

## Matthew Daniel Wilkison

April 29, 1988 - September 16, 2021

Matthew D. Wilkison, 33, of Chicago, went home to be with the Lord Thursday September 16, 2021 at AMITA St. Francis Hospital in Evanston. He was born in Elgin, April 29, 1988, the son of Glenn and Darlene (Delaney) Wilkison. Matthew had attended school in the West Aurora School District. He was a Support Manager for Wal-Mart in Aurora, and then became Assistant Manager for Wal-Mart in Rock Falls, and then Chicago. He had also been an assistant Manager for Big Lots, as well as an independent driver for Lyft during the past 5 years.

Matthew was an avid video gamer, especially enjoying playing Shen-Mue and other wrestling games. He will be missed by his Chihuahua, Emmy.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents; two uncles Donald Delaney and Lloyd Wilkison; his aunt Elaine Delaney.

Survivors include his parents of Aurora; his sister Ashley Wilkison of St.

Charles; his niece Anailia; 2 uncles Daniel (Jennifer) Delaney and Dennis Delaney; his step-grandmother Florence Wilkison; his fiancée Jacob Martinez of Chicago, and many cousins and friends.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at 3:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY. Memorial visitation will be held on Saturday from 1:00 until 3:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St, Aurora, Illinois 60506. 630-631-5500.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

OCT **23**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew Daniel Wilkison



Daleiden Mortuary - October 18, 2021 at 03:10 PM

PM

Beautiful tribute to Matt. Loved seeing all the photos of Matt and his family.

Penny Morsch - October 22, 2021 at 09:49 PM

AD

That was beautifully done. The pictures were great. He looked happy 😊

Amanda Douglas - October 23, 2021 at 05:15 PM

JD

“ I don't really have a memory of a moment just that I remember what a beautiful loving child he was. I remember his heart until he didn't have one. It was almost like it was taken from him long ago. But I wished for him every day. Then he found love and I prayed it was the healing kind. And it wasn't! Then he found love and I prayed it was the healing kind AND THEN IT WASN'T. Then it wasn't and I cried. I don't really know more, I just hope that heaven opens their arms and they see his child's heart and they welcome him, and then he finds Love and it's real and he doesn't have to wonder because he knows.

*St.Francis knows and his heart is restored to the beauty it once was. In God's name I PRAY.*

*LORD PLEASE SEE THE LOVING SON MATHEW AND KNOW HE IS YOURS. HE NEEDS YOUR HEAVEN. He trusted and he trusted and he needs you now.*

*Amen*

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**Jennifer S Delaney** - October 23, 2021 at 05:32 PM

JZ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Joan Zima** - October 20, 2021 at 07:30 PM

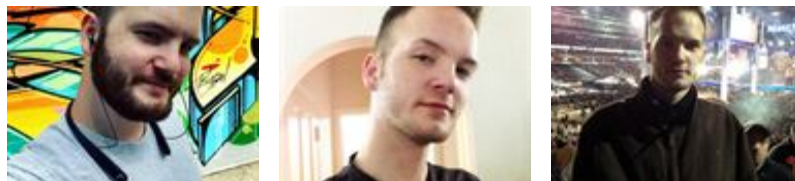
JZ

*Matt and I meet over 9 years ago when he came for a interview at Big lots I was a cashier at the time he came in asked for the manager and as he waited for him we talked and hit it off immediately then he got the job and we worked together extremely well,we had fun at work and we did our work too.....our first inventory together was so crazy I had to show him how to look unmarked items in the system and make labels for them etc .....We enjoyed many Wrestling Events together at his place with Jacob making us all a great dinner ,we had some awesome times together and some difficult ones too.....but he was always there to help no matter what day or time it was .....if he couldn't sleep he would text me and if I was up we would talk til we got tired .....we talked on a daily basis and texted too.....I really miss our talks but I have to say I enjoyed every one of them.....he had a heart of gold .....I am going to miss him greatly , already do .....our morning texts , evening good night,home safe ,talk in morning.....u will always be in my heart...,I will never forget u.....love u my friend hugs 🤗🤗 till we meet again 💙💜💛🥹💔🥹u had a hear of gold .....and I'm am glad to call you my friend BFF 💜💛💛*

