



## Jared Lee Irwin

April 4, 1995 - July 9, 2016

Jared Lee Irwin, 21  
Kearney resident

Jared Lee Irwin, 21, of Kearney, passed away Saturday, July 9, 2016 at his home from a tragic accident. A private family service will be held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Jared Lee Irwin was born April 4, 1995 in Louisville, Kentucky to Leon and Tresa (Smith) Irwin. He was a 2014 graduate of Phillipsburg High School in Phillipsburg, KS and went on to graduate from Northwest Kansas Technical College, Kansas Institute of Diesel Technology in Goodland, KS with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in May of 2016. Jared had planned to continue his education and earn a bachelors and masters in psychology, because he wanted to continue better helping people. Jared recently became interested in stained glass and made his family several lovely pieces, including a beautiful stained glass Eiffel Tower for his mom. Jared was an artist in many forms including writing, crafting many wonderful stories that captivated and intrigued those with whom he shared them. Jared liked his guns and enjoyed shooting with both his father and brother, where he was

more often than not the top marksman of the three. He enjoyed carrying his firearms with him at all times and engaging with anyone who shared the same interest. Jared loved watching Anime and sharing new series that he had found with his brother, sister and friends. His favorite animated characters were the Hulk, Tom and Jerry and Scooby Doo. One of Jared's favorite past times was playing his X-Box 360. He was a masterful gamer and made many good friends in his online games.

Jared possessed a wonderful, good, kind, loving and giving heart. Jared never saw people as strangers, rather as new potential friends. Jared always greeted with a smile and his hand out ready to introduce himself and ready to lend a helping hand to anyone, anytime. Countless times people told his mom what a good boy he was, so courteous and kind and how much he had helped them. He extended his passions to his siblings who shared in them and were shaped by them. Jared and his sister communicated in their own unique way, as could no one else in the world. Jared's brother is more proud of him than words could ever describe, a brother who was made better every day because of him. Both his siblings and his mother and father love him deeply.

Jared was a loyal son, brother and friend and was always there for the ones he cared about, whenever they needed him. Jared loved to make people happy and would do whatever it took to get someone to give him a big smile. He grew from a cute, sweet, boy to a wonderful, giving, handsome man. Jared loved openly and was loved in return by the many who were lucky enough to be touched by his life. Jared, you are your mother's joy and you will always be my little wee wee. I am proud of you and always will be. Your mom loves you forever sweet Jared Lee.

Left to cherish his memory are his mother and step-father, Tresa Lee and Dirk Christensen of Kearney; father Leon Irwin of Phillipsburg, KS; sister Sarina Irwin of Manhattan, KS; brother Nicholas E. Irwin of Omaha; grandfather

Everett W. Smith of Glendo, WY, his aunt Jackie Olaveson and her husband Dennis of Laramie, WY, and a host of other aunts, uncles, cousins and three very special second cousins.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jared Lee Irwin*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Mom lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin*



**mom** - July 18, 2016 at 02:42 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of this. Jared brightened the classroom as soon as he walked in and was unfailingly kind and respectful. He never forgot a friend. Sincere sympathy to his family and friends; what a tragic loss.*

**Deanna Nech** - July 14, 2016 at 04:43 PM



“ *I will never forget how caring Jared was he always knew how to brighten my day...and my kids loved him..I'll never forget when I worked at subway, he always came in and have me a hard time..fly high Jared...*



**Victoria Swarts** - July 13, 2016 at 02:08 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jared Lee Irwin.*



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July 12, 2016 at 11:44 PM



“ *My best time was with Jared was getting a good morning hug from him every day at school and all the good times we would stay out all night hanging at loves and driving around all night I'm sure going to miss you Jared R.I.P*



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**Justina Coomes** - July 12, 2016 at 07:28 PM



“ *My dear sweet soul sister. When we first met I knew we were destined to be friends and lucky enough to be family (sort of). What a wonderful boy and beautiful tribute. My heart is heavy with sadness for the loss your family is experiencing. Thinking of you and yours.*

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**Sonja Peetz** - July 12, 2016 at 05:45 PM



*Thank you so much Sonja.*

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**Tresa Irwin Christensen** - July 13, 2016 at 02:49 PM

SC

“ *Sonja Chatfield-Peetz lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin*



**Sonja Chatfield-Peetz** - July 12, 2016 at 05:41 PM



“ *Carolyn Wilson Rumbaugh lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin*



**Carolyn Wilson Rumbaugh** - July 12, 2016 at 05:00 PM



Mel Cotton

“ *Send a candle for family and I my sorry for your loss but they are always in your heart forever*

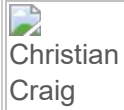
**Mel Cotton** - July 12, 2016 at 03:03 PM



Christian Craig

“ *he was like a brother to me he was valways there for me he was a great guy and friend R.I.P BROTHER you will be missed*

**Christian Craig** - July 12, 2016 at 11:03 AM

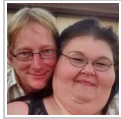


Christian Craig

“ Christian Craig lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin



Christian Craig - July 12, 2016 at 11:01 AM



"Jared will always be in our hearts and Memories for years to come. Yes he is missed greatly and Loved by many . Rest -In-Peace Jared Irwin .

