

Niko D. DiNovo

August 30, 2000 - March 19, 2018

Colonie- Niko David DiNovo, 17, became our Angel on Monday, March 19th, 2018 surrounded by his fearless, unwavering family at Westchester Medical Center.

Born in Colonie he was the son of Michael J DiNovo Sr and Alicia M DiNovo (Ryder). Brother to Michael J DiNovo Jr, Bella DiNovo and Nino DiNovo. Grandson of James DiNovo Sr and Donna DiNovo and the late Gladys Hartigan, David and Alice Ryder, who were waiting with open arms at the gates of heaven. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins who loved him dearly. And lastly, the tribe that has formed to pray, love, and support... you are now and forever will be family.

Niko was a warrior for his tribe. Fighting to live for exactly 508 days with strength, will and perseverance. He united a community, restored faith, and helped others find their purpose. God had a plan for Niko on the night of October 28th, 2016, a plan that was difficult for those who loved him to understand. It is now clear of God's plan, Niko was a faithful servant, and has been awarded eternal peace and free from pain in Heaven.

Niko mostly enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, playing sports, camping, listening to music, Saratoga Race Track, playing video games and eating Fruit Loops for breakfast, lunch and dinner. He was a loyal Dallas

Cowboys fan.

Taking no for an answer was not an option for Niko. He knew how to get exactly what he wanted. His smile would light up any room, and it was never quiet when Niko was around. He will be missed but now instead of praying FOR Niko, we will pray TO Niko.

Thank you to Dr. Turkowski, Dr. Winski, all of the Angel nurses in the burn unit at the WMC, The Ronald McDonald house of the Greater Hudson Valley and Burn Care Everywhere Foundation for also being apart this Tribe for the past 16 months.

#NikoForever

Relatives, friends, and all those who include themselves in the tribe that formed to pray, love and support Niko and his family are invited to visit with Niko's family Sunday, March 25, 2018 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Palace Theater Albany, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany, NY 12207.

Funeral Services Monday, March 26, 2018 at 9:30 am in Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany, NY where Niko's Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, immediately following the Funeral Mass.

To leave a special message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Those wishing to remember Niko in a special way may send a contribution to the Ronald McDonald House of the Greater Hudson Valley, 80 Woods Road, Valhalla, NY 10595.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Palace Theater
17 Clinton Avenue
Albany, NY 12207

Service

MAR 26. 9:30 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)
Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Niko D. DiNovo*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - March 23, 2018 at 01:03 PM

MB

That was absolutely beautiful and my heart goes out the entire family. RIP Niko you will always be remembered ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

Melissa Bagley - March 23, 2018 at 07:39 PM



Wow so beautiful had me in tears. R.i.p niko your always in are memorys. Prayers sent too niko friends and family.

Te lubesc - March 23, 2018 at 07:57 PM

HE

Condolences to Nikos family and friends,Rip Niko,you touched many lives

Helen - March 23, 2018 at 08:22 PM



Beautiful tribute. I didn't know Niko or the family but this brought tears to my eyes. Condolences to Niko's family for their loss. You touched so many lives. Fly high with the Angels. RIP Niko!!

Donna White - March 23, 2018 at 09:02 PM

BG

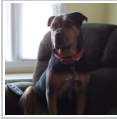
Condolences to Nikos family , May you find peace knowing you have a forever guardian angel looking and guiding you and yours forever! God Bless ! Rip Niko ...

Barbara Galea - March 23, 2018 at 09:08 PM

CD

Didn't know you personally but all the kids did in the high school and middle school... you brought light to so many people... prayers to Niko and his family... may he RIP..

Corina Deluke - March 23, 2018 at 09:22 PM



*WARNING, you will need more then a box of tissues to get through this one. What a beautiful tribute to such a courageous young man. Keeping you and your family in my prayers. May they find peace and comfort
In their time of need. ❤️*

David Gramolini - March 23, 2018 at 09:32 PM

ST

May deepest condolences to the Dinovo family..God rest your brave soul Niko, give your family the guidance and strength they need during this difficult time..

