



## Joshua S. Thompson

June 5, 1991 - February 16, 2009

Joshua S. Thompson, age 17, beloved son of Tammy J. Paulson, is mourned for his senseless passing which occurred on Monday, February 16, 2009.

Born in Utica on June 5, 1991, Joshua is the son of Michael Tilly and Tammy J. Paulson. He was raised and educated locally and was planning to study electrical engineering this fall at Mohawk Valley Community College.

Joshua was close to his mother, always watching over her. They nurtured a unique friendship, and he often doted over her and confided in her. Although a young man, he was tall in stature, with memorable blue eyes, he was mature and independent. He was child-like at heart, yet approaching the cusp of manhood. He was affectionate, respectful, and adventuresome. His friendships were plentiful and meaningful. He embraced his friends with much loyalty, some from childhood and many of current relationships. It was obvious that many sought him out just to hang, listen to rap, play Xbox, and just be together. He also enjoyed playing computer games and socializing on MySpace. Basketball was his favorite sport, but above all, music fulfilled his soul; he knew every lyric and related to the rhythm of the artist. As a grandson and nephew, he always brought laughter and joy to his loved ones. He had an innate way of charming people and he had a special place in his life for his "little brother". Overall, Joshua was blessed with a wonderful heart and he will not be forgotten.

Joshua is survived by his mother, Tammy J. Paulson of Utica; his father, Michael Tilly of Brooklyn; his maternal grandmother, Carrie Paulson of Utica;

and his brother, Jayden Paulson-Holmes. Survivors also include his aunts and uncles, Judith L. and Ernest Brown, Chief Master Sergeant U.S. Air Force of Georgia, Les Paulson, Russell Paulson, Shari Lynn Paulson and Richard “Dick” Ballard, and James Zimmerman; his special great-aunt, Paula Worden; and many cousins, especially Michael and Alan, whom he loved like brothers. Joshua was blessed with “his Princess”, Tori, who held a special place in his heart; his close friends, Patrick and Jamie, and a host of others. He was predeceased by his aunt, Jo-Anne Zimmerman.

The family wishes to thank the individuals who assisted Joshua by being by his side until the medical attendants arrived. These courageous efforts were very much appreciated.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 12:00-3:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St. corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Joshua’s honor to the family enabling them to cover needed expenses during this difficult time; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joshua’s funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation facilitated by S. Betty Giarrusso, CSJ.

# Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joshua S. Thompson



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - February 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Share a memory of Joshua S. Thompson or send condolences to the family.



Dana Nunziata - December 17, 2014 at 01:35 PM



Just thought of you

Dana Nunziata - December 17, 2014 at 01:36 PM

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“ rip cousin



Simon - February 25, 2014 at 02:52 PM

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“ *Delilah Roberts lit a candle in memory of Joshua S. Thompson*



**Delilah roberts** - February 16, 2013 at 03:09 PM

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“ *Donna Roberts lit a candle in memory of Joshua S. Thompson*



**donna roberts** - February 16, 2013 at 03:09 PM

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“ *Simon lit a candle in memory of Joshua S. Thompson*



**Simon** - February 16, 2013 at 08:28 AM

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“ *Simon Davis lit a candle in memory of Joshua S. Thompson*



**Simon Davis** - February 07, 2013 at 04:36 PM



“ *the most i can say right now is i remember all the memorys we had together always having fun and being there for eachother and also his lil brother jj he talked about him like he was his prize and it hurts now to see some one so low of them selves can actually do this to a wonderful and sweet hearted boy i love him so much and i also thank his mother for everything and understanding me he will never be missed always in our hearts love to all god blesss###imported-begin##amanda m martine##imported-end##*

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March 02, 2009 at 07:17 PM



“ *Miss Carrie, Tammy & family.  
We are so sorry for your loss. Please know he is in good hands now. Keep your memories close to your heart.###imported-begin##Sue and Nate - Skyler's parents##imported-end##*

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February 27, 2009 at 11:54 AM



“ *imma miss u lots nigga xoxo u will be rememberd  
always###imported-begin##robin ray##imported-end##*

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February 26, 2009 at 01:23 PM





“ rip hommie,  
miss u alot,  
wish u were here,  
we'll all see u again one day.##imported-begin##Dan  
Gaumer##imported-end##

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February 23, 2009 at 11:11 AM



“ tammy, i hope everything turned out beautiful today my heart was  
on josh today and so was my mind may he now rest in peace..rip  
josh##imported-begin##lisa klein##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 09:49 PM



“ Joshua will never ever be forgotten. TheM blue eyes will always be  
rememberd not only that but his beautiful smile and loving  
personality. He was like a part of the family we will never forget josh  
he will always be in our hearts.

