



## Ryan James Murray

March 15, 1979 - May 16, 2019

Voorheesville – Ryan James Murray, 40, passed away after a courageous 19-month fight with Multiple Myeloma on May 16, 2019 with his wife Rachel by his side. Rachel and Ryan met 15 years ago and have been inseparable ever since. They continued to teach each other life lessons every day together that will always be cherished and passed on to their boys.

He worked for his family business as Vice President of The Murray Group since 2003. He was very dedicated to his work and always strived for the highest level of success.

His greatest joy was spending time with his wife and children. He loved being outdoors especially during his favorite season of fall. He enjoyed vacationing in Naples, Florida every year with Rachel, Nick and Luke and teaching the boys his favorite sport of golf. One of the most important lessons he felt this awful battle with cancer taught him was the importance of spending more time with his family even if it meant just taking a walk together. The strength Ryan demonstrated during this illness will never be forgotten and has been an inspiration to so many.

Ryan was a 1997 graduate of Christian Brothers Academy before going on to graduate from Union College in 2001, and the MBA program from Union College in 2003. He was a guard on the basketball team from 1999-2001 while at Union.

Ryan was the beloved husband of Rachel Chakmakas Murray and father of five-year-old twin boys, Nicholas and Luke Murray. He was the son of James Murray (Debbie); brother of Lauren Murray (Ryan Hanley) and Bridget Narcisco (Eric); brother in law of Marissa Michaels (Alexander), Andrew Chakmakas (Kara), Ryan Wilkins, and Brendon Wilkins; son in law of George Chakmakas and Joan Wilkins (Lance); uncle of Remi and Finn Chakmakas, Duke and Colton Hanley, Vivian and A.J. Narcisco; nephew of Susan Neary, Stephany Pierce (Ed), Rita Dirrane, Jeanne Hagerty (Jack), and Irene Murray. He is also survived by several cousins and second cousins.

Ryan was predeceased by his mother Nancy Murray.

An account has been set up for the ongoing care of Rachel and Ryan's beloved sons at Bank of America. Donations may be made out to Rachel Murray indicating on memo line for benefit of Nicholas and Luke Murray and mailed to McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206 or brought to any Bank of America location.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Ryan's family on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Ryan's Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 10:00 am at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar.

The Rite of Interment will immediately follow the Mass at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Guilderland.

To leave Ryan's family a message on their guestbook, light a candle, or view directions, please visit [www.mcveighfuneralhome.com](http://www.mcveighfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect Hill Cemetery

Western Ave  
Guilderland, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 21.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
208 N Allen St  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
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## Service

**MAY 22.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle Church  
35 Adams Place  
Delmar, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ryan James Murray*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - May 20, 2019 at 11:15 AM

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*Goodnight sweet prince.*

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**Ann Fraser** - May 22, 2019 at 11:24 AM



“ *Ryan James Murray*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.*



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May 21, 2019 at 11:03 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.*



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May 21, 2019 at 12:55 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.*



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May 21, 2019 at 11:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.*



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May 21, 2019 at 04:10 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.*



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May 20, 2019 at 10:23 PM



“ Ryan was talented, gentle, and kind. Growing up we were inseparable as kids. We played every sport known to man, and once the game started, Ryan was fierce! I can still remember us playing one on one NERF basketball late at night. My Dad thought we were in a fight because we were banging off the walls and door. When the game was over, he never bragged about winning, never pouted about losing. Either way, he wanted to play again! His competitive spirit and love of sports were unmatched. Thanks for all those great years growing up brother. Your presence will be missed by so many.

James McGaughan - May 20, 2019 at 08:52 PM



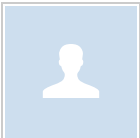
“ I am so very worry. Ironically, I met Ryan at a function around 2010 or 2011, and encouraged him to raise money for LLS, which I believe he did. Nicest guy ever, I became a client shortly after that. My heart breaks for his beautiful family, which was clearly his passion. God speed, my prayers are with you, April Volk Ulrich.

April Ulrich - May 20, 2019 at 08:37 PM



Sorry not worry

April Ulrich - May 20, 2019 at 08:38 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



May 20, 2019 at 06:49 PM

MI

“ Our sincerest condolences to all the Murray family. We are so very sorry to hear of Ryan's passing. Sending all of you our love and support, especially to Bridget and Lauren...From all the Hoghes (Stan & Mil, Becky & Sumeet, Steve [& Shirley], and Mike [& Amanda]).

