

Robert T. "Bobby" O'Connor

Robert Travis O'Connor passed away in an accident on Thursday, July 2nd. Bobby is the son of Linda (nee Deegan) and Thomas O'Connor Jr. He is the loving brother of his younger sister, Casey. Bobby was born Sept. 8, 1991 in Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia. He attended St. Isidore Catholic School from pre-K to 8th grade. He still counts many of these classmates among his closest friends.

He played youth sports in Quakertown including midget football and summer swim team. He studied Tae Kwon Do under Hall of Fame instructor Master Mike Snisky and achieved the rank of third degree black belt. Bobby graduated Lansdale Catholic High School - Class of 2010. He was a part of the "Rare Breed" football program, just like his father and paternal grandfather. He played offensive line and was a member of the 2007 PAC-10 co-championship football team. He attended Mansfield University from 2011-2012. He played a year of varsity sprint football and was a founding father of the Phi Nu chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. He was a MU Presidential Scholar-Athlete. He transferred and graduated with a B.S. from the Pennsylvania State University. At Penn State he was a member of the power lifting club. He took part in THON his junior year and the Mifflin Run his senior year.

He was a proud alumnus. Bobby liked hunting and fishing with his two grandfathers. He loved his dog, a yellow lab named Lightning. He enjoyed bull riding, cliff jumping,skim boarding, riding his motorcycle and mudding in his Dodge pick-up truck.

Bobby lived on the edge - and on occasion jumped off it. In addition to his parents and sister, he is survived by his grandparents Tom & DJ O'Connor and Elaine Deegan. He was proceeded in death by his grandparents Bob Deegan and Eleanor O'Connor and his uncle and godfather Scott Deegan. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and extended cousins in the U.S. and England.

Bobby was much loved and well respected in his community. He was coming home from helping a friend when the accident occurred. He was a good man.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thurs., July 9, 11 AM in St. Isidore's Catholic Church, 2545 W. Pumping Station Rd., Quakertown. Family & friends are invited to call at the Jeffrey A. Naugle Funeral & Cremation Service, 135 W. Pumping Station Rd., Quakertown, Wed. July 8, 7 – 9 pm or at church Thurs. 10 – 11 AM.

Memorial contributions in Bobby's name may be made to Penn State Thon, 227D HUB, University Park, PA 16802 or Special Olympics PA, 2570 Blvd. of the Generals, STE 124, Norristown, PA 19403.