Tammy and Family if you ever need anything we are always here  
for you.##imported-begin##The ChryStie Family##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 08:55 PM



“ It's always hard to see someone so young pass, My heart goes out  
to Joshua's family and tori and her family

RIP Josh##imported-begin##Ryan Barber##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 06:25 PM



“ Dear Tammy, I'm deeply sorry for the loss of your dear son, Joshua. My son, Roger, knew Joshua for quite some time; he's devastated truly. I remember u and Josh on my UTA bus and at Toma's now and then. Please tell your mother, Carrie, I'm deeply sorry for the loss of her grandson, Joshua.##imported-begin##Sandi Joseph##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 03:25 PM



“ I AM VERY FOR YOUR LOST MY HEART AND SOUL GOES OUT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS.##imported-begin##Jane Jones##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 01:38 PM



“ TAMMY & FAMILY, josh we truly be missed by anyone who had the honor of knowing him he was always respectful and a joy to have over.fondiest memories OFjoshandkevinplayingtogetherwhentheywerelittle.Wordscannot express the sorrow we feel for you and your family at this painful time .please do not hesitate to call us if you need anything.with greatest sympathy the EDWARDS FAMILY.##imported-begin##Kevin & Theresa Edwards & Family##imported-end##

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February 21, 2009 at 09:28 AM



“ *R.i.P  
YOUR MISSED SO MUCH. CANT BELIEVE YOUR GONEE.. ITS  
HARD TO THINK ABOUT... BUT WE HAVE BEEN WITH EACH  
OTHER FOREVER ON AND OFF... MY COUSiN WE WERE  
SHORT AND LiTTLE TOGETHER AT ONE TIMEEE..  
I CANT BELIEVE IT ALL HAPPENED LIKE THIS  
BUT YOUR IN A BETTER PLACE NOWWW..  
I LOVEE YOU CUZOO  
EVERYONE IS GOIN TO TRY TO STAY STRONG  
BECAUSE I NO YOU WOULD WANT US ALL TOO..  
REST IN PEACEEEE##imported-begin##Nicole  
Washington##imported-end##*

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February 21, 2009 at 09:03 AM



“ *From when you were a little boy to the talks that we wolud share, in  
memories you will live. Sorry for your loss lts sad to see a young  
man go, he will be remembered by many.  
Linda, Joey & Nikki##imported-begin##Linda Borruso ~  
DiFillippo##imported-end##*

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February 21, 2009 at 05:22 AM



“ We All Miss You Josh.. Still Can't Believe yOur gOne :- ( Tammy, Jayden, Sky, Grams Mike & Family too ;- ) U Guys Keep Ya Heads Up... He Wasen't Supposed 2 Leave This Way But He Watchin' Us From AboVe NOw...  
This One Is For U Josh

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“ my baby Joshua Scott...what will I ever do without you in my life? I look back and recall the day I helped deliver you into this world... the first time I held you in my arms...and the first time you opened your eyes for me..I remember saying , " he's got my eyes!". even though I had two boys of my own, you were still one of my baby boys, and I love you very much!!! I will miss you terribly and all my hugs everytime you seen me, weather it be at home, or on the street, I always got my hug!! you will be in my thoughts forever.. you will never be forgotten baby!!###imported-begin###aunt shari###imported-end###

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February 20, 2009 at 02:14 PM



“ Dear Tammy & family - My deepest condolences to you during this difficult time. May God give you the strength you need to get through this.###imported-begin###Rhonda Zangrilli-Russell###imported-end###

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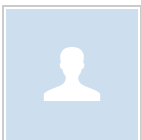
February 20, 2009 at 01:18 PM



“ I LOVE YOU BUDDY AND I'M GOING TO MISS YOU SO EVER MUCH###imported-begin###Russ Paulson###imported-end###

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February 20, 2009 at 12:48 PM



“ I am very sorry for you loss, Tammy, Carrie, and the rest of the family. I remember when he was born. He was a very good kid. Things are tough now, I know, but they will get better. He is in a better place.###imported-begin###John Pasho###imported-end###

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February 20, 2009 at 12:37 PM



