

John Stinson, Jr.

March 22, 1992 - April 6, 2012

John Benson Stinson, Jr (20) of Alexandria, VA, better known as J.J. ("if you take out the BS, you are left with J.J.!) passed away on 6 April 2012. He is survived by his parents, John B. Stinson, Sr and Eileen Doherty and his sister, Kerry Stinson. He is also survived by his aunts, Kathleen DeGuilme, Dorothy Budd, Mary Burton, Donna Christian; his uncles, Mark Stinson and James Budd; and many cousins on both sides of the family. J.J. graduated from St Louis School in 2006, Bishop Ireton High School in 2010, earned his Eagle Scout Award in 2010, and recently became an Associate of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales. He was studying Philosophy at Virginia Tech. He had been active in Boy Scouts, Altar Servers, Theatre, and Music . J.J. loved his family, his friends, making music, conversation, and helping others. In the last three months his education brought him across Europe – from London and Stonehenge to Switzerland, Italy, France, Greece, and Turkey. He was a tall guy with an even bigger heart.

Remember, where your treasure is, there your heart is also.

-Matthew 6:21

Confident because there is hope; after your troubles you will sleep secure.

-Job 11:18

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“ *John Stinson, Jr.*

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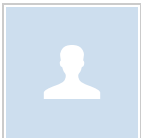


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“ *Kerry, My deepest sympathies for the loss you are feeling. I know how kind, loving, and amazing you are, and can only imagine J.J. followed his big sister's lead. I remember him as a little boy, tagging along behind your mom to B.I. Theatre! I'm sure he's impressing all the angels with his numerous talents, capacity for love, and HOKIE pride! You, your parents, and all your family are in my prayers. I hope the Lord's healing power sees you through this difficult time and the tough days ahead.*

May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *John & Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I lost my PC for the last 10 days due to a bad modem so didn't see this until Sue notified me. This is the toughest thing a parent can go through. I lost a son years ago also. May you find peace in knowing you raised a fine young man!*

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kerry and Mrs. Doherty, I am so sorry to hear about J.J. It is a great loss. J.J. was younger than me and I didn't know him well, but, Kerry, you were always an inspiration and a role model to me. There is no doubt that J.J. inspired people in the same way. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. My heart goes out to you.
Brigid BI 2005

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Three thoughts assisted me when I lost my parents recently. They were taught to me by the Griefshare program, which may be the main reason I am still amongst the sane. First, know for a certainty he knew you loved him. Second, know for a certainty he loved you. And finally, know for a certainty these are the only two things that matter. May God's peace envelope you.

May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ It is with a heavy heart that I write this email; I can only imagine the anguish of your premature loss. I remember JJ from our days at St. Louis. I can still see him in his Boy Scout uniform out front of the church with the wreaths, cards, and popcorn. Gabrielle just made me aware of what happened. Please know that no matter how much time passes, JJ is in our hearts and memories forever. May angels wings envelope you and your family at this time, and carry you into the future. Much love in friendship. Fawn Katzbahn, Gabrielle Katzbahn-Rush, Phil Rush, and Shannon Rush

April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John- My deepest sympathies over your terrible loss. Words alone cannot ease the burden of your tragic loss. I will pray that God's healing touch and grace will comfort you in the days ahead. God Bless and keep you and your family. Mackey Ives

April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John, Pat are are so sorry for your loss. May God grant you peace during this very trying time.

April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ May God rest his soul. Our thoughts and prayers are with family and friends during this difficult time.

April 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John, Eileen and Kerry You have our deepest condolences on your tragic loss. JJ possessed an extraordinary and inquisitive soul and a wonderful and kind heart. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Kate, Tony and Chris

April 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My son Austin was with J.J. In the Presidential Global Scholars program. As a result, I visited Italy and was blessed to have met J.J. and have dinner with him. J.J. impressed me so much with his laughter, his heart and his appetite. We told stories, laughed and I found a new friend! My heart goes out to all of you and has since Good Friday. I have prayed for so many things during all of this, and in each prayer, I have asked our Lord and Savior to provide comfort and answers to all of you. I will never forget J.J. and how he was so loved! I have checked his Face Book page every day and I can only wish that I would be so loved. I saw a phrase one time that fits J.J. It said, "when you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced, so live your life that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice". May God Bless all of you. Gary Larrowe

April 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear John Please accept our heartfelt Condolences on the loss of your son, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this tragic time. David and Nineveh Lazar

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“ We are all better people for having known JJ. His spirit and kindness will live on in each of us. John, Eileen, and Kerry, you are in our thoughts and prayers. God bless, The Blochberger family

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John, I remember the friendship and help you showed me during our work together in DC, and I am saddened very much by your loss.