Stacy - March 23, 2018 at 09:46 PM

DN

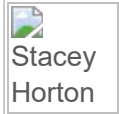
Beautiful tribute !!! You can truly see the love and bond in each and every photo !! Thoughts and prayers .. Rip peace Niko . Keep shining

Dawn Newcomb - March 23, 2018 at 10:00 PM



Beautiful tribute ❤️ My condolences to all the DiNovo family and friends. I just have to say Niko touched so many lives including the one's who didn't know him and we prayed for him everyday. We all knew how hard he fought. He will forever be remembered. RIP Niko

Elisa E Marie - March 23, 2018 at 10:50 PM



Stacey
Horton

My sincerest condolences to the Dinovo family. Prayers for you all. 💖

Stacey Horton - March 23, 2018 at 10:56 PM

SR

God bless you Niko..no more pain sweetheart.

sherry ruf - March 23, 2018 at 11:45 PM

TS

That was Beautiful. RIP Niko. You Will Always Be Remembered.

Tracie Shumway - March 24, 2018 at 04:33 AM

TT

My deepest condolences to the Dinovo Family....

T.Marie Allen- Tufano - March 24, 2018 at 06:20 AM

MY

I didn't know Niko but he has touched so many people's hearts..I prayed everyday you and your family...no more pain Niko and may God give the family strength at the time of sorrow

Maureen Yetto - March 24, 2018 at 07:42 AM

AD

507 Days Ago... I was asked by Lynda Porcaro Holbrook to pray for a family member who had been in a car crash and had been burned badly. I asked what his name was because when I pray I like to be direct with God because I believe he does hear me. As I quickly learned in the coming days, I was praying for a fighter, someone who still had a mission here on earth. What I have learned through praying for him and with you all is that : You are not alone, you fight on even in the tough times, you have the power to lift each other up when one is down, there is amazing miracles happening everyday if you choose to see them. Thank you Niko for all the eyes you have opened to caring, loving and supporting others!! What a gift!! I want you to know Niko I will be praying for your family with you and for you as they struggle with this great loss. Oh Lord my God please wrap your loving arms around this family, his friends and the community that prayed for this brave young man, in Jesus name AMEN!! Love and Hugs, Ann

Ann Denio - March 24, 2018 at 08:54 AM

LG

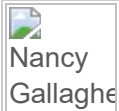
Beautiful ❤️ Prayers to the DiNovo family. R.I.P. Niko 🙏

Lisa Goodman - March 24, 2018 at 09:13 AM

NA

Rest in Peace, Champ... You and your family have all inspired so many... God's blessings...

Nick Audi - March 24, 2018 at 10:16 AM



Absolutely beautiful . My continued thoughts and prayers for for the family.

Nancy Gallagher-Preston - March 24, 2018 at 10:25 AM

AA

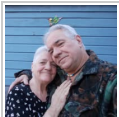
A beautiful tribute to a young man who left this world too early but taught us all so much. He taught us to fight like hell for all we believe in, to believe even when nothing makes sense, to be brave even when we may be scared and that family is everything. My heart goes out to Niko's entire family. Your strength and bond as a family is inspiring. Love to all. God bless. RIP Niko.... 🌸🌸🌸

Alicia Auger - March 24, 2018 at 10:42 AM

KA

Beautiful tribute! ❤️ Our hearts feel your pain. I pray for Niko's Family and friends. 🙏 Rest in peace Niko ❤️

kathy - March 24, 2018 at 10:48 AM



Beautiful. Our thoughts & prayers being sent to the family. RIP Niko you will always be remmbered. Till we meet again. <3 Love Terry & Jackie

Jackie Canavan - March 24, 2018 at 11:04 AM

TE

Prayers to the family so sad for every one

Terri - March 24, 2018 at 12:20 PM

TW

beautifully done....So sorry for what you all are going through....cherish all of your memories and always believe Niko is with you

tracy waddell - March 24, 2018 at 12:37 PM

SM

Feeling such sorrow for the family and friends of a young man I've never met. This is such a beautiful tribute and so well done. Deepest condolences to all. The love and strength of this family is inspiring.

Sylvia Maimone - March 24, 2018 at 02:06 PM

SK

Deepest condolences to the DiNovo family and friends of Niko. He has touched so many lives with his strength and fight. Sending love and prayers to the family during this most difficult time. ❤️

Sarah Kaiser - March 24, 2018 at 03:12 PM

AD

That was so beautiful that's how I remember Niko crazy little man but he was also a handsome young man Niko antonetti's going to miss you a lot but I know you are in God's hands and you're an angel up there and Grandma dinovo with you we love you Niko and I know you're going to rest in peace and you're going to be very very happy may God bless you and you always be in my heart and in my thoughts and in my prayers love you with all my heart Aunt Nettie

Antoinette Dibovo - March 24, 2018 at 03:56 PM

SH

Our love, prayers and deepest sympathy go out to the family. May each and every person that was touched by Nikos life, his bravery, his courage, his strength, his faith, and fight, live and carry on, through each one of us forever n ever. We love you Niko.

