



Elijah N. Sharma

February 7, 1991 - November 23, 2013

Elijah N. Sharma, 22, was born into Eternal Life Saturday, November 23, 2013. Born in New Hartford, NY, on February 7, 1991, he was the cherished and beloved son of Angel R. & Anita K. (Sharma) Luckina.

Elijah attended Sacred Heart School in Utica, NY, until his family relocated to Guilderland, NY, in September 2001. Elijah graduated from Guilderland High School in May 2009. Thereafter, he attended Hudson Valley Community College and UAlbany, graduating in May 2013 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science and Communications, cum laude. He was preparing to attend law school.

As a young person, Elijah attended Redeemer church. It was there he learned the love of Jesus and it became second nature for him to always put others first. Elijah was best known for his unwavering advocacy against injustice. He was a black belt in Tae Kwon Do and directed that personal discipline towards the betterment of others. Elijah served as the Northeast Regional Director for the Young Democrats, through which he was invited to attend President Obama's inauguration; he interned with NYSCOBAs in Albany, NY, and PETA in Washington, DC (Elijah was a dedicated vegan and animal rights enthusiast), where he was honored with an Outstanding Activist Award; he was appointed to serve as Student Trustee of the Board of Trustees for Hudson Valley Community College; and he was a two time candidate for the

Guilderland School Board. Elijah's volunteer activities are just too extensive to detail. Elijah loved people, all people, and it was his desire to serve them. Elijah also greatly loved the Capital Region. He wanted to spend his life here, and he did.

Surviving are his parents, Angel & Anita (Sharma) Luckina; sister, Grace; grandparents, Dr. Yogendra & Kathleen Sharma and Norberto & Donna Rosado; aunts and uncles, Latika Sharma, Dr. Krishn & Sara Sharma, Dr. Aaron & Andrea Sharma, Donald & Tina (Rosado) Bailey, Carmecita Rosado, and Norberto Rosado.

Elijah is also survived by great aunts and uncles and cousins too numerous to name. But all loved Elijah and all were loved dearly by him.

Elijah's love for others touched countless people over the years and he made many friends, including long-time childhood friends Graziella, Corrina, McKenzie, and Brie. But one friend, Carmen N. Branca, III, shared a special place in Elijah's heart. Thank you Carmen for all you did for Elijah.

Elijah is also survived by his cat, Apollo.

We give thanks to God for allowing us the privilege of sharing Elijah's life. Elijah was a precious gift that showed us the way to Jesus, the most precious gift of all. We did nothing to deserve these gifts.

We also want say thank you to all our family, including our Redeemer family, and friends for the outpouring of love and support.

Funeral services, Friday, November 29, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 N. Allen St., Albany with interment following in Albany Rural Cemetery.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call on Wednesday, November 27, 2013, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

To leave a special message for the family on their guest book, obtain directions or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the International Justice Mission,
PO Box 96961
Washington, DC 20090-6961

Cemetery Details

Albany Rural Cemetery

68 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY 12204

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Elijah N. Sharma*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Elijah N. Sharma*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to you and your family during this difficult time. May the words found at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort during this time "He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

Montana - July 25, 2016 at 09:37 PM

MD

“ I just found out about Elijah and I am so sad. I had the pleasure of meeting him through Guilderhaven years ago when he and Corinne helped with one of our bake and book sales. We talked a lot. I knew about his family and I think he told me about his dog. I just thought he was the coolest young man, with the wild curly hair and these big sunglasses. It was so easy to talk to him and he was funny. I ran into him again at the first Vegetarian Expo at Saratoga NY with his friend Corinne. I just knew these kids were smart and talented and were going to do great things in life. I loved their passion for animals. My heart breaks to hear of this. My sympathy to his family and friends. I am so glad I had the honor of meeting him.

Marge Donohue - December 17, 2013 at 10:04 PM

DJ

“ Elijah was one of the most talented student to cross my path, he was simply an over-achiever and a bright shining star; I send my deepest sympathies.

Dr. Paul E Calarco, Jr. - December 03, 2013 at 09:44 AM

CP

“ To all your family Elijah at this very sad time

*Don't think of him as gone away
his journey's just begun
life holds so many facets
the earth is only one.*

*Just think of him as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort
where there are no days or years.*

*Think how he must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.*

*And think of him as living
in the hearts of those he touched
for nothing loved is ever lost
and he was loved so much.*

From your very sad family in England

Chris and Reynold Powell - November 29, 2013 at 12:18 PM

KS

“ Krishn Sharma lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma



Krishn Sharma - November 28, 2013 at 07:19 PM

AL

“ *Elijah, you'll always be my special Angel. With love, aunt Cathy.* ”



Aunt Cathy Luckina - November 28, 2013 at 07:12 PM

AL

“ *Aunt Cathy Luckina lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma* ”



Aunt Cathy Luckina - November 28, 2013 at 06:52 PM

DH

“ *Doris Harf lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma* ”



Doris Harf - November 28, 2013 at 06:50 PM

MH

“ *Mark Harf lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma* ”



Mark Harf - November 28, 2013 at 06:48 PM

JK

“ Jennifer Kennedy lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma



Jennifer Kennedy - November 28, 2013 at 11:59 AM

CH

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Chloe Halliday - November 28, 2013 at 09:58 AM

NP

“ Dear sweet Elijah with the beautiful brown eyes, you will be deeply
and sadly missed by Nannie and Papa.