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear in Christ I pray to God to grand you His loving care as you enter His Heart ... thank you for your love you shown to all whom you met Archbishop Bashar WARDA Chaldean Archbishop of ERBIL (IRAQ)

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear John, Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies" St.John 11: 25 I am so sorry for your lose,I send you my deep sympathy to you and to Kerry and to your family. I hold you all in my prayers. May JJ rest in peace. "He whom you love and lose is no longer where he was before. He is now wherever you are." St John Chrysostom

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am a friend of Marian Weber's. She told me about your son. I, too, have lost a son. I know how unnatural it is to outlive your child and my heart goes out to you. I will pray for your son and family as I know that he is in God's house now. Sincerely, Irene Herring

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ J.J., It's Saturday. I know your last moment is passing. Back here in Switzerland we are thinking about you. The candle in the garden keeps burning. The class seems a little quiet without your inquisitive spirit. We went to Lugano today with Dr. Knox and Dr. Chang. I wish you were here with us. I keep imagining what questions you would ask them. Your memories live with us, J.J..

April 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Ms. Doherty, Mr. Stinson and Kerry, When JJ was a freshman in my Honors English, he and his friend, Beau, once missed lunch because they stayed behind in order to ponder whether or not our all-powerful God can or does change His mind. I continue to ponder that question brought to me by two wonderful fifteen-year-olds. I knew then that JJ's destiny would be extraordinary, and as I think of him today, I truly believe that, like St. Therese, he will spend his heaven doing good on earth. I know that everyone who knew JJ will miss him terribly. So what is there to say to you who knew him best and longest? I can think of nothing except thank you for sharing him. Ms. Kearney PS That day of the great discussion when we all lost track of time, there was, fortuitously, another lunch period which they could utilize with a pass, and so my two philosophers were not forced into fasting.

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“ I got to know JJ during his time in Troop 680. He was a fine Scout, a superb Senior Patrol Leader, and a thoroughly outstanding young man. May God keep and comfort you...I grieve with you in your loss.

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“ Eileen, with reverent prayer for strength and comfort and an aching heart, I send you my deep sympathy. I know your love and sacrifice and your joy and sadness. May His love lift you above your grief.

April 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John and the Stinson family, As a parent, I feel and share your grief. May the Lord repose JJ's soul and comfort your hearts.

April 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear John, Eileen and Kerry - No words can ever express how sorry we are for your loss. J.J. was a wonderful young man who touched so many people's lives. May you find peace and comfort in each other, and in the thoughts and prayers of your extended family and many friends and neighbors. Our Deepest Condolences -

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“ JJ - God loves his innocent children most.... Now you hold His hand while sweeping your Wingtips from heaven to continue to help us on earth.

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“ I wanted to express my deep sympathy for you and your family during this difficult time. You don't know me but I got to know your wonderful son at St. Louis. I worked in the cafeteria and spent many lunches with him. He was a wonderful young man and always had smile on his face. He will be deeply missed, but I hope you receive comfort knowing that he is wrapped in God's loving embrace.

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“ Eileen, with heartfelt sympathy, I extend my prayers to you and your family for the loss of your son, J.J. I remember the glee in your eyes whenever you spoke about J.J., so I know how much he meant to you. Continue to rest in the Lord and he will surely comfort you and provide you everlasting peace. God Bless You, Janice - Former Co-Worker

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“ I met your son briefly when my wife and I were in Riva in late March. Our daughter Christine is with the Tech group in Riva and has shared her feelings about JJ. Christine also went to Bishop Ireton. My wife and I wish to express our heartfelt condolences to your family on the loss of your son. Christine and everyone we have spoken with at the villa in Riva have extolled the wonderful characteristics of JJ-his faith, love of music, inquisitive nature, and all around compassion and caring for his fellow students. From everything I have heard, JJ made a tremendous, and positive, impact on everyone he met. "One's life is not defined by longevity; nor does it carry weight through the acquisition of earthly possessions or power. Rather, it can only be measured by the degree to which one has embraced his peers, acknowledged his sins, and finally accepted eternal grace."

