

## Ryan Richard Apple

May 10, 1989 - December 6, 2020

It is with deepest sorrow that we announce that Ryan Richard Apple, age 31, our most beloved son, brother, family member and friend crossed over into the arms of Jesus on Sunday, December 6th, 2020. Ryan will be missed every day by his loving father and mother, Louis and Christine Apple, his devoted sister and brother-in-law, Lindsay and Zach Wohrley, and his treasured nephew, Carson Wohrley.

Ryan was a 2007 graduate of Dixon High School where was, indeed, a shining star to the Dixon Dukes basketball team. Ryan loved the game and his teammates - and together, they were a force to be reckoned with! After a hard-fought game on the basketball court, the media often referred to Ryan as "the big Apple". Ryan's love of sports didn't stop with basketball, he was also a member of the Dixon Dukes baseball team where he owned the mound as pitcher. He was also an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan, & enjoyed many St. Louis Cardinals games, even making it to one of the World Series games. As much as Ryan loved sports, his true love was for his family and his friends. Ryan held a very special place in his heart for all his closest friends from Dixon, and a special love for Marie McDermott. Ryan had a zest for life and a quick wit that made him such a joy! Ryan's generous heart was reflected in the way he treated his family and friends, care and compassion were engrained into his very being. Ryan loved to laugh and made sure others did, too! He was an encouragement to those who needed it and never afraid to say "I love you".

Ryan was a dedicated employee, worked hard and never complained. He was a previous employee of Walmart Distribution Center & Mark-Vend Company. He was grateful and appreciative to have a job. Ryan never took life or his family for granted.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Louis Apple, Sr., his maternal grandfather and grandmother, Richard "Dick" and Theresa Walls, his Aunt Debbie Overton and his Uncle Jack Apple.

Ryan is survived by his parents, sister Lindsay (Zach) Wohrley, nephew Carson Wohrley and paternal grandmother Margaret "Peg" Apple of Dixon IL. In addition to his cousins, he is survived by his aunts and uncles, Diane (John) Olsen, Rick Walls, Robin (Dave) Hubler, Dean (Linda) Apple, Julie (Carlos) Zuniga, Dave (Stacy) Apple, Theresa (Marty) Frost, Mary (Rick) Rippeon, Scott (Lisa) Apple, and Chris (Sara) Apple.

We have, indeed, lost a shining light in this world, but if we look to the heavens and find that brightest star, may we always remember the love and light our precious Ryan brought to so many. Rest in peace, our beautiful boy, until we meet again.

Visitation will be at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon, Illinois on Friday December 11th, 2020 from 9am-10:45am, with mass following at St. Patrick Church in Dixon, Illinois at 11:00a.m. All friends & family are welcome to attend. A memorial in Ryan's honor has been established. A celebration of life will be arranged for a later date. Face masks are required at the visitation and service.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon  
204 South Ottawa  
Dixon, IL 61021  
Ph: 815-288-2241  
info@thejonesfh.com  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

## Service

DEC 11. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon  
612 S. Highland Ave.  
Dixon, IL 61021  
(815) 284-7719  
office@stpatrickdixon.comcastbiz.net  
<http://www.stpatrickdixon.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ryan Richard Apple*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Ryan Richard Apple*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to you on the tragic loss of your dear son. Our thoughts and prayers will continue as you face the days ahead. Sincerely, Patty and Dan Hallquist*

**Patty Hallquist** - December 17, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ *I Am That I Am lit a candle in memory of Ryan Richard Apple*



**I am that I am** - December 11, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Mar** - December 11, 2020 at 02:01 PM

CS

“ My sincere condolences to Ryan's family. The love for a child is beyond words. I'm so very sorry.  
Cindy Sambdman

Cindy Sambdman - December 11, 2020 at 12:27 PM

JB

“ Although I did not know Ryan I am forwarding my condolences to his family. I am a first cousin to his grandfather Such a tragic accident.

john bushman - December 11, 2020 at 12:05 PM

EL

“ Please accept our condolences for the loss of your son. We both knew Ryan as a student and athlete at RMS and DHS. No parent should have to endure the pain of the loss of a child. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Elise and Bruce Williams

EliseWilliams - December 11, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



December 10, 2020 at 05:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



December 10, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ Matt & Denise (Matty & DPoo) purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



**Matt & Denise (Matty & DPoo)** - December 10, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ So sorry to here of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your whole family.