Nannie and Papa - November 28, 2013 at 09:52 AM

PT

“ Dear Sharma Family,
Elijah was a good friend of mine. He was such a good kid. He
always put his heart into everything he did and cared about others
dearly. He was always trying to help causes promoting them in
GHS. He always knew how to put a smile on my face and no one
could make me laugh harder than him. My favorite memory with him
was in our 9th grade art class together. He kept making jokes and
we couldn't stop laughing. Tears were coming from our eyes we
were laughing so hard. The teacher got so frustrated with us cause
our laughing was "disrupting the class". But it was worth it. He had
made a wonderful memory and put a smile on our faces. So many
more memories with Elijah. He was so young and didn't deserve
death with his whole life ahead of him. I will keep you in my prayers.
God Bless

Paige Taylor - November 28, 2013 at 08:04 AM

BA

“ Dear Anita and family,
Please accept my most sincere condolences on the loss of you son.
My heart goes out to you.

Sincerely,
Beth Aretsky

beth aretsky - November 28, 2013 at 07:53 AM

AC

“ Angel, Anita, & Grace. You're all in our thoughts & prayers. Allison, Jody, Jason, & Stephanie, Love you all with all our heart. R.i.p. Elijah. I wish I could of gotten to know you.

Allison Colon-Cousin - November 28, 2013 at 06:52 AM

AC

“ Angel, Anita, & Grace, You all are in our thoughts & prayers. Allison, Jody, Jason, & Stephanie, Love you all with all our heart. R.I.P. Elijah, wish I could of gotten to know you.

Allison Colon - November 28, 2013 at 06:46 AM

ZT

“ I didn't know Elijah personally, but he was well known throughout Guilderland for how very passionate he was about every single thing he did. I hope that I can live as passionately as he has.

Zack Tolmie - November 27, 2013 at 10:57 PM

GM

“ My heart is breaking for this family - no parent needs to go through this - thoughts and prayers are with you all

guilderland mom - November 27, 2013 at 08:44 PM

BO

“ Our beloved Anita and Angel and Katie and Y.D., Barbara and I send out greatest sympathy and prayers for God's comfort and healing for each one of you at Elijah's unspeakable loss -- and our lasting thanks for the blessing of his life. You are always in our prayers and our hearts.

Barbara and Bill Oliver - November 27, 2013 at 05:23 PM

DT

“ May God's love and all your wonderful memories comfort you with the loss of your son Elijah. We are thinking of you and sending love and prayers.
Dannie and Jim Taylor

Dannie Taylor - November 27, 2013 at 04:33 PM

TH

“ Tammy Hubbard lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma



tammy hubbard - November 27, 2013 at 03:39 PM

CA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with My nephew,Angel, Niece/Anita and great niece Grace. My heart aches for all of you. May the good Lord be by your side and give you the comfort and strength. Elijah, you left at such a young age and the hearts will take a long time to heal. Your were precious, are precious and will always be in my mind, body and soul. My heart will keep you within me forever. Your spirit will live with in us all. love you forever Aunt Claudia, Uncle hank and cousin Donald.

Claudia Trad- Great Aunt - November 27, 2013 at 03:25 PM



“ *Jacquelyn Carlomusto lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma*



Jacquelyn Carlomusto - November 27, 2013 at 12:48 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you*

Alison Powell



alison powell - November 27, 2013 at 12:38 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. May God help ease your pain and sorrow. God bless you all!*

Marissa Balch - November 27, 2013 at 11:50 AM

JC

“ Angel, Anita nothing I or anyone can say can ease the pain in your hearts. Just know we love you all, I am and have been praying for you, ours is not to ask nor understand why the lord brought Elijah home. I can only think that he needed a special Angel so he took the sweetest, most amazing person he could have ever created,.Altho you only had Eli such a short time, you did an amazing job in raising a fine young man, he was a wonderful person to everyone , a special son, a super big brother and a beautiful person. He will always be with you in spirit and in your hearts but he walks with his Heavenly Father now waiting for the day we are all rejoined. If you need anything, ask, even if you just need someone to listen, cry to or lean on, I have strong shoulders. Thoughts and Prayers to you and Little Grace.