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“ Dear John, Aileen, and Kerry, Words cannot express the deep sorrow we have for the passing of JJ. Your son has touched so many lives through his many acts of faith, kindness, and compassion. His legacy will live on in our hearts and minds and those of many others. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. The Galindo Family Alexandria VA Yamile and Fadia St. Louis and Bishop Ireton Alumni

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“ I'm a work associate of Eileen's and only know JJ through the words posted here and the care Eileen gives her work family. While far too short - it appears JJ lived a conscious and full life. May his love continue to sustain his family in the depth of their grief. Love and warmth to Eileen. PS. I love the 'take out the BS' part.

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“ John, Words really fail to express how sorry I am for your family's loss. I pray that you will find comfort in each other during this difficult time.

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“ I wish to express my deepest condolences for your loss. JJ was a kind and remarkable individual; I will forever treasure the memories we shared together. He was unlike anyone I have ever met and I am a better person for having known him. You all are in my every thought and prayer during this time.

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“ For John and the Stinson extended family Finding the right words to express the thoughts and feelings associated with your tragic loss, is a task I must leave to our Council of Angels. I can not imagine your pain, and only hope the great infusion of love and kindness from your circles of friends will hold you up through these trying times. JJ had an intense level of kindness and maturity way beyond his years. We all could see it, he generated joy for all of us. John, you were his rock, his mentor in so many ways...as you will be again for his young friends in the future. Thank you for sharing JJ with us, he was a special son to many, Always, Shelley

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“ Dear Stinson Family, JJ was a wonderful young man, and in the few hours I spent with him, I saw a warm, intelligent and good-humored young man. I know he made you proud. As a parent, I know things will never be the same again, and the gap caused by his loss will never fill. But may happy memories of JJ remain with you as the gift to life that they were. Cathy Sheppard

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“ Dear John, Please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of your beloved son. The loss of a young adult child who has touched so many lives must be anguish beyond compare. May the Almighty God embrace and comfort you and your family in your time of sorrow.

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“ Our heartfelt sympathies are with all of you. Ed fondly remembers meeting JJ with John many times at Ft. Belvoir. May God's grace see you through this most difficult time.

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“ Eileen, I am so so sorry to hear of JJ's passing. I was at LTA on Wed. 4/11 when I heard and was so saddened. He was a wonderful young man and will be missed terribly. Love You, Barbara

April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathies to the family on the loss of your dear son. I did not have the privilege of meeting J.J. but I heard beautiful things about him from his father. Please be assured of my prayers and those of my Adrian Dominican Sisters. May J.J. rest in peace and may you all be filled with peace and consolation as the days of this Easter Season continue.

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“ J.J.'s face always radiated his inner joy, and it was contagious. Indeed, he touched the life of everyone who ever saw him. May God rest his beautiful soul in eternal peace!

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“ JJ was a shining example for our sons, Josh and Karl, at St. Louis, at Scouts and at Bishop Ireton. It could truly be said that you only ever heard good things about JJ Stinson. What a credit to his family and we give thanks to God who blessed him with such a wonderful personality. Our prayers and thoughts are with JJ, his family and friends during this difficult time.

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“ Eileen, John, and Kerry, Words can not convey how very sorry we are. Our family had the honor of seeing JJ grow up from his early days at St. Louis and we will always remember his intelligence, humor, and great kindness. What a wonderful young man! Michelle always looked up to JJ. She remembered how much she loved seeing JJ in the Ireton play, "God's Favorite" - because he really WAS, you know... Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. With love,

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“ JJ was one of the scouts I had the good fortune to help mentor through the Eagle Scout process. When he got bogged down choosing a project there was a three hour conference where Pam Johnson and I went over various ideas. When "Blankies for Preemies" was suggested he lit up. The idea of doing something for the smallest and most helpless of newborns was his delight. He took the idea, reached out to many and turned it into what is now a continuing project for the NICU unit at Fairfax hospital. Service and leadership came naturally to him. I don't think I ever saw him in a bad mood or unwilling to help a fellow scout.

