



Matthew Michael Hart

April 14, 1987 - December 24, 2024

Matthew Michael Hart, age 37, beloved son of Richard and Theresa passed away unexpectedly after a brief illness on December 24, 2024. Matt was born April 14, 1987 to Richard and Theresa (Smith) Hart. He was smart, witty, kindhearted, and a friend to anyone he met. He cared deeply for others and would give up anything he had to help someone else. He had a special love for his sister, Jenna, and would not go a day without telling his family that he loved them. We were so blessed to have our entire family living in the same house and caring for Matt during his illness. We will be forever grateful for that time with him.

While attending Charlotte High School, Matt was a very talented trombonist and first chair in the Symphony Band. He studied under the direction of Ava Ordman at Michigan State University. After high school, Matt attended Lansing Community College and graduated at the top of his class in the Paralegal Program.

Above all else, Matt was the most wonderful and loving son that a parent could ask for. He loved unconditionally and strongly and was always the first to apologize if he thought he had wronged you in any way. He will be missed beyond measure and the world will never be the same without him in it.

Matt is survived by his parents, Richard and Theresa (Smith) Hart; loving sister whom he adored, Jenna Hart; grandmother, Shirley Hart; aunts and uncles, Gary and Kathie (Smith) Ayotte, Ed and Deborah Smith, Jeff and D'Lynn Smith, and Carl and Cathy (Hart) Anderson, and many loving cousins.

He is also survived by his wonderful neighbor friends, Scott and Chris, numerous other friends, and constant companion, his cat, Jack. Matt was preceded in death by his grandparents, Walter Smith, Joan Smith, and Papa Gene Hart.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to New Hope Pet Rescue or an animal rescue of your choice. Pets were very near and dear to Matt's heart. Family and friends are invited to a visitation on Wednesday, January 1, 2025, 1-4:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Memories of Matt can be shared on his tribute page at www.PrayFuneral.com <<http://www.PrayFuneral.com>>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 1. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W Seminary St
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew Michael Hart



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - December 31, 2024 at 06:33 PM

NH

Thank you for sharing beautiful memories of Matt with family and friends.

Nancy Hindenach - December 31, 2024 at 10:52 PM

GS

“ Matt was an excellent trombonist. He played 1st chair trombone in the Charlotte Symphony Band. He will be remembered.

Gary Sullivan - February 24, 2025 at 04:00 PM

NH

“ As already noted, we remember Matt as smart and quick-witted, and we also remember Matt's genuine smile, kindness and friendship as well as his talents as a musician. We will remember Matt.

Nancy Hindenach - December 31, 2024 at 11:04 PM

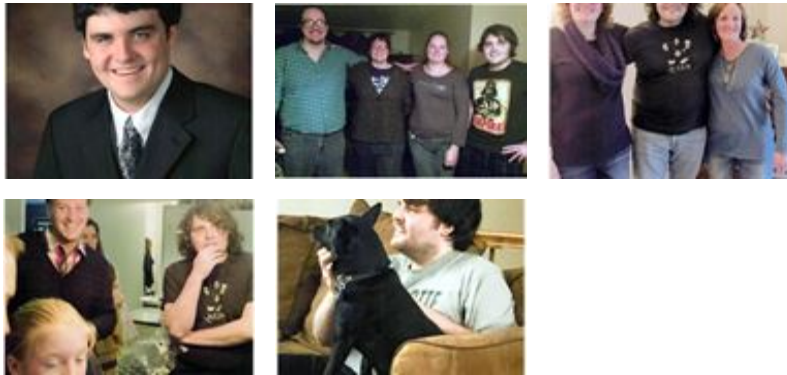
RT

Matt was one of the most wonderful friends I've ever had and I will remember that friendship everyday. He was one in a million.

Racheal Teachout - January 16, 2025 at 12:41 PM



“ 75 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - December 31, 2024 at 01:29 PM

SF

“ *Smith and Beall Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Michael Hart.*

Smith and Beall Family - December 31, 2024 at 10:25 AM

SF

“ *Smith and Beall Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Matthew Michael Hart.*



Smith and Beall Family - December 31, 2024 at 10:25 AM

SC

“ My prayers are with you during the loss of Matt I am gonna miss him a lot I am so sorry for the loss.



scott crandall - December 30, 2024 at 12:18 PM

HD

“ Thinking of you Rich and Teresa and Jenna and Shirley.. we are so sorry.. sending prayers and please know we care! Troy and Heather Dilly

Heather Dilly - December 29, 2024 at 07:30 PM

CW

“ Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Matthew Michael Hart



Chad & Carol Walker - December 29, 2024 at 09:21 AM

KP

“ Rich and Theresa I'm so sorry for your loss.

Ken Powelson - December 28, 2024 at 01:35 PM

BN

“ Rich, Theresa, Jenna and family , I am deeply heartbroken for you over the loss of Mathew. God Speed. Hugs, love and prayers sent to you all ❤️🙏

Brenda Newman - December 27, 2024 at 09:24 PM

SS

“ *Rich, Theresa, Jenna and Family,*

You are in our thoughts and prayers. We are so sorry for your lo

Sally & Bob Starkweather - December 27, 2024 at 04:51 PM

JK

“ *We are heartbroken for you in the loss of Matthew. Many prayers as you walk this difficult journey. May God sustain you with His love, and may the good memories help you get through the days ahead.*

Julia & Meagan Keeley

Julia Keeley - December 27, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Nguyễn Th?o - December 27, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ *He passed away far too soon. I am truly sorry for your loss. As an artist, I hope this painting comforts his family during this difficult time.*



Nguyễn Th?o - December 27, 2024 at 10:59 AM

VA

“ Prayers for the family ❤️.

valli - December 27, 2024 at 12:44 AM

DT

“ Rich, Theresa, Jenna, Shirley and family, JoNesta and I are devastated by this news. Please, know that we are praying for your family during this time of terrible heartache.
Dale Thompson

Dale I Thompson - December 26, 2024 at 09:02 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Matthew Michael Hart.



December 26, 2024 at 05:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Matthew Michael Hart.

December 26, 2024 at 05:39 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Matthew Michael Hart.



December 26, 2024 at 05:39 PM

LK

“ I did not know Matthew, however I did know Shirley Hart from Calvary Baptist and Michael Hart from the family who passed from a ski accident when he was young. Matthew looks just like Michael. My heart goes out to the family.

Linda Koos - December 26, 2024 at 05:16 PM