



## Ryan Stephen Sopko

September 21, 1983 - May 3, 2014

Ryan Stephen Sopko, 30, has entered into God's Kingdom on May 3, 2014. With strength and willpower, he succumbed to a lifelong illness that did not prevent him from living life to the fullest. Ryan was born in Somerville, New Jersey on September 21, 1983. He attended Christ The King School and Somerset Votech High School. He was a dedicated employee at PNC bank in Raritan, NJ for the past 8 years. He is predeceased by his maternal grandparents John and Grace Fidler and by his paternal grandfather Steve C. Sopko. Ryan is survived by his adoring family, mother Mary Grace Fidler Sopko, father Stephen G. Sopko, sister Megan Sopko, brother Kyle Sopko. Grandmother Marcella A. Sopko, great aunt Theresa Aaron, uncles John Fidler, Martin Sopko and wife Pamela, Sylvester Sopko and wife Sharon, Captain Ed Sopko and wife Kathleen, Bill Sopko and wife Adrian. Aunts Theresa Olszyk and husband Charles, Maggie McConnell and husband Bob, many cousins, his girlfriend Jacqueline May, his faithful dog, Willie and many friends. To honor Ryan, please become an organ donor to save a life. The viewing will be on Wednesday May 7, 2014 from 5 to 9 PM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ. (908)575-8512. The Funeral will be on Thursday May 8, 2014 8:15 AM from the Ketusky Funeral Home followed by a 9:00 AM Mass at Christ The King Roman Catholic Church in Manville, NJ. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the National Foundation for Transplants at 800-489-3863 or [info@transplants.org](mailto:info@transplants.org). For additional information please visit our website at [www.ketusky.com](http://www.ketusky.com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 7. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home  
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747  
Manville, NJ 08835  
(908) 575-8512  
info@ketusky.com  
<https://www.ketusky.com>

## Service

MAY 8. 9:00 AM (ET)

Christ The King Roman Catholic Church  
211 Louis Street  
Manville, NJ 08835

# Tribute Wall

MO

“ Hello Ryan ....My wonderful, great, caring, handsome son. I miss you so very much. I still think of you every day and night this will continue forever. I hope you are doing okay in heaven with your Grand parents there too. I Love you very very much. Mom



Mom - November 16, 2016 at 03:16 PM

MM

“ To my wonderful Son who I think about every day....I wish you were here on Christmas day with us... I remember going into stores with you last year and we had so much fun....I miss doing that with you...Kyle and Megan gave me a beautiful picture of the three of you when you were young. I will treasure it always. Kyle hung it up in the family room so I can look at it always. I miss you sooooo much. Merry Christmas to you Ryan I want to be able to say it to you in person.... Love Love Love you always. MOM



Mary Sopko Mom - December 26, 2014 at 04:51 PM

JA

“ Jackie lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



jackie - July 06, 2014 at 07:20 PM

MO

“ Ryan I think about you every minute of every day....I miss you soooo very much that words can't even describe how I feel. You were a great son and I am very proud to know how many people loved you. Love you, MOM



Mom - May 31, 2014 at 09:48 PM

DT

“ Darlene Thomaszfski lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



Darlene Thomaszfski - May 19, 2014 at 05:50 AM

CH

“ Christine lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



Christine - May 13, 2014 at 08:15 AM

CS

“ Christ The King School Staff lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



Christ the King School Staff - May 08, 2014 at 06:21 PM

TS

“ *The Staff Of Christ The King School lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko*



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**The Staff of Christ the King School** - May 08, 2014 at 06:16 PM

BG

“ *Bob & Grace lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko*



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**Bob & Grace** - May 08, 2014 at 07:10 AM



“ *I met Ryan 3 years ago at the bank where he worked. The very first day I went in there and Ryan waited on me. He was so pleasant and friendly, I knew this was going to be a great bank to deal with each day. I looked forward to going to the bank everyday to make my deposit. Everyone who worked at the bank loved him very much and just talking to him once I could see why. He was full of happiness. He was so funny, everyday he made me laugh. He is and will always be a fond memory in my heart. He will be missed by so many people who loved and cared about him.*

*God bless you Ryan and your wonderful family who made you the wonderful person you have become. You are in heaven now, there is no doubt in my mind.*