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“ John, I have been offering a lot of Masses for you at St. Dominic's and elsewhere. So many of us are suffering keenly with you -- have been doing a lot of that, too. For what it's worth, I "heard" this at Mass yesterday: "What father would not want his son to be in heaven." God be with you. Rose Folsom

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“ I met JJ my first year at BI two years ago. He was not one of my students but he was a young man who impressed me very much. I got to spend a little time with him on the March for Life in Jan 2010 and then he found us on the march in Jan 2011 and I told him how much we missed him at BI. He did a lot to inspire me in my faith. What a kid! I was shocked when I read the news of his passing, screaming No! No! But my next thought was ... God was rejoicing at having JJ really close to Him now along with all of heaven. Not fair to us! We needed him to continue inspiring and leading us here on Earth. My most sincere condolences to his parents and family members. I imagine you are all really hurting now. May God console and comfort you!

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“ Dear John and family, Please accept my personal condolences on the passing away of you beloved son JJ As people of faith we know that in death, life is only changed not taken away. Our Lord called JJ back home to Himself and now JJ has no more sorrows, pains, or sadness. He is very much alive and well on a spiritual plane and is finally at peace, a peace that all of us will have when it is God's will for us to go back home. Yes I know that the human grief in losing a loved one does take time to heal and I will be keeping all of you in my daily prayers to help you with the loss. I will be saying mass for JJ God's Peace during this difficult time. fr Peter, OFM

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“ John - my most sincere condolences to you and your family. May you find hope and peace in this season of Easter. Know of my prayers for you and the family. Fr. Hayden CNEWA

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“ Eileen, Kerry, John Our deepest condolences for the very sad loss of your son and brother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. The Deegan family

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“ John, Eileen, and Kerry, My heart goes out to you in this time of tragic loss. JJ was clearly a catalyst for truth and goodness. He had already made quite an impact in the world; and he will continue to do so as he prays for us with the heavenly hosts. May God continue to bless you and be your source of neverending strength.

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“ *God's peace to the Stinson family. I am so sorry for your loss. JJ's work on earth has ended and he is now resting In Jesus's arms.*
Pauline Wade RN

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“ *Nothing can overcome this, John, except the joy of your memories, imagining the joy of his soul. and knowing that good will come to all who mourn his passing now and remember him always.*

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“ *Dear John, I have just learned of the tragic loss of your son. My heart goes out to you, and my prayers are with you. Katie*

April 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. Jeremiah 33:3. My prayers are with you and your family that God will hold you very close and comfort you as only He can.*

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“ I never saw him without a smile on his face. That continues to be the first thing I think. His joy and peaceful soul will be greatly missed. He was loved by all.

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“ What a wonderful young man! We had some fun times with Shakespeare at St. Louis. My heart aches for your loss, and what is lost to all of us. What a gift he was to all who knew him. God bless you, JJ!

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“ Eileen, Kerry, and John, I am so sorry, so sorry. I remember J.J. as he was growing up, from a little boy to a handsome young man. He loved music so much, and though I have lived away from Alexandria for a long time, I remember what a great kid he was. J.J. was a late bloomer, and he reminded me of myself for many reasons. I spend many days hiking in the Alps of Switzerland during the 10 years I was stationed in Europe, so I know what a beautiful place he was in. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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“ Our hearts go out to you as we honor the legacy that JJ left behind. What an amazing man to have touched so many lives in such a short time on this earth. He embodied all that that is good with the human spirit. God Bless you all.

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“ I can think of no finer example of the Catholic, Salesian values on which our school rests than J.J. Stinson. He applied his very many gifts unstintingly and achieved excellence in every facet of his life. Perhaps J.J.'s greatest gift was his ability to make everyone he encountered feel affirmed and welcome in his splendid presence. J.J. and his family will be ever in our prayers and J.J.'s indelible impact on all our lives will be forever treasured.

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“ Dear John, I have heard the terrible news of the tragic loss of your beloved son. Please be sure of my prayers for him, you and your family. I hope to see you in Washington this Saturday. Much love and prayers. Gabriel Delmonaco (CNEWA)

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“ My heart breaks with your loss as I turn to the only healer in the universe, our Lord, with prayers for comfort and healing.

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“ I dressed JJ in costumes for musicals and plays at BI. Never upset, never scared of pins, and always willing to make a joke in his boxers. His awkward faces, his laughter, and his endless (somehow, still honest) flattering are the strongest memories I have of him. JJ was truly a very good man, a delighted presence strengthened by his beliefs. He is loved and he is missed.

