



Gregory Andrew Paroulek

September 12, 1989 - February 6, 2009

Gregory Andrew Paroulek of Chester, MD passed away on Friday, February 6, 2009 in Delaware. He was 19.

Born on September 12, 1989 in Annapolis, MD he was the son of Joseph Frederick Paroulek and Anne Elizabeth Kelly of Chester, MD. Gregory graduated from Kent Island High School in 2007. He was a sophomore at The University of Delaware, majoring in Music Composition.

Gregory was a master of the drums, piano and guitar. He also enjoyed snowboarding at Wintergreen and surfing at Rehoboth Beach. He played the drums for several bands including The Bodkin Creek Boys in Annapolis, MD; Impulso in Easton, MD and Stone City in DE. While in high school he played in The Kent Island Jazz and Community Bands. While studying at the University of Delaware, members of The Philadelphia Orchestra recorded "Leaves", one of the many pieces Gregory composed. He was known by his family as loving and gentle.

Gregory is survived by his beloved parents, Anne and Joseph Paroulek; two brothers, David Paroulek and wife Kathleen of Fredericksburg, VA and Timothy Paroulek of Falls Church, VA; Maternal grandmother Cynthia Kelly of Chester, MD; Paternal grandmother Agnes Paroulek of Arlington, VA; three aunts, Cindy McCarthy of Vienna, VA, Lenny Moynihan of Clarksville, MD and

Teresa Freeman of Vienna, VA; one uncle, Paul Kelly of Taos, NM; one nephew, Ben Paroulek of Fredericksburg, VA.

A celebration of life will be held on Wednesday February 11, 2009 from 4-6 PM at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Cremation and Funeral Care 814 Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD 21401.

Burial will be private. Contribution may be made to the Department of Music, The University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716.

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gregory Andrew Paroulek* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Gregory Andrew Paroulek* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Gregory Andrew Paroulek* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Gregory Andrew Paroulek* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Dear Paroulek Family,

I was shocked to hear of Greg's death. I'll always remember him as a very talented and intelligent student in my fifth grade class at Bayside. He was so excited to have taken music lessons in the fifth grade. One of my fondest memories was of our trip to NYC during the 1999 Xmas season to visit the Metropolitan Art Museum. Greg's smile was contagious! My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.##imported-begin##Sharon James Burak##imported-end##

February 16, 2009 at 05:56 PM



“ Joe and Anne: We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Donna and Terry Moran##imported-end##

February 14, 2009 at 05:59 PM



“ I am so saddened by Greg's passing. I have very happy memories of him in the eighth grade- what a special young man. I feel blessed to have known him. Please accept my condolences and prayers. Eighth grade language arts teacher.##imported-begin##Jeffery Miller##imported-end##

February 13, 2009 at 11:47 AM



“ Sorry to hear of your loss, you have my condolences.##imported-begin##Brandon Kunkler##imported-end##

February 12, 2009 at 10:38 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. It is so heartbreaking to hear of Greg's accomplishments and know that this is all we will get from him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family - the Wheatley Family - Dan, Maureen, Marilyn, and Patrick##imported-begin##Marilyn Lyons##imported-end##

February 12, 2009 at 07:14 PM



“ I just wanted to extend my condolences to the whole family! We were shocked to hear of Gregory's untimely passing! You all are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Sarah Cox (Ruby)##imported-end##

February 12, 2009 at 05:14 PM



“ Gregory, I really don't know what to say. You were an amazing person, one of my childhood companions, funny, smart, and so sweet. I am having a really hard time without you, but, I know you are in a good place. I love you so much and pray for you everyday. Rest in Peace.##imported-begin##Bridget##imported-end##

February 12, 2009 at 09:37 AM



“ Greg,
*In the dark a shadow not seen, in the light shades of colors that
glisten and gleam
Soul with such depth, inspiration of song, melody thy middle name a
life that was fleeting only wish it had been long
Memories are many as a nephew and a cousin filled my house with
your laughter and loud noise with your drumming
Hearts are broken and tears fill us now but we will lay our grief to
rest and focus on where you are now
A choir full of Angels you are glowing in your gown and we await to
see you again my friend and listen to your incredible sound.
We will always Love you Gregory and our thankful to have known
you.
Love Auntie Lenny###imported-begin###Lenny Moynihan###imported-
end##*

February 12, 2009 at 09:17 AM



“ *I didn't know Greg very well, but we met through mutual friends at
UD. Every time I went to UD I'd see him, and every time I came
home from school for a break, I'd usually end up hanging out with
him at least once through our mutual friends. I even hung out with
him this past New Years. Whenever someone would realize Greg
was going to be somewhere, they were always super excited...
every time I saw Greg he was always happy, and making me laugh.
He's one of the nicest people I've ever met, and although I didn't
know him well, I'm glad that I had the opportunity to meet him when
I did. I am deeply sorry for your loss, and I wish I could do
something to make the pain go away. Greg, I always had a great
time when you were around, and I'll see you again some day. Rest
in Peace man. We all miss you.###imported-begin###Beth
Ricci###imported-end##*

