



## Drake Edward Matthew Post

March 19, 2002 - August 1, 2020

Drake Edward Matthew Post, age 18, of Newport, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, August 1, 2020, at Mott Children's Hospital, Ann Arbor. He had been critically ill for the past two months.

Born March 19, 2002 in Ann Arbor, he is the son of Brian E. Post and Carla D. Brantley-Post. He attended Jefferson High School and was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church. Drake worked for himself as a graphic and cartoon designer. He loved watching Sci-fi movies and shows, playing video games. He was a talented artist and created intricate renderings that were admired by many. Drake was so gifted at drawing that the Cleveland Art Institute was looking forward to him attending college at their campus. He enjoyed participating in Dungeons and Dragons, as well as Comecon Conventions, even winning first place here in Monroe. Drake was a prankster and genuinely enjoyed putting smiles on others faces.

To cherish his memory Drake leaves his loving mother and father, Carla of Newport and Brian of Monroe; one brother, Logan Post of Newport; grandparents: Joe and Fran Chavis of Iron River, Michigan, Richard and Georgia Hoffman of Monroe, and Sue Post of Luna Pier; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by a aunt, Brenda Brantley and grandfathers, McKinzie Brantley Jr. and Pete Post.

Memorial contributions in Drake's memory are suggested to the family.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a Memorial Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until services celebrating his life begin at 11 a.m. Friday, August 7, 2020, at Zion Lutheran Church, 186 Cole Road, Monroe, MI 48162. Bacarella Funeral home is assisting the family with arrangements.

# Events

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**AUG** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
186 Cole Road, Monroe, MI, US

**AUG** **Celebration Of Life** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ A long time ago in a galaxy far far away...Sorry I thought Drake would appreciate opening my comments this way. My nephew was an easy person to like and an easy person to love.

He was a character. He liked pranks, was clever, and rarely afraid of doing something outlandish for fun. And he loved to talk, especially about superheros, comics, sci-fi, Comic-Con, Adam West, anything related to Batman, and movies.

I remember going to see the latest Spider-Man movie last year. Of course, he'd already seen it. He talked about the movie on the way to the movie, he talked about the movie during the movie, he talked on the way home about the movie...And once we got home...he talked about the movie some more.

My wife, Yajaira and daughter Grace and I loved it when Carla, Drake and Logan came for a visit. Always great times. Drake and I often spoke the language of nerds... but it also didn't take long for anyone who listened to him to realize how intelligent and original he was, too. He didn't just talk, he made smart arguments. He was talented and drew some really fantastic work. Some of it was goofy and charming. Some of it was scary and dark. All of it creative and impressive..

If you had any trouble with your computer or phone or video game, his was the number you kept on speed dial. He could, and often did, solve any problem the family had. He often got into computers even when passwords were forgotten. He was a whiz.

Not only COULD he do it, and this is important, he was happy to do it. Drake was not only intelligent, but was kind. He would help his mother, grandparents, me. He helped my daughter understand her Switch game console. And would patiently sit and explain what she needed to do to use it...(along with a few insider tips and shortcuts, too). Even though he was 18 and she was 8, over the years he and Logan were more like big brothers to her than cousins. Patient. Kind, Gentle. Caring. That's the kind of person that Drake was. He was a fighter, too.

I remember the night he was born, about 12 of us huddled in the waiting room terrified, and how grateful we were that he was here and he survived. I think his health challenges made him thoughtful about his life. He knew early what he wanted to do with his future and devoted much of his energy pursuing it...being creative. I'm sure he would have been a successful artist, animator, or video game designer, or just as easily a star in some IT dept somewhere...

I admired his independence. Last summer, our family went to a water park. You could tell he was a bit self-conscious at the pool. Like Drake, I have scars...so we were both hesitant about getting in the water. Our family went to the slide and we trailed behind. I looked over at him and said, "I will if you will." Off he went. Down the slide. Not once, but over and over. That was a great day.

At his funeral, many of his family and friends attended to celebrate his life. He'd probably would have said there was no need for the fuss. But he'd be wrong. He

deserved it and more. I love him. I'm proud of him. And I'm proud of you, Carla. It wasn't easy, but you were with Drake every step these last few months. You did it with love.

When I think about Drake, I'll miss hearing about his adventures, designs, or seeing the joy in his face when he's pulled his latest joke. And I'll never forget the things that made him special: his creative mind and his generous heart.

I love you Carla and Logan. My condolences to Brian and all his family and friends.

Uncle Mac - August 10, 2020 at 12:03 PM

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“ The teachers, and staff of Insight School of MI purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



The teachers, and staff of Insight School of MI - August 06, 2020 at 04:01 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



August 06, 2020 at 11:42 AM

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“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



August 06, 2020 at 10:43 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



August 05, 2020 at 10:34 PM

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“ Paul & Sheri purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



**Paul & Sheri** - August 05, 2020 at 01:22 PM

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“ Julian Franklin purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



**Julian Franklin** - August 05, 2020 at 01:15 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



August 05, 2020 at 11:54 AM

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“ Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Drake Edward Matthew Post.



August 05, 2020 at 10:48 AM

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“ My deepest condolences to all of you  
It's such a tragedy losing a child  
My thoughts and prayers are with you

**tricia miller** - August 05, 2020 at 07:19 AM

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“ Drake was held in your arms for just a little while - but, surely you will hold him in your hearts forever - as parents we're not supposed to bury our babies - we are deeply affected by this loss of such an awesome young man - sending love, hugs & prayers - Uncle Dave & Aunt Sheri

**CoffeeLover Jones** - August 04, 2020 at 09:53 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for the loss of Drake. God truly has an angel now. Drake was such a sweet, loving, caring person and always had a great sense of humor. May your family find comfort by keeping his memories in your heart. love, patty shaw

**Patty shaw** - August 04, 2020 at 09:28 PM