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“ I remember meeting JJ my freshman year. He was a senior that towered over me(which isn't that hard to do, considering I'm 5 ft tall). He was so nice and gave me a big hug just seconds after meeting him. He told me that he had met me once before, and when I asked him when, he told me to wait until the end of the school year and then he would tell me. At the end of the school year, he told me, and I found out that the reason that he waited to tell me was because it was when my family and I had been going through some tough emotional times, and he didn't want to bring the subject up when it was still so recent. He was sweet enough not to bring it up when we first met, and then it kinda became our joke over the school year, because I would always bug him and try to get him to tell me. He was my absolute favorite senior. He was my tall senior buddy. I remember how he would come up behind me in the halls and walk with me, with his arm resting on the top of my head as we walk down the hall. He was one of the sweetest people I have ever met. He and I shared a love of music. Sometimes I would walk down the hallway singing to myself, and he would come up behind me, rest his arm on my head as per usual, and start singing along. Today was the first time I let myself cry for him, and it came like a flood. I hadn't cried yet, because it hurts too much to think about, he was one of my best friends, and now he's gone, so I've been occupying myself to avoid letting it cross my mind. It's almost as if I refuse to believe that he is truly gone, because I so desperately want that to be so. I don't want to say goodbye, I'm not ready to. I will never forget JJ. He made such an impact on my life. He taught me to keep my head up, even when I wanted nothing more than to just break down and cry. He helped me feel good about myself, even when I was constantly being bullied. He was one of my best friends. He made such a big impact on so many lives. He was an inspiration to many. I don't think

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“ JJ a wonderful and rare person. Mary was his Cub Scout leader and treasures her memories of working with JJ and these young boys. I was one of his Boy Scout leaders and having worked with young men in Scouts for 25 years I can tell you that JJ was among the best. He worked toward and earned the top Eagle Scout rank. As he worked toward that goal, I asked him once when he was the Scout leader (Senior Patrol Leader), how he was progressing. His answer was a simple men for others one; he said he was so busy with being the troop Senior Patrol Leader that he was making that responsibility his primary Scout goal. In other words, his priority was his fellow Scouts during his leadership tenure. When one our children needed a ride to school for a time, JJ was happy to help. Every time we talked with JJ he was unfailingly upbeat and cheerful, a treasure of a person. It is an honor and a privilege to have known and worked with JJ.

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“ Diana and I can't even begin to express in words our most sincere regrets and heartfelt sorrow for you. Our Lord knows the pain you are feeling, but He has also promised us an end to all sorrow, pain, and feelings of loss. I know it's not much comfort right now, but please keep the faith and know that His promises are ALWAYS kept. I wish Diana and I had gotten to meet JJ - what a wonderful young man he must have been. You should be proud of the young man he was, and the inspiration he was to so many people.

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“ My heart is breaking for you!!! I will be praying for you and your family!

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“ John, My deepest condolences to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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“ Dear John and Family, May God guide you in this saddest moment of your life! May He fill your soul with the Risen glory that your son is blessed with! Prayers...

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“ John, My condolences to you and your family. There isn't any words that would make this easy but I would like you to know that God does not make mistakes and he will bring you and your family through this.Be blessed and you are in my prayers.

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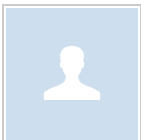
“ Dear Eileen and John, Nicholas and I are so sorry to hear of JJ's loss and we offer our sincere condolences. We will keep you and JJ in our thoughts and prayers. Please do not hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can do for you. God Bless, Nicholas and Joyce Babiak EOHSJ

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“ My Deepest condolences to you and your family. I hope the happy memories are helping you through these difficult times. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Take Care

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“ John, My deepest sympathies to you and your family in the loss of your son. Please know that he is in my prayers.

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“ Dear John, Sorry for your lose, it's not only your lose but lose to entire family,his friends,your friends and everyone knows JJ. The only thing we can do now is to pray for his soul to be rest in peace in the heaven and pray for you to have all the patient and the power to help you overcome this lose. You are always in our thoughts and in our hearts V/R Sadeq

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“ You have our deepest sympathy and you and your family are in our thoughts.

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“ Eileen: There are no words that can express my deep sorrow for your loss of a child and son. Please take comfort in remembering the great times you had with your son. I do believe we will all meet again in heaven.

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“ John, my heart truly goes out to you and your family. I pray that God will give you and your family the strength to bear this grief. Please let me know if I can be of any help to. Take care. Katherine

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“ Hello John, I am praying with your family. No words are sufficient so I beseech the Spirit's comfort and presence with your family and friends during this time. Blessings, Harriet.