Joan Zima - October 20, 2021 at 07:39 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - October 18, 2021 at 09:43 AM



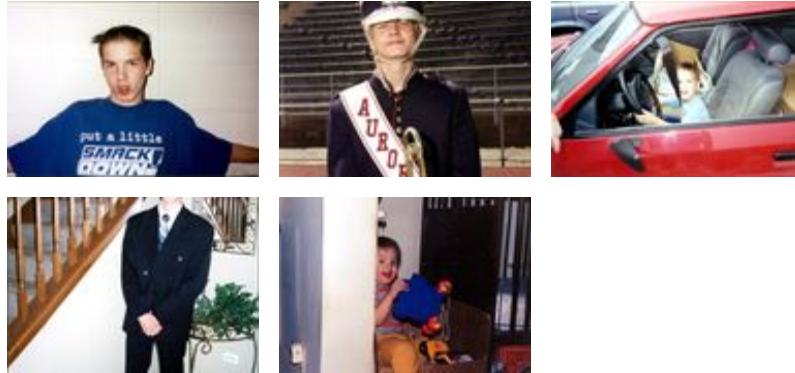
“ Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Matthew Daniel Wilkison.



October 16, 2021 at 10:14 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - October 15, 2021 at 05:28 PM

JD

*He was an angel to many*

Jennifer S Delaney - October 23, 2021 at 05:33 PM

AH

“ *I met Matt when I was 5 years old. We lived a few houses apart. We were instantly best friends. After middle school we drifted a part some but always maintained checking in via social media every now and again. When I found out Matt wasn't going to pull through my heart sank and the childhood memories flooded my head. The one that sticks out the most is when we made a Kmart in his parents basement. We even had the cafe and his mom would make us grilled cheeses. Matt had an amazing imagination and that's what attracted people to him. He had a lust for life and a way of fully accepting anyone no matter how they chose to identify. He was the most caring big brother to his little sister Ashley. He was a son who tried his very best to be the best son he could to his parents. Matt left an amazing mark on this world and to the people lucky enough to have met him. I will love you and miss you!*

Ashley Nicole Hunt - October 02, 2021 at 09:48 AM

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**Ashley Nicole Hunt** - October 02, 2021 at 09:47 AM

DW

“ I remember how you gave me trouble even before you were born. You were one stubborn baby, and you never lost that stubbornness. I remember your laughter, smiles and kisses and hugs, and I will always remember that face. Rest my angel, you are now at peace.

Mom

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**Darlene Wilkison** - September 21, 2021 at 10:56 PM

MN

Sorry for your loss, I known Matt from the Uber and Lyft world. We were good friends I wish I could have came over more.

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**Matthew Nalett** - October 08, 2021 at 07:04 AM

JZ

*I meet Matt when he came in for interview for Big Lots I was the first person he spoke with and we talked until the store manager came up ,he got the job there and we instantly became friends and we're friends thru thick and thin,we watched many Wrestling Events together at his place and many long nites of just talking he had a great gift to gab.....we shared alot good and bad he loved his family dearly and loved driving for Lyft ....We had a special kind of friendship and could tell each other anything and everything.....I miss him and our talks so much and our texting.....u will always be on my heart ,I will always love u my friend.....and never forget u.....RIP Silverbullet 1.....Baby Blue 💙💙*

Joan Zima - October 20, 2021 at 05:53 PM

AM

*“ Matt when I needed someone to talk to you was one I talked to, when my life was dark you would call me and we would talk until we both feel better, when I seen that you passed away I felt my heart breaking in felt so heavy I cried and cried. Thanks for being there and thanks being a friend the last thing I said to you was “ I love you “ and you said “ I love you too”*

*Rest easy my friend and tell my dad I said hi*

a friend of Matts - September 21, 2021 at 08:05 PM

AW

*“ I remember scraping my knee as a kid and Matt ran inside for a band-aid. I knew from then on he would always be my protector. Protect me from heaven now bubby I love you.*

Ashley Wilkison - September 20, 2021 at 04:20 PM