



Reed Kenton Rankin

April 27, 1998 - December 29, 2019

Reed Kenton Rankin, age 21, of Fredonia passed away on Sunday, December 29, 2019 at his home. Reed was born on April 27, 1998 in Shawnee Mission, KS, the son of Rustin and Jeanne (DeLay) Rankin.

Reed was a graduate of Fredonia High School class of 2016. He was currently a senior at KU and had just gotten accepted into KU Law School. Reed was an avid history fan, enjoyed reading and collecting Eastern Bloc weaponry. He enjoyed learning different languages and was currently studying Russian for his upcoming trip, and also a huge fan of HP Lovecraft. While in high school, Reed was a Scholars' Bowl Champion 4 years in a row. He was a kind and gentle soul who loved his family and his cats Smokey and Dante'.

Reed is survived by:

Parents:

Rustin and Jeanne Rankin of Fredonia, KS

Siblings:

Ryan Rankin of Fredonia, KS

Jeannette Rankin of Fredonia, KS

Paternal Grandmother:

Avanelle Rankin of Longton, KS

Reed was preceded in death by his grandparents, Richard Rankin and Jack and Karen DeLay.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 3, 2020 at 11:30 AM at Countryside Funeral Home in Fredonia, with cremation to follow. Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 2, 2020 from 4-7 PM at the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com Memorials have been suggested to the Fredonia Pound Pals and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Services are entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 420 S. 20th St., P.O. Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Fredonia
420 S. 20th St.
P.O. Box 247
Fredonia, KS 66736
(620) 378-2882

Service

JAN 3. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CK

“ *My condolences to Reed's family. He was a bright, enthusiastic, and kind student in my Russian class last spring at KU. He was so thoughtful in how he approached learning a very difficult language, and I know that his eternally positive attitude and wonderful sense of humor impacted his classmates and instructors for the better. The Rankin family is in my thoughts.*

Cecilia King - January 08, 2020 at 01:35 PM

JR

“ *Jennifer Reyes lit a candle in memory of Reed Kenton Rankin*



Jennifer Reyes - January 03, 2020 at 01:10 AM

HT

“ *Dearest Jeanne,*

*You and your family are in our heart and mind
There are no words to describe the loss that you and your family
have encountered.
We offer you our love and prayers.
May GOD give REED Eternal Rest, and may HE give you strength
and peace during this sad time.*

My& Sinh (in Ohio)

PS: A gift is sent to the Freedom Pounds Pals in honor of Reed

Helen Sinh Dang and Michel Tran - January 02, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.



January 02, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.



January 02, 2020 at 12:12 AM



“ I always enjoyed his big wave when he was driving the 6715 JD tractor at the farm. I would often see Reed tooling down the farm road hoping to spot an armadillo. The evidence of his successful hunts were everywhere from one field to another. A big young man with a big heart, big smile and always seemed eager to learn. He is removed from us here, but not gone or forgotten.....Longton family friend, Joe Nichols

Joe Nichols - January 01, 2020 at 02:22 PM

MP

“ *Max and I want to share our sincere condolences for Reed. We know how difficult it is to lose a child before we think its time. May God provide you and your family with comfort and grace in the days ahead. We will keep all you in our prayers. Max & Charlotte Payne*



Max & Charlotte Payne - January 01, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.*



January 01, 2020 at 12:06 PM

DC

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Reed's passing. He was kind, polite, and an intelligent young man. I enjoyed his company and re-enacting with him and his brother. Rest in peace my friend. My sympathies to his Family. May God Bless you all. David and Sandra Clark Enid, Ok.*

David Clark - December 31, 2019 at 06:07 PM

JT

“ *We are thinking of you, praying for you & sharing your grief. John & Helen Trainor*

John Trainor - December 31, 2019 at 04:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.*



December 31, 2019 at 01:10 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.*



December 31, 2019 at 11:55 AM



“ *Robin Kathy Haines lit a candle in memory of Reed Kenton Rankin*



Robin Kathy Haines - December 31, 2019 at 09:25 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Reed Kenton Rankin.*



December 31, 2019 at 09:02 AM

MH

“ *Marti Hutton lit a candle in memory of Reed Kenton Rankin*



Marti Hutton - December 31, 2019 at 08:39 AM

AS

“ *To a good friend Gone Too Soon. Man I can't believe it. Reed you were such a young fun loving humorous kind person! In high school you were always quiet but I said hi and you said hi back. From then on we were friends I wish we could have been better friends God bless you're sweet heart reed. I'm praying for you're family. Rest easy big guy you will be missed & forever loved. Sad to see you go.*

Angel swisher - December 30, 2019 at 11:39 PM

KW

“ *I was a teacher of Reed's his senior year. Him and I frequently shared laughs about things happening in the news and he would even email me memes about political topics he thought I'd like. Haven't connected with him since then, but I really enjoyed him as a student. Sending my sincerest sympathies to the family.*

Kasey Winegar - December 30, 2019 at 09:38 PM

Kaley Hildebrand

“ *Reed was a student in my class for one semester. I loved his perspective and wit. I remember him towering over me whenever he stood up. He had a wonderful heart and brilliant mind.*

Kaley Hildebrand - December 30, 2019 at 09:28 PM

KP

“ Watching you and your siblings was such a fun adventure. I thoroughly enjoyed spending those summers and weekends with you and your family. From teaching you how to ride a bike to you teaching me how to make hamburger helper stroganoff, we really had so much fun. I remember the time we decided we would make guacamole so we looked up a recipe and went to the store to get ingredients. We threw all the ingredients in the blender and later found out that the ripeness of the avocados mattered and our hard chunky guacamole was not what we hoped for. I was amazed at your interest in the History channel and your ability to recall all sorts of information. The weapons, transportation, locations and all the minor details of war and various historical things that have taken place blew me away. You loved the history channel so much that when we decided to limit everyone's t.v. time to 30 minutes, you were going to take out the batteries in the remote during Jeanette's time so you could have a longer amount and she couldn't change the channel. I can remember telling you that was cheating and I will never forget your response. You said "I thought cheating only happened in games and marriages". I died laughing and still think about it and laugh because you were so witty. You were very kind and gentle, especially to your dogs at the time (Queenie especially). I have enjoyed watching you from afar succeeding at life like I knew you always would. My thoughts and prayers go to your family, you will be missed dearly.

Kebra Panko - December 30, 2019 at 09:20 PM

SB

“ Shelley Blevins lit a candle in memory of Reed Kenton Rankin



shelley blevins - December 30, 2019 at 06:47 PM

GH

We are very sorry to learn of your son's death. It looks like he accomplished great things in a short time. Our prayers are with you.

Gary and Mary House - January 02, 2020 at 06:58 PM

BR

I am so saddened to learn of such heart-breaking news. Please know I am praying for you and your family. May you find comfort from your friends and knowledge that many others are thinking of you and are ready to help and listen in any way we can.

Bryan Rickman - January 03, 2020 at 10:17 PM

AR

Jeanne and family, Uncle Craig and I are very saddened by the news of Reed's death. While no one can understand or begin to comprehend such a tragedy, we pray that God will comfort you and guide you through this difficult time. "The Lord is my strength and salvation " no matter what situation comes our way. We have missed you children and the family we once knew. May God give you strength day by day. With love, Craig and Anna

Anna Royston - January 06, 2020 at 01:33 PM