February 12, 2009 at 12:17 AM



“ Paroulex Family, I was just shocked to hear of Gregory’s death. He was one of those students that you just never forget. A truly special person in so many ways. I still show his Ancient Egypt Video Project to all of my students as an example of how to do a video presentation. I never had the chance to tell him how he has helped me all these years teach other students. There are no words that I can say to comfort you at this time. Please know that Greg was very important to everyone who knew him. I will keep your family in my prayers.##imported-begin##Curtis George##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 07:26 PM



“ Ann,

My hearts aches for you. Our prayers are with you & your family at such a difficult time.##imported-begin##Kathy & Bill Comegys##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 03:51 PM



“ My most heart felt thoughts go out to all of the family. From Josh Ruby, and the Ruby Family, Arthur, Sullen, Josh, & Sarah.##imported-begin##Joshua Ruby##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 03:25 PM



“ Our most sincere and heartfelt condolences are extended to you and your family. Although we haven't seen Greg for quite some time, we have so many fond memories of him through his friendship with Mike and Chris from 5th grade on.

We are blessed to have known Greg. He was an exceptional and talented young man. Anne and Joe, you are such loving, caring, and devoted parents. Such love and caring was reflected in Greg's demeanor and it was always such a joy to have him around.

Cherish all the memories you have, for they, along with God's help, your family and friends, will help to get you through this most difficult time. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Shirley & Tobin##imported-begin##Shirley & Tobin McNatt (Mike & Chris Reeder's parents)##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 03:12 PM



“ Our love and prayers go out to you.##imported-begin##Cindy, Eric, Stacey, Heather, Travis and Chelsea Ruby##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 02:53 PM



“ It is a terrible tragedy to lose such a talented young man at age 19. It was rewarding to watch Greg grow and develop while playing with the Kent Island Community Band. Greg had so much potential. My sincerest sympathy to Greg's family during this time.##imported-begin##Fred Hughes, Sr##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 02:18 PM



“ Anne...my heart is breaking for you and your family. Please know that I am lifting all of you up in prayer.##imported-begin##Sandra Early##imported-end##

February 11, 2009 at 11:08 AM



“ Greg:
we have happy memories of you as a solid defender in our trail blazing select soccer team. We later got to enjoy your accomplished musical talents. You will be missed by many. Our deepest sympathies go out to your family.
Paul, Laura, Julian, Melissa & Luke Crowhurst##imported-begin##Paul Crowhurst##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 10:37 PM



“ To Anne, Joe, David and Timothy: Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time in the loss of your beloved Greg. We always ask why, but never seem to get the answer. May God grant you the strength to get through each new day.
Diomedes, Marina, Alexandre, Rafael and Isabela##imported-begin##Diomedes Torres##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 08:30 PM



“ I was one of Greg's friends at UD, and I'm so sad I only got to know him for such a short time. He was such a good person, he never made you feel uneasy or judged, he just put out such a good energy. He was so talented and he loved his family so much, I only ever heard great things about everyone. I'm so sorry. He will never be forgotten and so many people miss him. rest in peace greg.##imported-begin##Ally Abernathy##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 02:48 PM



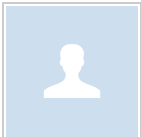
“ Greg was a friend of mine. We had music classes together throughout high school and he has always just been impossibly talented at drums as well as any other musical subject. I had some great times with him. We snowboarded together, and we went to France together. We shared some good times and moments together. He's the nicest and most talented kid I ever knew. Rest in peace man.##imported-begin##Chris Kennedy##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 02:40 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss, I'll keep you all in my prayers. Greg and I (along with our many other loving friends) attended UD for the past two years together. He is a big part of my college times and will always be remembered in my heart. I have so many fond memories of Greg that its hard to narrow it down to my favorite, but here are a few. Greg and I pulling an "all-nighter" together before our last final and we never did any real studying, we just talked and joked all night. Another time we spent the entire afternoon playing video games and board games in my room. And one of my most fond memories of Greg is when I knocked his mirror off his van by driving too close to a mailbox. Instead of him being angry or questioning the car he simply responded to my bad news by saying, "Laura, Laura calm down, are YOU okay?". That just shows how caring and loving he was. I love you Greg and I will never forget you. Only the good die young.##imported-begin##Laura Dolbin##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 12:34 PM



“ Joe and Anne, I do not think there are words to describe the loss within your family. The years that I played music with Greg, and during the time, I got to know him as a young man, I can say that no two parents could have shown more pride and dedication to their son and his pursuits. The love and support you as mom and dad (and grandmother) showed at the many gigs we played was without question a display of your love and devotion. Greg was not only a fine musician, but also a good and kind person. During those years, as he grew to be a man, I do not remember him without his fabulous smile. The love you showed Greg will be with you always. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers, my sincerest sympathy in this time of grief.
Lou##imported-begin##Lou Tosches##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 12:07 PM



