



Cole M. Cavanaugh

February 11, 1998 - September 11, 2023

Cole M. Cavanaugh, 25, of Appleton, Wisconsin, formerly of Bradley, Illinois, passed away unexpectedly Monday, September 11, 2023, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

He was born February 11, 1998, in Blue Island, the son of Mike Cavanaugh and Donna Sieben. He was a 2016 graduate of Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School and went on to Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. He was an accountant, or as his brother called him, a professional nerd.

Cole was known for cracking way too many dad jokes and really enjoyed pushing his brother, Mitch's, buttons. He loved playing video games and spending time with his partner in crime, Darien. When he wasn't playing videogames, he liked to travel, hike, and sing Karaoke with friends, where he was known as a mic hog. Cole really had a love for Jurassic Park and dinosaurs in general.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Donna and Wes White of Petersburg, VA; his father and stepmother, Mike and Dina Cavanaugh of St. Cloud, FL; his soulmate and life partner, Darien Haffner of Appleton, WI; his brother, Mitch Cavanaugh of Arvada, CO; his stepsiblings, Jessica (Ronnie) Cato of Georgia, Jason (Sarah) White of Kentucky, Amanda (Billy) Richards of

Dwight; Sarah (Zach) Dunbar of Bourbonnais, Travis (Jamie) White of Kankakee; Tyler Surprenant of Bradley, Travis Surprenant of St. Cloud, FL, and Wesley White of Bloomington; 17 nieces and nephews; one fur-nephew, Charlie; paternal grandparents, Bill and Kax Cavanaugh of Kankakee; aunts and uncles, Paulette Swierk of Crestwood, Diane and Martin Meador of St. Peter, Missouri, as well as Terri and Bill McCue of Coal City; several cousins; mother-in-law to be, Debbie Haffner; as well as many friends and extended family.

Cole is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Ray and Joan Sieben; an aunt, Marnie Cavanaugh; and an infant uncle, John Cavanaugh.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, September 30, 2023, at Jensen Funeral Home, Kankakee from 1pm until the memorial service at 3pm. There will be a luncheon after the service, along with some karaoke; prepare your favorite song to perform. Please wear your favorite Jurassic Park or Dinosaur attire.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family at <https://gofund.me/283af989>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **30**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Memorial Service

SEP **30**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Cole M. Cavanaugh*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *Today is truly a day to celebrate with Cole for everyone who has had the good fortune to know Cole even if just for a short time. We all have special memories of Cole, and the family. Kay and I send our love to you all, and we will be with you in spirit. May this be a day to remember and give thanks for having Cole in our lives. Godspeed, Uncle Ray*

Ray Cavanaugh - September 30, 2023 at 11:54 AM



“ *Monica Rocha lit a candle in memory of Cole M. Cavanaugh*



Monica Rocha - September 30, 2023 at 05:32 AM



Sending lots of hugs and prayers for his family and friends

Monica Rocha - September 30, 2023 at 05:33 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



September 28, 2023 at 02:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cole M. Cavanaugh.

September 27, 2023 at 09:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



September 27, 2023 at 09:18 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



September 26, 2023 at 02:13 PM

BL

“ Bill & Terri McCue Family, Janice Lewis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cole M. Cavanaugh.

Bill & Terri McCue Family, Janice Lewis - September 24, 2023 at 09:11 PM

BL

“ Bill & Terri McCue Family, Janice Lewis purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.



Bill & Terri McCue Family, Janice Lewis - September 24, 2023 at 09:11 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.



September 19, 2023 at 07:05 PM

AA

“ Avelo Airlines planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cole M. Cavanaugh.

Avelo Airlines - September 19, 2023 at 11:37 AM

AA

“ *Avelo Airlines purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



Avelo Airlines - September 19, 2023 at 11:37 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



September 18, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Cole M. Cavanaugh.*



September 15, 2023 at 02:14 PM

BF

“ *So very sorry for your loss, my virtual hugs are with you & my thoughts and prayers to you and the family.*



Bernice Scheive & family - September 14, 2023 at 01:45 PM