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“ *The Stinson Family, With sincere sympathy on the untimely loss of JJ. He was a fine young man. We will always remember his smile and positive outlook.*

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“ *John, my prayers goes out to you and your family in these difficult times. God strength is made perfect in our weakness. May God Bless you Linda*

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“ *DEAR JOHN, SIR; MY HEART IS WEIGHED DOWN BY YOUR LOSS AND GRIEF. YOU AND FAMILY ARE DEFINITELY IN MY PRAYERS. ALTHOUGH COMFORTING WORDS ARE DIFFICULT TO FIND,IF EVER THEY EXISTED AT TIMES LIKE THIS, I DO OFFER THE FOLLOWING, IN WHICH I ALWAYS FIND COMFORT: PHILIPPIANS 4:7: AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH PASSETH ALL UNDERSTANDING, SHALL KEEP YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS THROUGH CHRIST JESUS. 4:13: I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHICH STRENGTHENETH ME. VERY RESPECTFULLY, ARNIE FIELDS (703) 418-0053*

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“ *Dear John, These are very diffucult times for you and your sarrow is great, but the Lord, God almighty is with you, and as Psalm 25 says:" Onto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul." God be with you and help you in the name of our Savior Jesus. Leila*

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“ Our hearts go out to the family on the loss of this young man with so much promise. Our prayers will be said now and this Sunday for the repose of JJ's soul and for God's blessings on his family during a very difficult time.

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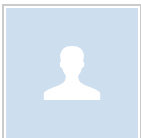
“ Hello, I trully am sorry for your loss. J.J. was a shining light here at BI. He came down the hall and said hi to all with a huge smile on his face. He was friendly and uplifting. I loved his performances in the plays and I saw them all. I hope you find some solace in knowing he was loved by many.

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“ JJ embodied all of the traits that we teach at Ireton in a very positive, very thoughtful way. We are proud of his achievements and will miss him here tremendously.

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“ Dear John, i am sorry for your loss....i am praying for you and your family. may he rest in peace... love,

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“ JJ was one of my best friends, even though I only had one year of school with him. I remember meeting JJ my freshman year. He was a senior that towered over me (which isn't that hard to do, considering I'm 5 ft tall). He was so nice and gave me a big hug, just seconds after meeting him. He always greeted me with a smile whenever I saw him. I remember how often times when I was walking down the hallway, he would come up behind me and use my head as an armrest, and we'd have silly conversations about the most random things. He was one of the funniest and kindest people I have ever met. I will never ever forget him. He made such an impact on my life. He taught me to keep my head up, even when I wanted nothing more than to just break down and cry. He helped me feel good about myself, even when I was constantly being bullied. He was an inspiration to many. It was impossible not to love JJ, he was one of the greatest people I have ever had the honor of knowing.

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“ To the Stinson Family, May loving memories sustain you during this most difficult time. No doubt that J.J., in all his goodness and kindness, is with God in Heaven. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Tha Moglia Family

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“ Please accept our most sincere condolences. Although we did not know JJ, our hearts go out to you, his family, during this time of great suffering. May you find peace in the memories you will cherish forever. God Bless You All.

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“ So sorry to hear of JJ's passing. We remember the energetic young man who accompanied his father many years ago to our Toy Train Module Group.

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“ Eileen, I am sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

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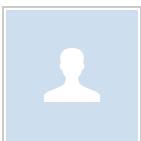
“ To the Stinson family: We are so sorry, and will continue to pray for the happy repose of JJ's soul, and for God's grace to help you through this tragedy.

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“ Eileen, caring thoughts and heartfelt sympathy for you and your family. May God continue blessing you.

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“ JJ left a longlasting impression on every person he met during his too short stay with us. That is due to his faith, loving family, and tremendously generous spirit. Kelsey, Nick and I knew and enjoyed him always.

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“ Eileen and Family, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of JJ. He was a wonderful young man. I will never forget him. JJ was so kind and always willing to give a helping hand. I remember the G8 picnic and how JJ helped me. He will be truly missed.

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“ JJ was the Senior Patrol Leader to Troop 680. His calm and cheerful demenaor was a wonderful influence on the boys and it tempered the discipline of the adult leaders. He was also a great friend to my whole family. We will all miss him greatly. WWJJD? Words to live by.

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“ Praying for your family.

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“ Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this incredibly heartbreaking time.

