



David Lawrence "D.J." Bryant III

July 26, 1995 - January 15, 2022

RICHMOND, Ind. – On July 26, 1995, a beautiful baby boy was brought into this world by David Bryant and Christina Henry. He was given the name David Lawrence Bryant III. The second he was born, David was a ray of light. He never cried, no matter how sick he was or if he didn't get his way. David always smiled. Even when he was hospitalized at three months old for RSV, there was always a smile on his face. David had the ability to adjust to bad situations and make them good. For example, one time his brother and he were grounded from their toys and were told to do something creative. So, they got a pad of paper, drew soldiers, cut them out, and played army with them. This played a role later in his short life.

David always saw the silver lining in everything. He never thought of someone as a bad person, just a person who needed help. David also never gave up on anyone, and there was never a one last chance. He was able to draw out the best in everyone and every situation. When David developed some medical issues in his mid-teens, he just brushed them off. They were nothing, and they weren't going to stop him from reaching his goals.

Then on February 9, 2017, the greatest day of David's life happened. His son, David Lawrence Bryant IV, was born. The smile on his face was equivalent to every smile combined up to that point in his life. At that moment, he was no longer D.J. He was Daddy! Being a father came easy to him because he'd been a father figure to his friends and family. David looked out for everyone and put himself secondary. There are a bunch of pictures and videos of D.J. and his son that everyone has seen, but they don't do justice to their relationship. They were together every second, it's just how the two of them were. His son was his world. Then, a couple of years ago, David began having epileptic seizures. This tortured him, not because he was worried about his health, but because it took away his freedom to do things with his son. As always, he adapted and realized it wasn't about going and taking Dee places, but about just being together. It was so enjoyable watching the two of them be together.

Unfortunately, on the morning of January 15, 2022, David left this world. We lost an

amazing son, a kind grandson, a wonderful brother, a caring family member, the best friend anyone could have, the biggest Los Angeles Rams fan, and, most important of all, “The Greatest Daddy Ever”.

Visitation for David Lawrence “D.J.” Bryant III will be from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, January 23, 2022, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond. Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, January 24, 2022, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home. Burial will be in Abington Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the guest book at www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery

Abington Cemetery

4790 Pottershop Road
Centerville, IN,

Events

JAN **Visitation** 02:00PM - 05:00PM

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JAN **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Doan & Mills Funeral Home - January 21 at 05:22 PM



“ The video tribute was so moving and beautiful. One can see all the love and fun the family was sharing with one another. I'm sure that it is very sad to see all these memories and know all the missed memories that will never be. So sorry that D.J. life was cut short but he lived everyday to the fullest. That we can appreciate. Prayers and love to the family. xoxo aunt fanny

Fanny Marshall - January 22 at 09:07 PM



“ We are so sorry for you loss. We can't even begin to imagine how your heart has been broken. Our thoughts and prayers have been going up for you since we heard, and still will continue as you move forward from today. Love Joe Wigger and Julie Neaveill

julie neaveill - January 24 at 07:55 AM



“ David was very funny I worked with him and he would hide behind a door and scare the heck out of me by grabbing my back at the quietest moment he was always laughing and smiling and enjoyed getting pranked and joking with others his smile lit up a room

Danielle Lawson - January 23 at 04:40 PM



“ Praying for this family and his sweet boy. He looked like such a great kid and I know he was everything to his momma and family. Praying for understanding and strength for the days ahead.



Jackie Woodruff - January 22 at 11:25 PM



“ Even when we cannot, love finds its way. We hope you can find peace in beautiful memories. We are so very sorry for your loss. Love, Joe, Tonya & Brad Dale

Tonya Dale - January 22 at 12:18 PM



“ Such a great guy!! What a terrible loss Kind and always gushing over his son....Prayers for the family,

Carl Gay - January 22 at 04:52 AM



“ 51 files added to the album LifeTributes



Doan & Mills Funeral Home - January 21 at 05:22 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. I'm sure he was a wonderful young man! You'll see him again in glory.

With All Our Love,
Richard&Cindy

Cindy Durham - January 21 at 04:27 PM



“ DJ would be like Hailey get to class I love you DG

Hailey Poynter - January 21 at 08:41 AM



“ I love you cousin. You were always in my corner. I'll miss you lots <3

Lexi - January 20 at 08:21 PM



“ With deepest sympathy and prayers for the family, I hope that God gives you peace knowing that D.J. no longer has to suffer. My most vivid memories of D.J are during his high school years playing football with my sons. They all became best friends and graduated together. I am happy that he and my daughter brought a beautiful baby boy into this world to carry on his name. You will never be forgotten and thank you for being the best father to little D.

Rest In Heaven,
Lisa Mitchell

Lisa Mitchell - January 20 at 12:50 PM



“ I'll always remember his smile! Love Ya D !

Uncle Bud & Aunt Norma - January 20 at 11:13 AM



“ such a good guy, gone too soon <3 r.i.h dj



tiffany - January 20 at 10:50 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Gary Brown and the Staff of Doan & Mills - January 20 at 09:17 AM