*God bless!*

*Debbie Palitchka*

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**Debbie Gaynord-Palitchka** - May 07, 2014 at 05:13 PM

LV

“ To the family of Ryan,My deepest condolences he was a great kid growing up.He held a special place in my heart.I will miss the horn going by my house.I will miss seeing in the bank when I go.I loved Ryan as if he was my own,as him and Jackie spent a lot of time together ,they went on the frist date at the movies of course with one fo us there but giving them room of their own.Please for give me for not coming as I have been really sick,at this time I can not make it.I have prayed for all you Ryan who is in heaven playing sports now.Love to all and god be with you. Love Always, Liz Villano

Liz Villano - May 07, 2014 at 04:44 PM

JF

“ Jared, Cathy, Mason, & Callen Febo lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



Jared, Cathy, Mason, & Callen Febo - May 07, 2014 at 10:40 AM

TF

And Cathy Febo

The Febo Family - May 07, 2014 at 10:42 AM

AB

“ My deepest condolences to the Sopko family, Ryan was such a sweetheart. Praying for your family every day.



Alexa Burns-Abromaitis - May 07, 2014 at 08:25 AM



“ *My most sincere condolences Mary, to you and your family. I pray that you find peace and comfort in your memories and in knowing that Ryan is in God's loving arms.*



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**Tina Newman** - May 06, 2014 at 05:18 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ryan Stephen Sopko.*



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May 06, 2014 at 11:45 AM



“ *We would like to offer our deepest condolences over the loss of such a wonderful person. We knew Ryan from our bank where he worked, PNC of Raritan, and we always looked forward to seeing him there. He was the sweetest and always greeted us with that big brilliant smile of his! He was always so happy...one of those rare people who make your day brighter with just one small interaction, because they give off such positive energy - he was like a ray of sunshine to all who's paths crossed his. He will be dearly missed. God Bless Ryan and may his family and friends find peace in their wonderful memories with him during this very difficult time.*

*-The Ricci Family-*

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**Kristen Ricci** - May 06, 2014 at 10:28 AM

LF

“ *Larry Fellin lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko*



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**Larry Fellin** - May 06, 2014 at 09:45 AM



“ *To the Sopko family and to Willie; Ryan was such a happy-go-lucky guy and would give anyone the shirt off his back. He will be missed by a lot of people; myself included. Even though he was with you for too short a time, you have many, many wonderful memories to cherish.*

*“They that love beyond the world cannot be separated by it. Death cannot kill what never dies.”*

*My fondest condolences to the family of Ryan.*

*~~Ronnie Colacci*

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**Ronnie Colacci** - May 06, 2014 at 09:03 AM

NM

“ *Nora Mack lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko*



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**Nora Mack** - May 06, 2014 at 08:34 AM

EB

“ To all the family, especially my friend Mary, God gave you the gift of Ryan for such a short time. Cherish the memories and hold them close. I picture him with Jesus, happy, healthy and whole. May the Holy Spirit give you comfort and peace. Liz Baxter (Kerico)

Elizabeth Baxter - May 06, 2014 at 01:09 AM

SM

“ Sharon & Nicole Martin lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



Sharon & Nicole Martin - May 05, 2014 at 09:46 PM

ZF

“ Zagaja Family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Ryan Stephen Sopko.



Zagaja Family - May 05, 2014 at 08:59 PM

PB

“ PNC Bank lit a candle in memory of Ryan Stephen Sopko



PNC Bank - May 05, 2014 at 06:46 PM

BH

“ Ryan will always hold a special place in our hearts along with our jennie. He was a sweet wonderful young man. He will be truly missed! They are both at peace now and in the most beautiful place there is HEAVEN!

*Rest in peace Ryan.*

*Love, Tim, Barb, and Scott Hickey*

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**barbara hickey** - May 05, 2014 at 05:27 PM

WP

“ Jessica Hoeger, Kelly Turton and Winston Peters have donated \$100 to the National Foundation for Transplants in honor of Ryan Stephen Sopko

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**winston peters** - May 05, 2014 at 03:18 PM

JP

“ Jessica Hoeger, Kelly Turton and Winston Peters purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ryan Stephen Sopko.



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**Jessica Hoeger, Kelly Turton and Winston Peters** - May 05, 2014 at 02:54 PM