ShannonandTonyMalatesta - March 24, 2018 at 04:46 PM

DR

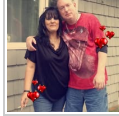
Condolences to your family from our family.sending love and prayers ❤️

Denice Resciniti - March 24, 2018 at 06:44 PM

MC

My prayers are sent to the family Rip Niko ❤️

megan culbertson - March 24, 2018 at 07:21 PM



Prayers and love sent to family....Niko will be remember

Anne Byerwalters - March 24, 2018 at 09:16 PM

JT

Our hearts are broken for you all!

What an amazing loving family you all are. It was truly inspirational to witness firsthand how much love this family has for each other and especially Niko.

We are honored to be able to call you friends. Can't tell you thanks enough for all your support and love you gave us during our stay with our son Camron at WCMC.

Love, prayers, and power from Utah

#CAMSTRONG

#NIKOSTRONG

jason talbot - March 24, 2018 at 09:17 PM



Yvette
Dinovo-

You are in my heart n prayers.

Yvette Dinovo-schroeder - March 24, 2018 at 09:35 PM

LI

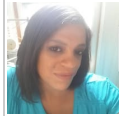
Oh my, I never met this beautiful young man or his family, but having a son the same age, and three younger ones, this story and video tribute truly touched me and brought many tears. I sincerely hope his loved ones find some comfort and know that their loved one will always be with them ❤️

lisa - March 24, 2018 at 09:57 PM

SB

R.I.P Niko 🥹 Love and Prayers from Arizona

Sharon Berwick - March 24, 2018 at 10:01 PM



RIP Niko, you will truly be missed! My prayers go out to the entire family. Niko was truly an inspiration!!!

AnGelique Dow - March 24, 2018 at 10:20 PM



What an amazing tribute to an amazing kid..sorry if my words don't come out right,the tears falling down my face won't stop....r.i.p niko...

Lynn Shaf - March 24, 2018 at 10:30 PM



*Beautiful tribute to an incredible young man. We love you Niko💙💜💖
May you Rest In Peace sweet angel🙏 You will truly missed by all
#ForeverNikoSttong*

Casey Ryan - March 24, 2018 at 11:14 PM



*That was an amazing tribute to NIKO my condolences and prayers sent to the Dinovo Family!!❤️💜🙏
#NIKOGifts*

aida aviles - March 25, 2018 at 01:48 AM



Prayers and healing to family and friends.

BERNIE Kinlan - March 25, 2018 at 07:34 AM



My heart thoughts and prayers are with Niko's family and friends. Niko will live on in all of us who prayed loved and knew Niko! When you are having a tough day pray to Niko! God bless you all!

Leslie Lucas - March 25, 2018 at 08:28 AM



This is absolutely beautiful.R.I.P. Niko you are now free of all the pain . My prayers and thoughts are with your entire family.

Joy Woodard - March 25, 2018 at 02:41 PM

PE

Beautifully done. RIP Niko. Prayers and positive thoughts to the family. It is not easy losing someone especially so young. God will get you through the good and bad. God Bless

Peggy - March 25, 2018 at 05:41 PM

SA

Fly high little man. RIP God's got you now.

Sandra - March 25, 2018 at 06:53 PM

SP

Sending Our Deepest Condulences To the Dinovo Family , So Sorry For Your Loss, Sending Out Huge Hugs & Prayers To All May Niko Rest Peacefully With The Angels, You And Your loved Ones Will Be In My Thoughts And Prayers !

sandra & Peter - March 25, 2018 at 06:58 PM

MS

Such a wonderful tribute to a wonderful kid who touched many lives Niko and the Dinovo family you will be in my Thoughts and Prayers. RIP Niko you will be missed.

Matt Spain - March 25, 2018 at 09:13 PM

AC

Wonderful tribute to niko. Although ive never met him praying for his family at this difficult time

amy cerqua - March 26, 2018 at 07:11 AM

MY

A beautiful tribute for a beautiful soul.

Mary Yamin-Garone - March 26, 2018 at 09:36 AM

VV

sfss

vv - December 19, 2025 at 03:55 AM

Noah
Welch

“ R.I.P. Niko. What happened was so tragic and sad, but your fight was epic and inspirational to everyone. You may have moved on, but you will never be forgotten by those whose lives came into orbit with yours. We can all find our strength in yours and find the beauty in life. See you upstairs!

