



Nicholas Adam Mason, at 18 years of life, entered the presence of Heaven to be with his Lord and Savior.

He graduated in May from Lincolnview High School and Vantage Career Center in the Auto Tech program. Nick "Cookie" was a member of the high school wrestling team and was undefeated champion in the heavyweight division in 2009. He was very active in the Slippery Creek Baptist Bible Camp for the past seven summers as a camper, maintenance worker and as a counselor-in-training. He also worked at the DARE Haunted Forest since seventh grade.

After graduating, his dream was to go to Alaska and in June, he fulfilled that dream.

He is survived by his loving parents, Steven A. and Deannalynette Mason; a sister, Rebekahlynette Mason of Winter Haven Fla.; a brother, John S. Mason, who is still in high school and lives at home; his paternal grandparents, Jerry L. and Mary (Wright) Mason of Van Wert; maternal grandparents, Rev. Dennis D. and Delores I. (Nicholes) Rood of Canton; and 12 uncles and aunts, 14 cousins, numerous great uncles and wonderful friends.

He was preceded in death by both his paternal and maternal great grand parents.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Brickner Funeral Home, Van Wert, the Revs. Dennis D. Rood and Ted House officiating. Private family burial will follow in Ridge Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 5-8 p.m. today and one hour prior to services Friday.

Steve asks his friends who have bikes to ride with him to the cemetery as an escort to Nick.

He and Deannalynette invite all of their family and friends to come to their house at 7 p.m. Friday for a bonfire in honor of Nick. They will furnish all food and ask everyone to bring their own chairs.