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“ We will keep you and your family in our prayers.

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“ Eileen and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Keep with you the wonderful memories, smiles and laughter.

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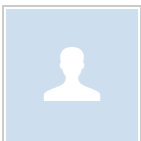
“ I was J.J.'s advisor when he first arrived to Virginia Tech. I will always remember his inquisitiveness, his sense of humor, his intelligence, and that smile . . .who could ever forget that smile. After our advising sessions, we often talked about what we would and *could* do to make the world a better place. J.J. just being J.J. made the world a better place. I only knew him for two years, but knowing him has made me a better person. With heavy heart I send my prayers and condolences to his family.

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“ My sincerest regards go out to the Stinson Family for this sad occasion. J.J. was a wonderful young man who was loved by all and made a lasting impression with everyone he met. I will never forget his kindness over the 8 years I went to school with him and the years of beautiful productions he was a part of that followed. May he rest in peace with his father in heaven. Xoxo

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“ Dear John and Eileen, We were all so saddened to hear of JJ's loss. Know that we will keep both of you and JJ in our thoughts and prayers. Let us know if there is any way that we can assist. Most Sincerely, Rose and John Ballard, EOHSJ

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“ No matter how slight the meeting, you walked away a better person for having been with J.J. He was a wonderful young man and all our lives are brighter for having known him. May the love he carried forward help his family deal with their loss, and teach his friends to live fuller, brighter, happier lives in his honor.

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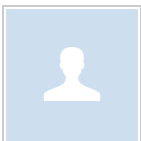
“ You are in my prayers.

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“ John I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. Be that as it may, I cannot refrain from tendering you my deepest condolences for your son's passing from this life to a homecoming with his Heavenly Father. It is my hope and prayer that your JJ's soul reposes among God's own elect. I pray that the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord be gracious to you, lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. The heart remembers most what it has loved best. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost JJ. May the memories of your JJ comfort you and bring you peace. Wishing you the strength to sustain you during this very difficult time and the healing that soothes both mind and spirit.

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“ John, I am so sorry for your loss. Words cannot express how bad I feel. If there is anything I can do please let me know. Ed

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“ *Aileen and Family, Please receive the Montanez Family condolence. Please gain strength in God. Read Psalms 46:1-3 -- God is our refuge even in the face of total destruction. He is not merely a temporary retreat, he is our eternal refuge and can provide strength in any circumstance. May God give you strength and courage through these difficult times. IM*

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“ *Melissa and I have both you, Kerry and the family in our thoughts and prayers.*

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“ *Eileen, please know you have our heart felt condolences and symathy. You are in our prayers and may the Good Lord bring you strength and healing Jim and Diane*

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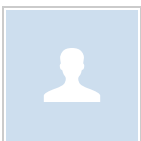
“ Though I never had the honor of meeting your son, he has had a positive impact on my son Jeremiah, one of the three young men that shared a room in Riva with your beloved son JJ. They enjoyed a mutual passion for music and sharing the joy of life with others through their God-given talents. Jeremiah speaks highly of JJ and I know he will be missed by all who knew him. As a parent I cannot imagine the heaviness of heart you are experiencing at this time, which is increased by the additional burden of logistics. I pray God will give you the grace and mercy to sustain you through this difficult time and the days ahead. God's word tells us that those who know Him do not weep as those who have no hope. May He comfort you and fill you with His perfect peace.

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“ I wish I had the words that could comfort you, but know that I don't. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Peace be with you.

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“ Eileen, John & Kerry, There are no words that can express the profound sorrow Jennifer & I feel for the loss of JJ. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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“ Words are not adequate to express the sorrow I feel for your loss. I cant imagine a pain more far-reaching and deeper than losing a child. JJ was an inspiration to many who were blessed and lucky to have known his beauty. My heart and prayers go out to you at this most difficult time.

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“ There is no way to console parents upon the loss of a child. Only great faith will bring any acceptance and understanding. Knowing that you have caring friends and loving support is a gift to be cherished. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, The Giglios

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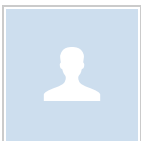
“ Eileen, I am at a loss for words to express my sadness at this news. Cathy and I and my daughters have you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. Kurt Struder

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“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time of sadness. While it is a difficult time, take heart in the knowledge that J.J. is safe and secure in the arms of his loving Lord and Father.