“ Tammy and Carrie, We are so sorry to hear about Josh. It sadden AJ deeply as they were play buddies on Taylor Ave. Josh's smile and his blue eyes will never be forgotten. He was a wonderful boy!! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Paulette and AJ DeSimone##imported-begin##Paulette Borruso-DeSimone##imported-end##*

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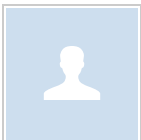
February 20, 2009 at 12:34 PM



“ TAMMY AND FAMILY, WE ARE VERY SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT JOSH, WHAT A TRAGEDY, A MOTHER'S WORST NIGHTMARE FOR SURE. OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU...MY MEMORY OF JOSH GOES WAY BACK TO TAYLOR AVE WHEN HE WAS WHIPPING AROUND ON HIS BIKE AT AGE 2 OR 3, WHEN OTHER KIDS, INCLUDING MY SON, NICK, STILL HAD THEIR TRAINING WHEELS ON !!! HE WAS A SMART KID PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEAREST SYMPATHY.##imported-begin##ANNA MONACO ##imported-end##

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February 20, 2009 at 10:45 AM



“ Josh memory will live on forever and so will his presence. He is up in heaven with Grandma CC and I know they are up there smiling and looking down on us all. Tammy, Carrie, Michael Tilly, Tory & Boo Boo you know my prayers and thoughts will be with you daily. Josh was my protector and I will miss him daily coming through my door with those crystal blue eyes and a smile that will always be unforgettable.##imported-begin##Roxie Lanaux##imported-end##

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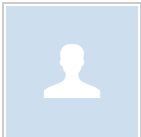
February 20, 2009 at 10:29 AM



“ WOW SON I STILL REALLY CANT BELIEVE YOUR GONE AND AT A YOUNG AGE.ITS GOING TO BE HARD FOR ME AND OTHERS SEEING THAT WE USED TO BE TOGETHER EVERYDAY BUT NOW ITS GOING TO BE WAY DIFFERENT I DONT KNOW WHAT IM GOING TO DO....ANYWAYS WOW I REALLY DONT KNOW WHAT TO SAY BECAUSE IT HAPPENED TOO QUICK IT SEEM LIKE WE WAS JUST IN YOUR ROOM CHILLIN PLAYIN THE XBOX AND OTHER AND IM GOIN TO MISS THAT BECAUSE YOU WAS MA HOMEBOY...TO JOSH MOTHER, BROTHER ,FRIENDS AND OTHERS I AM SORRY FOR YOUR LOST JOSH WAS LIKE ONE OF MY BEST FRIENDS AND ITS HARD FOR ME TO STILL BELIEVE.....REST IN PEACE SON..... YA BOY RELL U WILL BE MISSED AND NEVER FORGOTTEN...##imported-begin##YA SON RELL##imported-end##

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February 20, 2009 at 01:21 AM



“ IN LOVING MEMORY.....ME AND JOSH WERE FRIENDS AND WE HAD OUR MOMENTS JUST PLAY FIGHTING AND ARGUEING. HE SEEM LIKE HE WAS A LAYED BACK TYPE OF PERSON. HE WAS VERY RESPECTFUL.AND U CAN NEVER COME BY A GENTLEMEN NOWADAYS. HE WAS A COOL MAN. HE WAS ALWAYS WITH HIS BEST FRIENDS JERELL AND PATRICK. THEY WAS IN THE BLOWIN IT DOWN AND PLAYING THE XBOX WITH OTHERS. IM SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS WE WILL BE A BIG SUPPORT FOR ANYONE WHO NEEDS IT..... REST IN PEACE JOSHUA THOMPSON.....MAY OUR PRAYERS BE WITH YOU ON THIS DAY. 06/05/91- 02/16/09##imported-begin##SHANICE JACKSON##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 10:16 PM



“ R.I.P JOSH...THIS WAS A TRUE FRIEND INDEED. HE NEVER WAS A RUDE PERSON HE WAS ALWAYS POLITE TO WOMEN HIS OWN AGE. HE NEVER DISRESPECTED ANYONE AT ALL. JOSH WAS A REAL COOL PERSON IF U GOT TO KNOW HIM. HE WAS ALWAYS WITH HIS FRIENDS WITCH WAS ONE OF MY COUSINS. HE STAYED LOYAL TO HIS FAMILY AND EVERYONE AROUND HIM.JOSH WAS A LAYED BACK TYPE OF BOY. HE ALWAYS KNEW WHAT TO SAY TO MAKE PEOPLE LAUGH. I KNOW HE ENJOYED HIS LIFE AND HE NEVER WOULD HAVE WANTED IT TO END THAT WAY BUT U CAN NEVER BE TOO CAREFUL OUT HERE IN THE WORLD TODAY.....REST IN PEACE TRULY U WILL ALWAYS BE MISSED##imported-begin##DIJONNAIE SPRATT##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 10:03 PM