Noah Welch - May 13, 2024 at 08:25 AM



“ Niko D. DiNovo

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Rose Oppedisano Looney lit a candle in memory of Niko D. DiNovo



rose oppedisano looney - March 29, 2018 at 04:30 PM



“ Chele Teabout lit a candle in memory of Niko D. DiNovo



Chele Teabout - March 25, 2018 at 06:13 PM

EM

“ *Rest In Peace Niko. My thoughts and prayers are with all the family today.*

~The Figueroa Davis Family

Emily - March 25, 2018 at 04:47 PM



Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Niko fought a battle not many people could. His strength, and the hope he gave to thousands of people will live on in our hearts forever. Our hearts hurt for what you have all endured. God needed to call him home to give him the rest his body needed, but he leaves behind a legacy that will live on in lives he touched. I'm so incredibly sorry for all of you. God bless, Joanne and Glenn Hebert

Joanne Chaput-Hebert - March 26, 2018 at 10:09 AM

LC

“ *My condolences to the family and may he Rest In Peace.*

leonard coduti - March 25, 2018 at 03:26 PM

LQ

“ *To the DiNovo family,
What a beautiful tribute. My thoughts and
prayers are with you at this very sad time.
Mts. Quinn*



Lisa Quinn - March 25, 2018 at 01:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Niko D. DiNovo.*



March 25, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ *God Bless Nico, his pain and fight is over, may he rest in peace with the knowledge of the so many hearts he touched and prayers that were said. God Bless his family, may you take comfort in your memories and in his peace.*

Kathy Sims - March 24, 2018 at 11:55 PM



“ *Niko you. Not remember me, but I will never forget you. I remember when my mom alive and would go with our uncle tim and aunt kim to watch you place ball, what a joy you brought to her, she looked forward to the games, she was always so proud of you. Thank you for bringing joy to her, and to us all. you were an amazing gift from god, fly high and say hi to my mom and also to your gram for me...r.i.p. niko*



Lynn Shaf - March 24, 2018 at 10:27 PM



“ *May you RIP and shine down on your family and friends*



Bennett family - March 24, 2018 at 10:14 PM

LB

“ Rest in peace Niko. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.



Lori Brant - March 24, 2018 at 06:54 PM

Cricket Rock

“ Niko a young man so full of life & taken a way too young. Niko you gave us a reminder of how precious life really is. Niko you truly are The Champ to fight through so much. Knowing you are at peace & no more pain will ease everyone's pain in time We've learned to be kinder, be more giving, be thankful of each day we are here & its truly a gift. No one knew what god had planned for you but we've learned so much through your strength. Niko you have restored Faith & brought many families together. The Dinovo Families have quadrupled in size. I am so sorry for your families loss of losing you. When the gates opened the angels gained a beautiful young man who will watch over all of his friends & families. Love my coldbrook buddy Fly high Champ <3 we will cheer on the Cowboys together <3 Love you for ever and always Cricket Rock



Cricket Rock - March 24, 2018 at 06:04 PM

Cricket
Rock

“ Cricket Rock sent a virtual gift in memory of
Niko D. DiNovo



Cricket Rock - March 24, 2018 at 05:56 PM

Cricket
Rock

“ Cricket Rock lit a candle in memory of Niko D.
DiNovo



Cricket Rock - March 24, 2018 at 05:55 PM

DA

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family
during this very difficult time. Niko was a true
warrior. He grabbed my heart from the
beginning of this difficult journey. There was
never a day that went by that he wasn't in my
prayers. I kept up with the paper and friends on his progress. I pray
for comfort and strength for the family and especially Mom that has
been on the road so much during this time. I cannot imagine losing
a child. Words do not help at this time, but that smile will live forever
in so many hearts.



Debby Acker-Cole - March 24, 2018 at 02:16 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Niko D. DiNovo.*



March 24, 2018 at 02:07 PM



“ *Prayers for continued strength for Niko's Family in this very difficult time.*

Susan A Trudell - March 24, 2018 at 01:11 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Niko D. DiNovo.*

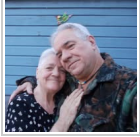


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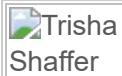
“ *R.I.P Niko My heart goes out to the family* ❤️💔

Jessica DeJesus - March 24, 2018 at 11:59 AM



“ Terry & I are sending our thoughts & prayers to the family. Niko gave us all so much strength & perseverance in his dailey struggles. He renewed our faith & instilled love ,compassion, & togetherness for us all. We all became Nikos tribe through out his journey. Bringing so many loving souls together praying & loving on him & the family. Niko strong you will always hold a special place in our hearts. Till we meet again Niko. Your strength & love will live on in us all. Love Terry & Jackie Canavan

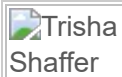
Jackie Canavan - March 24, 2018 at 11:22 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Niko will be missed so much by all.