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“ Dear John and Eileen, I know words can not adequately express the sense of loss at the death of JJ. Know that you and JJ are in our prayers. Let us know if there is anything we can do in the days ahead. Most Sincerely, Mike Andriani

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“ Eileen, you and your family have my most heartfelt condolences. You know that John, Matt and I understand all too well what you are going thru...I am so sorry for your loss. He was such a pleasure to meet in Philadelphia....

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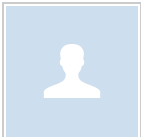
“ A wonderful, loving young man who touched even the parents of his friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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“ To JJ's family, We will keep you and JJ in our prayers.

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“ Dear Eileen...my heart and prayers go out to you and your family. JJ is in the hearts and minds of so many in the Alexandria Community.

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“ Eileen, Words can not express how heart broken I am for you and your family over the loss of JJ. He was a wonderful young man who touched so many with his kindness and sense of humor. He will always live your heart.

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“ A wonderful young man who will leave a hole in the hearts of all who loved him - and that was everyone who knew him. Heaven is an even happier, brighter place with JJ there!

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“ We are praying for you with the knowledge that in Heaven there will be a reunion of loved ones. You will see JJ again.

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“ My deepest and heartfelt sympathy to the Stinson family.

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“ John, my condolences to you and your family during this time. I was so sorry to hear of your son and cannot imagine the pain that runs through your heart. We are all thinking about you here at SA-44.

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“ Dear John, Eileen, and Kerry, May God rest the soul of your dear brother John Benson Stinson, Jr. and give you peace of mind and many fond memories of J.J.. If there is anything that we may help you with, please let us know. Yours, Chuck and Kristyne Kilgore, and Kathryn Arvanis. 13 April 2012

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“ Dear John and family: Our hearts are heavy with grief for you and your extended family in the loss of your son, John Stinson, Jr. May God heal your soul, in time; help you to remember the good times; and honor his memory. Having lost a young man in our family at 17, we understand and grieve with you. We so appreciated meeting you at St. Luke's Catholic Church in AZ recently with Bishop Habash and Juliana. In Christ's love, Les and Roz Pearson

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“ Dearest John: We have been impacted by JJ's death especially when you out of your heart of gold and holiness you allowed us to share your home and your son JJ until we were back on our feet. We shared meals-conversations and a love for the spirit within JJ. I will never forget how respectful he was of calling me always Mr. Molina and had the patience of a Saint putting up with my life stories. We also remember the evening we attended his school play. We feel as if we have also lost a son whose life dreams was to help those around him. Words can not express our grief and we will be at your side with our prayers. In Jesus's name Arthur-Jane-Isaac and Simon.

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“ Dearest John: We have been impacted by JJ's death especially when you out of your heart of gold allowed us to live with you and JJ for 6 months until we were back on our feet. We shared meals-conversations and a love for the spirit within JJ. I will never forget how respectful he was of me calling me always Mr. Molina and had the patience of a Saint putting up with my life stories. We feel as if we have also lost a son whose life dreams was to help those around him. Words can not express our grief and we will be at your side with our prayers. In Jesus's name Arthur-Jane-Isaac and Simon.

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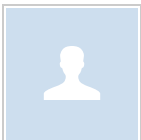
“ John, I feel your pain and pray that God heals your suffering soon. My condolences and remember, John believe in Christ and even if he is gone he shall live and some day you will be re-united....take care and call on me should you need any thing Zeke

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“ Dearest John, If only Heaven could have waited just a bit longerbut it needed an Angel. I pray that the Lord above grant you and your family peace and comfort through this very difficult time. I write these words with such a heavy heart. Please accept my deepest condolences.

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“ John, just know you are in my heart, thoughts and prayers.

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“ JJ, you are my adopted son, inseparable from my blood sons. From when we 1st moved to Virginia in Jan 1999 you were on our 1st St. Louis Chess Club, 3rd Team Captain only behind Billy & Johnny, you're one of the best players I've coached. Two things stick with me through my tears: You, Johnny and Sammy going to the Super Nationals Chess Tournament in Tennessee together, and you telling me before you went to Switzerland that "Mr. T, you scare me when I hear about your neck still giving problems, I'm scared you won't be with us soon." Well Son, you beat me to it, I lost you forever, and you'll always be in my Family's prayers. Heavens certainly got the best we have to offer on earth at a very early age.

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“ So sorry for your loss. If I can help in any way....

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