



## Zayden Henry Walton

July 22, 2008 - May 2, 2024

Zayden Henry Walton, 15, of Perryville, Missouri passed away Thursday, May 2, 2024.

He was born July 22, 2008 in Perryville, MO to Kaycee (Hedge) Walton.

Zayden successfully completed his middle school education at PCSD #32 and then began home schooling for the past two years.

Zayden enjoyed spending time with his son, family, sister Lillee and "Bonus Brother" CJ. His love for art gave his soul a brightness, and in return; his smile became the light for others. Zayden always knew when others needed to be lifted because of his bright spirit. Zayden also found peace in music and often stated, money can't buy happiness; he spent a lot of time "vibin" and drawing on his iPad. Zayden created many moments of happiness and touched the lives of many others.

As a young father, Zayden took full responsibility for his son and spent many days smiling, playing, and cheering on his child. He often told him "good job!" and clapped for his tiny successes. Zayden's love for him was untouchable.

Survivors include his mother "Momma", step-father, Michael Cornelius; son, Taven Walton; sister, Lillee Gaulding; grandmother, Cindy "Mammie" Hedge;

two aunts, Kaylin "Sissy" Hedge, Abby "Aunt Abby" (Carlton) Hamette; uncle, Seth "Gator" Little; two great aunts, Sherry "Aunt Sherry" Bodenschatz, Anna Marie "Aunt Sis" Berkbuegler;

He was preceded in death by maternal grandfather, Delmer "PaPa" Hedge, Jr.; maternal great grandparents, Fred & Hazel Bodenschatz; maternal great grandfather, Delmer Hedge, Sr; uncle, Ricky Hedge.

"It's so much darker when a light goes out than it would have been if it had never shone." - John Steinbeck

Visitation will be from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Friday, May 10, 2024 at Ford & Young Funeral Home in Perryville.

A brief memorial service will be held at 6:00 pm Friday, May 10, 2024 at Ford & Young Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be given for family use.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 10. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home  
110 S. West St.  
Perryville, MO 63775

## Memorial service

MAY 10. 6:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home  
110 S West Street  
Perryville, MO 63775

# Tribute Wall

AN

“ *Anonymous lit a candle in memory of Zayden Henry Walton*



Anonymous - May 24, 2024 at 04:55 PM

AU

“ *Kaycee and family, we are so very sorry for your loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Please reach out for help during this very difficult time!*

Alan and Mary Unterreiner - May 10, 2024 at 01:02 PM

TF

“ *The Byrne family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Zayden Henry Walton.*

The Byrne family - May 10, 2024 at 07:49 AM

TF

“ *The Byrne family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Zayden Henry Walton.*



The Byrne family - May 10, 2024 at 07:49 AM

JS

“ *My heartfelt condolences to your family.*

judilynn sanzzone - May 10, 2024 at 06:23 AM

AG

“ *Alexander, Beth, & Gavin purchased the Chinese Dogwood Tree for the family of Zayden Henry Walton.*



Alexander, Beth, & Gavin - May 09, 2024 at 09:27 PM

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“ *Alexander, Beth, & Gavin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Zayden Henry Walton.*

Alexander, Beth, & Gavin - May 09, 2024 at 09:27 PM

YF

“ *Your Trendline Family purchased the "Arms of an Angel" Picture Perfect 27" Chime for the family of Zayden Henry Walton.*



Your Trendline Family - May 09, 2024 at 04:55 PM

BF

“ *Bob, Matt, Jessica, Dani, and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Zayden Henry Walton.*

Bob, Matt, Jessica, Dani, and families - May 09, 2024 at 09:39 AM

BF

“ *Bob, Matt, Jessica, Dani, and families purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Zayden Henry Walton.*



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**Bob, Matt, Jessica, Dani, and families** - May 09, 2024 at 09:39 AM