**Scott & Brenda Angleton** - December 10, 2020 at 12:32 PM



“ Marie, Momma T & Aunt Barbara purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



**Marie, Momma T & Aunt Barbara** - December 10, 2020 at 11:54 AM

JD

“ Chris, Louie and Family:

*I am deeply sorry for your loss. I hope you feel the love that surrounds you, now and always. Praying for your healing, comfort, strength and peace during this painful time. Thinking of you with sympathy.*

*Jody (Tucker-Garland) Dean*

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**Jody Dean** - December 10, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



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December 10, 2020 at 08:07 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



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December 10, 2020 at 12:37 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.



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December 09, 2020 at 10:03 PM

RH

“ Ryan had a heart of gold and I will miss his laughter and humor. He truly was a special soul. Those who were fortunate enough to have known him are blessed. See you on the other side, my sweet nephew

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**Robin Hubler** - December 09, 2020 at 04:21 PM

MS

“ So Sorry for your young life to be taken so soon. Rest in Peace. You have so much family that loves and misses you.  
- Melissa a friend to the Family

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**Melissa Sawyer** - December 09, 2020 at 03:52 PM

CM

“ One Valentines Day, Ryan presented me with a Valentines Gift because he did not want me to feel left out when he gave my daughter her gift...He asked my daughter what I would want, then he ran to Kohl's to buy me a 3x nightgown, an example of of how thoughtful and caring Ryan was, wanting to make the people he cared about happy ... I still have that nightgown but it is old and thin from all the washings. This world will not be the same without Ryan, but we will meet up again, until then, I will cherish and miss him dearly! I love you Ryan and your amazing family!

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**Carol McDermott** - December 09, 2020 at 12:21 PM

SC

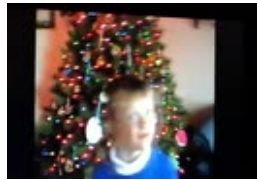
“ My deepest sympathy and condolences to Louis, Christine and family. Words just cannot express my sorrow for you. I've seen Ryan a few times since his high school years. But, I do remember him as a fierce competitor in sports and his lust for life. I watched him grow from a little boy to a young man. I coached Ryan in Dixon, for Junior Tackle football. I chose him as my quarterback and one of my leaders for the team. He excelled at the challenge. I considered him one of "my boys". He always showed me respect and gave me 100% all of the time. Ryan always called me Mister Cox or Coach. He even went as far as to dedicate a game to me, as he yelled out from the field. I tell that story all the time and will never forget! He was a joy to coach and get to know as a person. Yes, he had a big heart and wore it on his sleeve. May the good Lord embrace him and may the family find some peace.

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**Stewart Cox** - December 09, 2020 at 11:49 AM

DO

“ My beautiful nephew is gone way too soon. He was the cutest little boy and such a handsome young man ... always worried more about everyone else than himself. I love you, honey ... in my heart forever.



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**Diane Olsen** - December 09, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



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December 09, 2020 at 09:37 AM



“ *Condolences sent to your family from ours at this difficult time. We are holding you in our prayers. Richard, Doris, Aaron, and Alex Helander*

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**Doris Helander** - December 09, 2020 at 07:31 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



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December 09, 2020 at 05:03 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



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December 08, 2020 at 10:13 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



December 08, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



December 08, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



December 08, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



December 08, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan Richard Apple.*



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December 08, 2020 at 06:33 PM