Jacquelyn Carlomusto - November 27, 2013 at 10:49 AM

NW

“ Noreen Wood Wiater lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



Noreen Wood Wiater - November 27, 2013 at 09:27 AM

LI

“ Lisa lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



lisa - November 27, 2013 at 08:51 AM

DF

“ *D'Ascoli Family lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma*



D'Ascoli Family - November 27, 2013 at 08:12 AM

RL

“ *Robert Lamontain lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma*



Robert Lamontain - November 27, 2013 at 07:31 AM

DC

“ *Donna & Phil Cagle lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma*



Donna & Phil Cagle - November 27, 2013 at 07:25 AM

TF

“ *The Traina Family lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma*



The Traina Family - November 27, 2013 at 07:03 AM

SW

“ Sue Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



Sue Wiggins - November 27, 2013 at 05:09 AM

ER

“ Ellen And Lucy Roesch lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



Ellen and Lucy Roesch - November 26, 2013 at 09:57 PM

RR

“ Elijah was a sweet young man I remember him from Sacred Heart School where he and my son Corey became friends and were in the cub scouts together. I remember him an the rest of the group making wind chimes in my kitchen. To his parents and all family keep your faith and GOD BLESS

Ron Roberts - November 26, 2013 at 09:09 PM

RR

“ Ron Roberts lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma




Ron Roberts - November 26, 2013 at 09:05 PM

DF

“ I will always cherish the moments we spent together, from the time you were in diapers , having many sleepovers at my house to your college graduation. All the times I drove out to watch you perform your tae Kwan doe and earning your black belt. I have always been so very proud of you and so proud to be your great aunt. We had a very special bond, you and I and I will cherish that forever. I am going to miss you something awful, but will try to think happy thoughts of all we did together. R.i.P. My little Angel. I love you with all my heart. Love, aunt dar

darlene fuller - November 26, 2013 at 08:57 PM

 Megan
Shufelt
Sostre

“ Anita, Angel and Grace We are deeply grieved that you lost your Elijah. May God carry you through these next couple days/weeks, as I can imagine at times it seems impossible to take another step. Praying continuously. ... With all our love , Megan & Felipe Sostre

Megan Shufelt Sostre - November 26, 2013 at 08:47 PM

DF

“ Darlene Fuller lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



darlene fuller - November 26, 2013 at 08:43 PM

DL

“ When Elijah had a Facebook page we would often send messages back and forth. I always posted something sarcastic in reference to people or situations. Elijah messaged me one day and said "Dar I love reading your posts. Even when I'm having a horrible day you seem to make me laugh. Please keep posting stuff like that."

Darlene Luckina - November 26, 2013 at 08:37 PM

CA

“ Claudia Trad " Great Aunt' lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



Claudia Trad " Great Aunt' - November 26, 2013 at 08:25 PM

CA

You are a special one and you will be missed by all. May the good Lord keep you by his side.

Claudia Trad " Great Aunt' - November 26, 2013 at 08:26 PM

WF

“ Williams Family lit a candle in memory of Elijah N. Sharma



Williams Family - November 26, 2013 at 06:58 PM

WF

We are so sorry for you loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Williams Family - November 26, 2013 at 06:58 PM

Vince
McMillan

“ Vince McMillan lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma



Vince McMillan - November 26, 2013 at 05:50 PM



“ Alyssa Barrett lit a candle in memory of Elijah
N. Sharma



Alyssa Barrett - November 26, 2013 at 05:47 PM



“ Elijah was such a kind soul. I can't believe he's gone. I'm so blessed
to have been able to meet him at Hudson Valley. His family will be in
my thoughts and prayers. He will be missed!

Alyssa Barrett - November 26, 2013 at 05:47 PM



“ Karen Kennedy lit a candle in memory of
Elijah N. Sharma



karen kennedy - November 26, 2013 at 05:05 PM

KK

thoughts and prayers to my family for the loss of our beautiful great nephew, words cant express whay\t a gentleman he was, so kind, so warm, so friendly, i could go on and on,,just know u will never ever be forgotten, and its not fair.....when elijah left us, he took a piece of all our hearts with him, and nonnie will watch over you, and please shine down on us from heaven.<3 aunt karen and family.....

karen kennedy - November 26, 2013 at 05:09 PM

SS

“ *Sincere sympathy to the parents and family members of Elijah. Elijah was a student in my Pre=K class at Sacred Heart School in Utica, NY. He was such a sweet and happy little boy. I remember how he liked to pretend cook in the toy area, and was well liked by all the children in the class. And he had such nice parents! Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Mrs.Sychtysz*

Suzanne Sychtysz - November 26, 2013 at 04:44 PM