Mildred - May 20, 2019 at 04:32 PM



Aw love your whole family!!!

Bridget Murray - May 21, 2019 at 05:51 AM

DQ

“ I would like to take this opportunity to express my condolences to Ryan's wife, children, father and sister. They are a tight knit family. He was kind and attentive to the insurance business. He knew his business and preformed it well. May he rest in peace after his long struggle.

David Quadrini

David Quadrini - May 20, 2019 at 03:13 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



May 20, 2019 at 12:38 PM



“ *Forever Beloved* was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



May 20, 2019 at 11:46 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathies to the entire Murray family, especially Rachael, Nick and Luke.*

*Chris & Jim Diamantopoulos*

**Chris Diamantopoulos** - May 20, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ *51 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - May 20, 2019 at 10:12 AM

JF

“ Jim, Lauren and Family,  
So very sorry for your loss. Sending healing thoughts and prayers  
your way.  
Warm Regards,  
Joan Faxon & Sky Vogel

Joan Faxon - May 20, 2019 at 09:42 AM

TR

“ We have lost an outstanding young man. I am so proud to have  
worked with Ryan for many years, his professionalism is completely  
shadowed by his love for his Family and Friends. His passion for  
work and family should be contagious for all to follow. My heart goes  
out to his family and his team at Murray Group. CBA has lost a  
great Brother.  
Tom Rollo

Tom Rollo - May 20, 2019 at 09:01 AM



Very touching Tom

Bridget Murray - May 21, 2019 at 05:51 AM

KS

“ Never have I witnessed such a courageous battle and a couple  
whose strong love stayed positive until the outcome was taken from  
their hands. Rachel, Dan and I will be proud to help your boys know  
what a fighting hero their Daddy was, trying to stay with the 3 of  
you. We have no words to express your shared sorrow but we  
promise we will be here for you always and will remember how  
remarkable Ryan always was. Our heartfelt sympathy to Ryan's  
entire family and to all of us who prayed thru his journey for a kinder  
ending💙💗💙💙🙏

KathyBurnetter and Dan Smith - May 19, 2019 at 08:42 PM

BM

“ Although Ryan maintained a reasonably quiet exterior, inside burned a driven, disciplined, & very competitive young man. Ryan was a very easy person to coach, he concerned himself only with what it took to win. A great teammate, Ryan was the consummate student-athlete, he was low maintenance but a high performing student-athlete; Ryan had great success in the classroom as well as on the basketball court where his contributions made us all winners. My deepest sympathies to Rachel, Luke, Nick, Jim, Bridget, Lauren, and the entire Murray family....

Bob Montana - May 19, 2019 at 08:04 PM



“ Love this picture taken at 35 Ridgefield where Ryan used to come visit me and Eric frequently.



Bridget Murray - May 19, 2019 at 07:58 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



May 19, 2019 at 04:13 PM



“ Ryan, my brother, I'm going to miss having you in that office next to me everyday. I know how much you loved it and enjoyed working towards a common goal with Dad, Lauren and me. Our long talks were awesome and you taught me so much about life and our work. I will continue the legacy you cared so much about setting. Thanks for sharing with me the deep love you had for me and my little family that I created with Eric.

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**Bridget Murray** - May 19, 2019 at 03:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



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May 19, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ryan James Murray.



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May 19, 2019 at 02:36 PM



“ All I can say is life will never be the same for me and Nick and Luke without you my sweet angel. I miss you more than my heart can even handle. I will love you forever.

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**Rachel Murray** - May 19, 2019 at 08:48 AM

LM

“ 16 files added to the album *Loves of Ryan's Life*



Lauren Murray - May 19, 2019 at 07:48 AM

LM

“ Wow....so shocking to see your name in the obituary section, Ry. You will be loved and missed everyday, and your memory will always be alive in everything we do. Love you, big guy!

Lauren Murray - May 19, 2019 at 05:54 AM

LM

“ 15 files added to the album *Our son, brother, cousin and friend*



Lauren Murray - May 19, 2019 at 05:10 AM