



Kain Mendez

August 5, 2003 - February 21, 2020

Kain Mendez, age 16, of Schaller, Iowa died Friday, February 21, 2020 in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Storm Lake. Visitation will take place on Friday, March 6, 2020 from 4:00-10:00 p.m. at the CHURCH. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Kain Mendez was born August 5, 2003 in Storm Lake, Iowa the son of Tiffany Hefner and Benjamin Mendez Jr.

Growing up, he attended school in Storm Lake where he was currently a sophomore at Storm Lake High School where he enjoyed playing varsity wrestling and junior varsity football.

In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing and camping with his grandpa and grandma. Kain was very athletic and enjoyed playing sports and working out or exercising. Kain treasured spending time with his many friends and family. He will be lovingly remembered as a son, brother, grandson, cousin, classmate and friend. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his parents: Tiffany Hefner-Nunez of Schaller, Iowa and Benjamin Mendez Jr. of Storm Lake, Iowa; siblings: Ivan, Hennessy, Bianca, Lucia, and Paris; grandparents: Earl and Tracy Whetstone; Angelina Miranda Mendez and Benjamin R. Mendez; aunts and uncles: Justin (Nicole) Whetstone; Cory (Shelby) Vogel; Luis (Zayra) Mendez; Jesus A. Mendez; cousins; extended family; classmates and many friends.

Kain was preceded in death by his great grandparents: Doris Hefner Leshner; Loren Hefner; Meryl and Esther Whetstone; Javier Miranda; Maria Elena Rodriguez; Benjamin G. Mendez; great aunts: Jody Clark and Lynne Hefner.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake
320 Seneca Street
Storm Lake, IA

Service

MAR 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake
320 Seneca Street
Storm Lake, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Baker lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Rose Baker - March 09, 2020 at 05:32 PM



“ *White Sympathy Baskets was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.*



March 06, 2020 at 11:20 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - March 05, 2020 at 04:05 PM

JS

“ Sorry to hear of Kain's passing. My heart goes out to the family. May the good lord comfort you during this difficult time. Cherish the memories you have. Though it may be difficult, time heals all wounds. I will always remember Kain playing a football. He just kept running, and they couldn't stop him. I picture him now on the gridiron above. RIP.

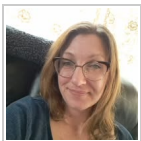
Jason Stoltzfus - March 05, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ Red & White Satin Cross Casket Pillow was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.



March 05, 2020 at 11:39 AM



“ Jessica Huss lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Jessica Huss - March 05, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.



March 05, 2020 at 10:05 AM

WF

“ With love, Serrano-Rangel Family purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of Kain Mendez.



With love, Serrano-Rangel Family - March 04, 2020 at 03:52 PM

DW

“ Doris Wiley lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Doris Wiley - March 04, 2020 at 01:16 PM

TN

“ Tammy Nepple lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Tammy Nepple - March 04, 2020 at 11:02 AM



“ Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.



March 04, 2020 at 07:35 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White* was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.



March 04, 2020 at 12:22 AM



“ *Lisa Ann Shepherd purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Floor Basket* for the family of Kain Mendez.



Lisa Ann Shepherd - March 03, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ *Gable Gift Box* was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.



March 03, 2020 at 09:48 PM



“ *Jodi And Alex Rojas lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Jodi and Alex Rojas - March 03, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *Tami McIntosh lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Tami McIntosh - March 03, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Kain Mendez.*



March 03, 2020 at 08:38 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - March 03, 2020 at 07:14 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.*

Jeanie Miller

Jeanie Miller - March 03, 2020 at 07:12 PM

LS

“ *Leslie Serrano lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Leslie Serrano - March 03, 2020 at 05:00 PM

SA

“ *SALUD lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



SALUD - March 03, 2020 at 01:30 PM

BO

“ *Bernie Ann Onnen lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Bernie Ann Onnen - March 02, 2020 at 11:22 AM

HH

“ *Heather Hansgaard lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Heather Hansgaard - February 28, 2020 at 01:54 PM

CS

“ *Thoughts and Prayers to Family of Kain.*



Colleen Swanson - February 28, 2020 at 12:15 PM

KP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your extended family. We really enjoyed Kain when he came to the campground to visit his grandparents. He was always a polite and courteous young man. We will miss his frequent visits and his excitement when he went fishing. May God hold you in the palms of his hands as you go through this terrible time.*

Kim and Susan Piercy

Kim Piercy - February 28, 2020 at 10:59 AM

BO

“ *Beth Overmohle lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Beth Overmohle - February 27, 2020 at 06:55 PM

PG

“ Peg Grundmeier lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Peg Grundmeier - February 27, 2020 at 10:11 AM

ES

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Espinoza - February 27, 2020 at 02:19 AM

HS

“ Heather Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Heather Sanchez - February 26, 2020 at 05:14 PM

TM

“ Tyson Fresh Meats Maintenance lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Tyson Fresh Meats Maintenance - February 26, 2020 at 11:28 AM

FC

“ *Family Dental Center lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Family Dental Center - February 26, 2020 at 09:25 AM

AC

“ *Audrey Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Audrey Carpenter - February 25, 2020 at 05:25 PM

FC

“ *We wish we had the words to comfort all of you in this time of unimaginable pain and sorrow. God will help you find your way through all of the prayers being said and through your family and friends. God Bless Kain..... and all of you.*

Family Dental Center - February 25, 2020 at 04:50 PM

SC

“ *Shannon And Tiffany Crum lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez*



Shannon and Tiffany Crum - February 25, 2020 at 01:04 PM

AK

“ Angie Kutz sent a virtual gift in memory of Kain Mendez



Angie Kutz - February 25, 2020 at 11:26 AM

PG

“ WE DID NOT KNOW KAIN, BUT WE OFFER OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF THIS YOUNG BOY. MAY GOD HAVE MERCY ON HIM, & GIVE PEACE TO THOSE OF FAMILY. MAY HE RIP. PEACE, PATTY GUNVILLE



PATTY GUNVILLE - February 25, 2020 at 11:11 AM

AL

“ Angie Lopez lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Angie Lopez - February 25, 2020 at 10:55 AM

CB

“ Chad, Peggy, Cole Bloyer lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



Chad, Peggy, Cole Bloyer - February 25, 2020 at 10:27 AM

KP

“ Karla Pickhinke lit a candle in memory of Kain Mendez



karla pickhinke - February 24, 2020 at 08:21 PM

KP

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Kim and Susan Piercy*

Kim Piercy - February 28, 2020 at 10:52 AM

MR

Mis bendiciones para su mamá tiff e familia los conocí en California desde el primer momento que me plesento esa hermosa carita de mi corazón kain desde ese momento lo amé con todo mi corazón California está muy triste un mi corazón

Maria Rangel - March 02, 2020 at 05:32 AM

CF

My heart goes out to the family. Time will heal all wounds. May the good lord expedite your pain during this difficult time. Choose to remember Kain's best moments. 5th grade football versus Newell. They still can't stop him! Football in Des Moines versus Sioux City East. 122.9...Most important seeing the tornado in the sky as the sun went down over the grid iron. He's there now, pumping iron, getting huge, ready for the next game. RIP young man. Next one's for you!

Coach Jason Stoltzfus-Muscatine Football - March 03, 2020 at 02:35 PM