Trisha Shaffer - March 24, 2018 at 08:57 AM



“ My condolences to the family. May God be with you all in your time of need. Much love...



Trisha Shaffer - March 24, 2018 at 08:55 AM

JF

“ Jackie Farrell lit a candle in memory of Niko D. DiNovo



Jackie Farrell - March 24, 2018 at 07:58 AM

CF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort in family and friends (Proverbs 17:17). For additional strength, may you find it in God who cares for you (1 Peter 5:7). Please accept our deepest condolences.

Cole Family - March 24, 2018 at 06:28 AM

SF

“ This was a beautiful tribute, tears filled my eyes. My continued thoughts, prayers, and of course love is sent to all of Niko's family. He will forever be remembered. You are finally at peace Champ! Rest in paradise and continue to show everyone those beautiful signs from heaven! We love you Nik!! #nikostrong



Stella Coluccio and Family - March 23, 2018 at 10:15 PM

CR

“ sending thoughts,prayers,& strength for the family of Niko Di Novo....I am so sorry for your loss...



Claudia Ciarfello Ramundo - March 23, 2018 at 10:06 PM

CC

“ rest in peace sweet boy "#NIKOSTRONG will always live on in all our hearts .xoxox



Christine Colagiovanni - March 23, 2018 at 06:37 PM

SH

You are now in the arms of God and one of his special angels

sherrie - March 23, 2018 at 08:23 PM



Cricket
Rock

*Tears are flowing losing Niko,
Tears are mourning your loss of Niko
Hearts are broken and torn apart
Hearts will mend in time
Our deepest condolences thoughts and prayers for you all.
Take pride in knowing you raised a fine young man taken away too soon. Niko will be missed. Niko lives on in our hearts keeping his spirit alive till we meet again.
Fly high Champ we love you forever and always <3 xoxoxo*

Cricket Rock - March 24, 2018 at 06:00 PM

MD

My thoughts and prayers go out to the Dinovo family. He will never be forgotten. God bless you all . R.I.P. Niko

Mena Domnik - March 25, 2018 at 11:46 AM

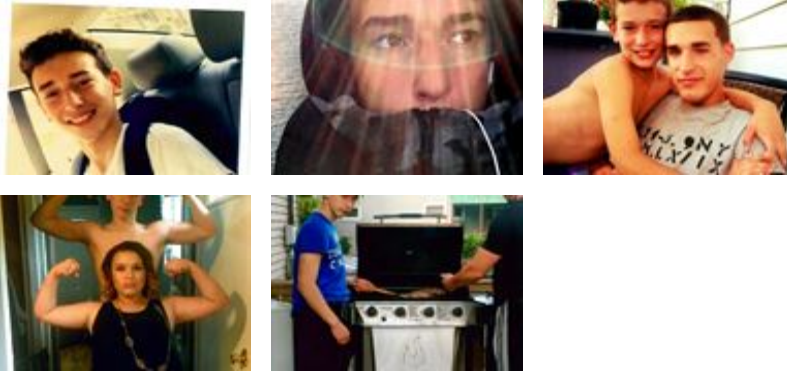
NB

So very sorry for your loss. I know that words cannot ease the pain that your whole family is feeling. You are a wonderful family, may you find peace knowing he is now whole, happy and with God. He will be there with you all in your heart.... so very sorry....

Nancy Bukantis - March 25, 2018 at 12:14 PM



“ 60 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - March 23, 2018 at 11:56 AM

DK

My sympathies to the DiNovo family. I have never met Niko or his family. I feel I have met all of them now. I feel very badly for what happened to Niko. No one deserves what Niko went through. Niko would have been an excellent candidate for a one on one Mentoring program with an adult role model. I have worked with youth one on one for many years as a positive influence on youth being very dedicated. Niko would have enjoyed working with me through a Mentoring agency. Again, I feel very bad about Niko who I really never knew. God Bless. Death is only a pause in life leading us to a better place. David Keyishian

David Keyishian - March 28, 2018 at 06:17 PM