieran Loughran, Annika Guerrero.

Visitation will be on Friday, January 6, 2023 from 3:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169, and visitation on Saturday, January 7, 2023 from 8:00 A.M. until time of prayers at 9:00 A.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 A.M. at St. Theresa Catholic Church, 455 N. Benton St, Palatine, IL 60067.

If you are unable to attend the Mass in person but would like to attend virtually please [CLICK HERE \(https://youtu.be/nqtaA1a6CbM\)](https://youtu.be/nqtaA1a6CbM) .

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a charity of your choice.

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos. For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444.

For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences to the family, please click on the link above and you can leave the family a message, with the share a memory link. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card to the Family, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o The Family. We will gladly forward it on.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Cemetery in Palatine

1185 West Algonquin Road  
Palatine, IL 60067  
(847) 397-3284  
<http://www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/locations.php?cem=38>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials  
2550 Hassell Road  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169  
(847) 752-6444  
[ross@morizzofuneralhome.com](mailto:ross@morizzofuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.morizzofuneralhome.com>

## Final Viewing and Prayers

JAN 7. 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM (CT)

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## **Mass of Christian Burial**

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JAN 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Theresa Catholic Church in Palatine  
455 North Benton Street  
Palatine, IL 60067  
(847) 358-7760  
<http://www.sttheresachurch.org/>

# Tribute Wall

AR

“ Deeply loved by his mother, Ryan was someone I deeply resonated with, given my brother also had special needs. May he rest in paradise, and may god continue to bless him and his family. His story will truly be taught and remembered forever ❤️🕊️



armine - January 20, 2023 at 02:24 PM

J(

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I got to know Ryan as one of his paras at Sandburg. He was such a genuine guy with a delightfully sneaky sense of humor and smile.

Jessie Lee (Baird) - January 19, 2023 at 08:51 PM

JM

“ Dear Guerrero Family, I am so sorry to hear of precious Ryan's passing. I know what a light in your life he was and will remain. Please accept my most sincere condolences and prayers.

Judy Mascolino - January 08, 2023 at 06:12 PM

NM

“ I was one of the nurses who cared for Ryan as a baby in the NICU and I still remember your lovely family. I'm so very sorry for the loss of your handsome young man. You are all in my heart.

Nancy Marando - January 07, 2023 at 07:20 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



January 07, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



January 06, 2023 at 02:33 PM



“ *We're so sorry for your heartache. Ryan was a good friend of Courtney's at Kirk and at Camp Connections. Thought I'd share these good memories.*



**Gail Koshgarian** - January 06, 2023 at 01:39 PM



“ *Kelly Hansen D220 purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



**Kelly Hansen D220** - January 06, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ Jennifer Robinson & The Robinson Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.



Jennifer Robinson & The Robinson Family - January 06, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.



January 05, 2023 at 05:30 PM



“ 9 files added to the album Life Tributes



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - January 05, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



January 05, 2023 at 12:20 PM



“ *Eternal rest grant unto Ryan, O Lord, let perpetual light shine on him.  
May his soul and all souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, Rest In Peace*

**Mark Markwell** - January 05, 2023 at 08:12 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



January 04, 2023 at 11:38 AM



“ *Mary Weinberg/ Becky Zitella Families purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.*



**Mary Weinberg/ Becky Zitella Families** - January 04, 2023 at 10:22 AM

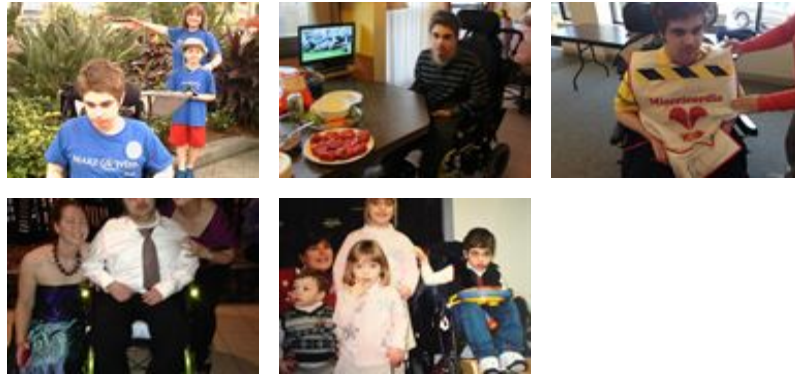
EV

“ It was a joy and a gift to see Ryan grow from a young boy receiving his First Holy Communion to a young man. He holds a special place in many hearts.