“ My sincerest go out to the Paroulek family. Greg was a brilliant kid, and he will be sorely missed by his all his peers in the UD Music Dept.##imported-begin##Andrew Tremblay##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 12:00 PM



“ Please accept my deepest sympathies. Greg was a great youngman and student. Loved having him in my classroom. He will be surely missed.
My prayers are with all of your family.
Mr. Sof
Kent Island H.S.
History Teacher##imported-begin##Bryon Sofinowski##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 11:43 AM



“ Greg you were truly an amazing person and I will carry your spirit with me always.##imported-begin##Mailyn ##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 10:47 AM



“ We are all so sad about Greg.My son Christopher played with Greg in Percussion and Jazz Band.Greg was his mentor. We were always impressed by his talent and kindness. We will remember him always. The Kennedy Family##imported-begin##Clare Kennedy##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 09:10 AM



“ I cannot seem to escape sadness after this heartbreaking loss. Greg... it was a complete pleasure and honor getting to know you. I truly enjoyed playing music with you all these years. Your level of professionalism, kindness and creativity serves as an inspiration to all of us who knew what an outstanding and talented young man you were. I'll miss you so much man.. My most sincere condolences to Anne, Joe and Family.##imported-begin##Juan Camilo Angarita##imported-end##

February 10, 2009 at 06:55 AM



“ Nothing but silence can describe this world without him. Nothing but pain can describe all of us who knew him. I have seen death take my best friend, my father. I saw it take my hero, my grandfather. It has taken more friends then I wish to describe. I cant cope with knowing it took someone who had so much longer to live, so much left to share. My prayers lie with his family, who lost the most. Greg was your pride and joy. Time heals all wounds....I'm just sorry there wasn't enough for him. Rest In Pease Greg.##imported-begin##Samuel Shanaberger##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 09:55 PM



“ Joe, Anne and Family, we are so very sorry for your loss. Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Bob, Sue, Scott, Joey, Chris and Tyler Wolff##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 09:22 PM



“ Greg,
You were literally the nicest person I have ever met, and the most talented musician I will probably ever meet. You will be missed by so many people, even people who didn't know you very well will miss you because they have heard how awesome of a person you are.

Chris Siegle##imported-begin##Chris Siegle##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 05:14 PM



“ My paryers go out for you and your family##imported-begin##Marvine harris jr##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 04:44 PM



“ My thoughts and condolences go out to Greg and his family. I will never forget you pal.##imported-begin##Paul Brandenburger##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 04:39 PM



“ Joe and Ann, My prayers are with you and your family.

God Bless you##imported-begin##Deborah Pullen##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 03:26 PM



“ I went to UD with Greg in our Freshman year. There are so many good memories that I will cherish for the rest of my life. I loved Greg and whenever I heard that he was going to be around it made me so happy that I was going to hang out with him! He always made everything so much fun. I love you Greg and I'll always remember you.##imported-begin##Kelsie Miller##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 02:43 PM



“ What a smart young boy and talented musician. I have so many good memories of Greg. Traveling across the country, snowboarding, getting candies during the Halloween, having fun at the beach or just playing games at home... Thank you Greg for being my american brother and for sharing these moments with us. Death brings a heartbreak that no one can heal, but you gave us memories that even death cannot steal. May you rest in peace. God bless you my friend!!!##imported-begin##Joao Villarinho##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 02:25 PM



“ Hello,
Please accept my heartfelt condolences to you and your entire family. The two years that I got to know and work with Greg with the KHS band were too short. He was a wonderful musician and young man. I enjoyed working with him and watching in awe at his performances which were truly magical. He will be missed by any and all that knew him.
God Bless and keep you.
Tammy Harper##imported-begin##Tammy Harper##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 01:01 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
We are so sorry for your loss.
God bless you.

Yours in Jesus Name,

The Kohler Family

St. Thomas Oratory

UD Alumni 2008##imported-begin##Karen Kohler##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 12:58 PM



“ I'm so sorry about your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you,at such a difficult time. God bless##imported-begin##John Kambanopoulos##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 12:49 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. God has another great musician to play at his side.##imported-begin##Megan Christopher##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 12:30 PM



“ I am devastated over this loss, Greg was one of my good friends. he was the only one i could really count on in the spur of the moment to go snowboarding with me. He made percussion ensemble so much fun and was so talented in music, it was indescribable. I'm going to miss him a lot, my thoughts and prayers are with you##imported-begin##tyler martin##imported-end##

February 09, 2009 at 11:15 AM



“ *Knowing Greg was one of the best things happen to me in life. Such a talented and lovely young man inspired my life day after day. I will miss you so much. I love you Maestro Paroulek. Your music will always be with me. Your beat will always be in my heart.##imported-begin##Juan Angarita##imported-end##*

February 08, 2009 at 04:22 PM