“ Love ya Josh. Say hi to my mother for me. God Bless##imported-begin##Rich , Melinda and family##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 09:57 PM



“ Baby i love you&& i miss you so much;; see you again one day;; chill wit my aunt while u up there;; love you&& i love you family&& sky##imported-begin##Tori Thompson##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 07:30 PM



“ I hope all the kind words and smiling faces of all your friends and family keep your spirits up! Josh wouldn't want you to be sad! Remember that there is alot of people around you tht truly care and want to give you support in anyway you need it!! I'm sure he is looking down on you, JJ and Carrie with a smile on his face!! You three were truly his life.  
Rest in Peace Josh. I love you-Debbie###imported-begin##Debbie Price###imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 06:50 PM



“ Josh, We will miss you forever and love you always!###imported-begin##Alicia and briannah mama###imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 04:10 PM



“ Dear friends, Family and Tori---Please accept my deepest condolences in the tragic loss of Joshua. Though I have not met him, he had a very special place in Tori's heart, and I would imagine the hearts of so many who loved him. There are no words that can be said to ease your pain. You will be in my prayers.

Sandy Richardson###imported-begin##Sandy Richardson###imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 01:58 PM



“ To the family of Josh, I just want to say i am very sorry for your loss, Josh was a good friend of mine since we met at Lincoln Hall and to see this happen for such a stupid reason it just breaks my heart. They say the good die young so remember now he is in a much better place.##imported-begin##John Lanaux##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 12:37 PM



“ Tammy and family .....From my whole family to yours, our deepest and heartfelt sympathy for the lose of Josh...We have such wonderful memories of him growing into a young man...He will always remain in our hearts...Our prayers are with you and your family. From all of us May he rest in peace...The Dobrzensk Family##imported-begin##Christine Dobrzenski##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 11:30 AM



“ tammy,,jayden ,and family,

Are thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Tammy, Joshua will forever be in are hearts and prayers. Josh will never be forgotton. Rest In Peace Josh.

lisa klein &corey klein##imported-begin##lisa and corey klein##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 10:27 AM



“ To Tammy and Family,

*~ Heartfelt Sympathy to All of you.  
I am so sorry for your loss of Joshua.  
His Crystal Blue Eyes and Smile will be sadly missed... He will  
Forever be in our Hearts and Prayers...~  
God Bless all of you.  
Love,  
Jennifer, Matthew & Justin##imported-begin##Jennifer  
Romano##imported-end##*

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February 19, 2009 at 09:42 AM



“ Dear Tammy, Carrie, Russell, Les, Judy, Shari and family,  
We are terribly sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are  
with you. words cannot express how sorry we feel. If there is  
anything we can do please let us know..  
Sincerely,  
John and Bea Romano##imported-begin##John and Beatrice  
Romano##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 08:57 AM



“ Tammy- I can remember Josh as a short kid always so curious  
when ever he came by my families house on taylor. I used to tell  
him...ur eyes-u'll be a heartbreaker for sure. He was always so calm  
around my kids. He used to seek out advice from me,if i could help i  
would. believe me when i say , I will miss him so much. Time will  
heal..memories will last a life time. take care. best hopes for all.  
Shirley, Chris, Autumn, & lit' chris##imported-  
begin##shirley##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 08:26 AM



“ Tammy, Jayden, & Carrie --

*My thoughts and prayers are with you!##imported-begin##Joy Thomas (TWP)##imported-end##*

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February 19, 2009 at 08:20 AM



“ Tammy...I am so sorry for this terrible teagedy. You are in my prayers. Carrie...I am praying for your family! Remember...I have Janice who is now 27. Her father is John Flaherty. God will care for Joshua in heaven and in time, heal your hearts. Hang in there.##imported-begin##Wendy Perry (Harding)##imported-end##

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February 19, 2009 at 08:07 AM



“ Tammy, Carrie and Family

*My heart goes out to all of you. We have many great memories of Josh when we lived on Taylor Ave. Josh was a great kid, so full of life. May God see you through your difficult days and give you strength in the days to come. God Bless.##imported-begin##Norm & Elaine O'Connor##imported-end##*

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February 19, 2009 at 08:02 AM