Elizabeth Vogt - January 03, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ 145 files added to the album LifeTributes



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - January 03, 2023 at 12:21 PM

LC

“ Cindy & Chris - Ryan was a special gift to your family and you have been the most dedicated and loving parents. My heart goes out to all of you at this difficult time. Sending prayers and love, Linda and Rich Christensen

Linda Christensen - January 03, 2023 at 08:14 AM

JS

“ We have such fond memories of the Guerrero Family over the years at our annual parade parties! Often the parade participants would stop as Ryan sat curbside, so drawn to him. It has been inspiring to know Cindy, Chris, Ryan and Joseph as a family rich in their faith and advocates for all children with special needs. Our deepest sympathies in this loss! Love you all, Janet & Gary



Janet Schultz - January 02, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ Ryan was in the class I student taught in 11 years ago. He is one of the reasons I enjoyed the placement so much! Ry Guy was always my buddy! He will always hold a special place in my heart! 💜



Carrie Farmer - January 02, 2023 at 05:34 PM

CP

“ I will miss you so much Ryan! Ry had an unforgettable impact on my life. I'll love you forever my big guy. My sincere condolences Mrs Guerrero, Mr Guerrero and Joseph.



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**Carolyn Paxson** - January 02, 2023 at 02:37 PM

DM

“ Dale, Sheryl, Melanie (Chris) & Melissa purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Ryan Christian Guerrero of Palatine.



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**Dale, Sheryl, Melanie (Chris) & Melissa** - January 02, 2023 at 09:51 AM

BW

“ We met Ryan and the Guerrero’s at a Clearbrook parent respite night when Ryan and my son, Corey, were around 4 years old. That was 19 years ago. Our boys were among the “boys of 1999” as they were called in district 15. I attended Cindy’s support group for parents, and we shared stories about going to Joni and Friends. When we thought we were through the hardest part, Ryan got his next diagnosis of chronic vomiting and Corey his seizure disorder. We shared the journey and said goodbye to Kiki together. We were so sad together when Patti VanDeHey left Sanborn but were comforted when we got Kristy OBrill as her replacement. We passed Chris at therapy appointments and cheered each other on when one of the boys shined brightly... like Ryan’s confirmation. Now I’m in Florida with my three kids and can’t get back until after Ryan’s services. Every time I look at Corey I think how are we gonna do this without Ryan? I called a friend with a special needs son and told her about Ryan and she even cried for Ryan and his family. And that’s how it is with us. It’s like our lives are so different that our connections grow fast and strong as we help each other over the next hurdle or around the next blockade. I dream of a day when we sit in a circle in heaven and watch our boys run and jump and dance for us...Oh how heaven’s promises give me hope.

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**Beth Frye Williams** - January 02, 2023 at 12:59 AM

TG

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



**Tony Guerrero** - January 01, 2023 at 06:12 PM

RE

“ It goes without say that Ryan was a huge part of my life. You are an angel without a doubt, Ryan. Thank you for being a bright light in my life. You'll always have a special place in my heart. Sending love and comfort to the Guerrero family. I love you all dearly.



**Richard Edwards** - January 01, 2023 at 05:45 PM

JD

“ Praying for peace, comfort and joyful memories in the days ahead.



Julie Dooley - January 01, 2023 at 05:39 PM

LB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Larry Baum - January 01, 2023 at 05:35 PM

LB

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Larry Baum - January 01, 2023 at 04:10 PM

NW

“ Fly high Ry guy. I will miss you so much. Sending love and comfort to the whole Guerrero family!!  
-Natalie Wojtowicz and family



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**Natalie Wojtowicz** - January 01, 2023 at 03:29 PM

NU

*I was so sorry to hear of Ryan's passing. I know from experience what it means to lose a special child. They are all angels now. I pray for strength and comfort for your family. May the many happy memories of Ryan carry you throughout this time. Nancy MacDonald Uggla from the Clearbrook CHILD program.*

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**Nancy MacDonald Uggla** - January 06, 2023 at 02:34 PM