Carla Fleming - July 12, 2016 at 02:03 PM



JJ

“ Leon, Tresa, Sarina and Nicholas, we are heartbroken to hear of this news and we pray the peace and comfort only our Lord can provide will hold you up and sustain you. You will be in our prayers,



Dave and Jill Jones

Jill Jones - July 12, 2016 at 10:19 AM



DJ

“ Jill and I are shocked and greatly saddened to hear this and want you to know that we love you and we are praying for your family. May God comfort you in this terrible time of loss.



Dave Jones - July 12, 2016 at 09:50 AM

Ben  
Calvert

“ I haven't really talked to him since I moved after 8th grade but he was one I consider a friend even to this day. May he rest in peace. I hope you guys are doing okay I understand I little what your going through I just lost a sister a month ago. May they rest in peace.



Ben Calvert - July 12, 2016 at 09:32 AM

CS

“ Thoughts and prayers to you all and your family and friends.....



Christy Shrader - July 12, 2016 at 12:54 AM

RY

“ What a tragic loss for Jared's family and friends. Such a gentle spirit and special young man who will be truly missed here on earth. We are praying for all of you who are suffering from this loss. God be with you in this time of sorrow, Let the promise of eternal life be your comfort.

*Roger and LaVerna Yarnell*

Roger and LaVerna Yarnell - July 12, 2016 at 12:34 AM

Sheila  
Henderson

“ Jared loved his family more than any kid Ive ever known and we will miss him at our house. Sheila, Layne, Ivy and Elly henderson

Sheila Henderson - July 11, 2016 at 10:39 PM



“ You will always be my brother. I'll see you soon. For now, keep kicking ass. I'll hold down the fort here. I love you bro.

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“ I was very sorry to hear about Jared. I remember when he was in high school, Jared helped out a family when they lost their mother suddenly and were in need of finances. He appealed to businesses and school staff to donate money to the family, which they did. He had a big heart!

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**Iris Stones** - July 11, 2016 at 07:02 PM



“ Hey Jared just to let you know you're a good kid. I've always thought so. Thinking about the afternoon you got locked out of the house when your mom was at work and askex if you could come in and warm up. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Your friendly neighbor , Tim

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**Tim Edwards** - July 11, 2016 at 06:07 PM



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**Tim Edwards** - July 11, 2016 at 06:07 PM

BL

“Tresa and family....so very sorry for you loss. I was privileged to have had Jared in school. His tender heart and sweet disposition made him very precious to me. I got to see Jared grow and excel in school. He was one of my success stories. God had gained a great angel. Fly with the Angels sweet boy. I am praying for comfort during this difficult time

Becky Lanier - July 11, 2016 at 04:36 PM

BL

“Teresa and Family....my heart aches for you. Jared was one of my success stories. He had such a tender heart and was a sweet, sweet soul. I was privileged to see have him as a student. I watched him grow from a struggling student to a successful student. I am glad he was part of my teaching career. I will continue to pray for your family as you grieve for this incredible young man. Fly with the Angels sweet boy!!!

Becky Lanier - July 11, 2016 at 02:58 PM



“Pzza Betts lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin



Pzza Betts - July 11, 2016 at 02:24 PM

CF

“ He helped me more than anyone ever knew. He was my whole world and I loved him so much. He would message me every morning and told me how much I meant to him. He is the light of my life and I will never ever be able to let him go! I love you Jared Irwin and always will no matter where you are!

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**Cheyenne Fowler** - July 11, 2016 at 02:11 PM

 Rosie Mendoza

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was such a sweet and kind person. He will be missed my so many!

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**Rosie Mendoza** - July 11, 2016 at 01:58 PM

CK

“ Sending my sincere condolences. I enjoyed him as a student at Phillipsburg High School. He was a great kid with lots to offer. There is no doubt he will be missed.

*Crystal Kearns*

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**Crystal Kearns** - July 11, 2016 at 01:56 PM

 June Craig

“ June Craig lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin

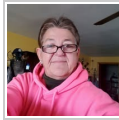


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**June Craig** - July 11, 2016 at 01:41 PM

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Craig

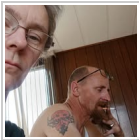
“ Jared was a great guy. Always willing to give a helping hand. Jared will truly be missed by those who knew him. R.I.P. Jared. The Craig's: Cary, June and Christian

June Craig - July 11, 2016 at 01:25 PM



My nephew was a loving and respectful young man...who love his a aunt Jackie...i will miss you...rest in peace....and say Hi to David for me....

Jackie Olaveson - July 12, 2016 at 07:46 AM



“ I did not know him, but this is so sad someone so young. May GOD bless the family and give them the courage and strength to get through this difficult time.



Chrystal Massey - July 11, 2016 at 01:22 PM



“ Jackie Wymer lit a candle in memory of Jared Lee Irwin

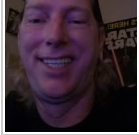


Jackie Wymer - July 11, 2016 at 12:44 PM

TR

“ I am heart broken to hear this news! Jared was such a sweet young man, amd I am so sorry for your loss! Your family is in my Prayers!

Teri Rose - July 11, 2016 at 12:43 PM



“ *Jared was a great Kid with his whole life in front of him! My wife and I looked upon him like we would our own son. He was always kind and helpful when needed he will be sorely missed. My condolences to his family.* ”



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**Ed Fleming** - July 11, 2016 at 12:24 PM

JS

“ *Tresa, so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.* ”

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**Jan Simodynes** - July 11, 2016 at 11:34 AM