



Jacob Ryan Little

July 25, 2006 - February 15, 2026

Jacob Ryan Little of Chestertown, MD passed away suddenly due to a car accident on February 15, 2026. He was 19 years old.

Jake was born on July 25, 2006, the son of Kenneth Little and Alice Tickler, in Annapolis, MD. He graduated from Queen Anne's County High School with the class of 2025 and worked at Food Lion in Centreville. He intended to begin classes in the summer of 2026 to become a grief counselor, which he realized was his calling after becoming involved with Camp New Dawn following the passing of his father in 2018.

Jake was active, sociable, and loved to make people laugh. He enjoyed fishing, going to the gym, and playing lacrosse wherever he could, whether it be at school, on community teams, or at the park. He loved traveling, attending concerts and sporting events, and was a huge fan of the Seattle Seahawks.

Above all else, Jake was kind. He fiercely loved his family and friends and was heavily involved in his community. He attended the Presbyterian Church of Chestertown, where he participated in youth group and often helped with Kids Korner. He spent many years attending and eventually counseling the younger kids at Camp New Dawn, where he discovered his passion and talent for helping people, especially children, through their grief.

Jake was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Little, in 2018, as well as two grandfathers, Charles Finch (1999) and Michael Tickler (2010).

He is survived by his mother, Alice Tickler, and stepfather Matthew Tickler;

sister, Rebecca Little; grandparents: Ginny Finch, Ron Little, Jane Little, and Paula Tickler; aunts: Katie Althoff, Carol Finch, Lisa Rader, Pam Ostrowski; uncles: Kevin Little and Dane Rader; and cousins: Holly, Lucas, Izzy, Payton, Madeline, Lily, Zoe, Courtney, Travis, and Wyatt.

Services will be held on Saturday, February 21 at 3:00 pm at the Presbyterian Church of Chestertown. A visitation will be held one hour prior, from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm at the church. Jake was known for always wearing either a sports jersey or camouflage, so please feel free to dress in one or both of those in his memory.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jake's name may be made to Compass Regional Hospice (specifically Camp New Dawn) at 160 Coursevall Dr. Centreville, MD 21617.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

The Presbyterian Church of Chestertown
905 Gateway Dr
Chestertown, MD 21620-3362
(410) 778-6057

Service

FEB 21. 3:00 PM (ET)

Presbyterian Church of Chestertown
905 Gateway Drive
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 20 at 06:15 PM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 20 at 11:24 AM

DP

What a beautiful tribute to such a handsome young man who was taken way too soon. My heart is breaking for you and your family. May God rest his soul.

Love, Diana Howlett Pajtis

Diana Howlett Pajtis - February 20 at 06:38 PM

AP

I did not know Jacob or his family but saw of his passing via social media (Facebook post sime1 here in Pennsylvania shared) & I just want to say 🙏🙏🙏🙏 are sent from the Piaggio Family here in Pennsylvania. May this young handsome man rest in peace. Sooo sorry for your loss ❤️😭🕊️🌸 Amy Lynn Piaggio

Amy Piaggio - March 01 at 02:03 PM

PO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

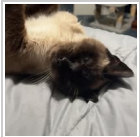


Pamela Ostrowski - February 24 at 12:12 PM

AR

“ *Praying for you and your family. May you find some solace in your memories and your faith. Sincerely, Amy Rowan (SoMLA).*

Amy Rowan - February 22 at 10:15 PM



“ *Thinking of your family during this difficult time. The Linz family*



Dawn Linz - February 21 at 12:28 PM

KH

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Karen Hemingway - February 20 at 11:25 AM

TC

“ Rich, Tammy & Breleigh Cannon



Tammy Cannon - February 20 at 11:20 AM

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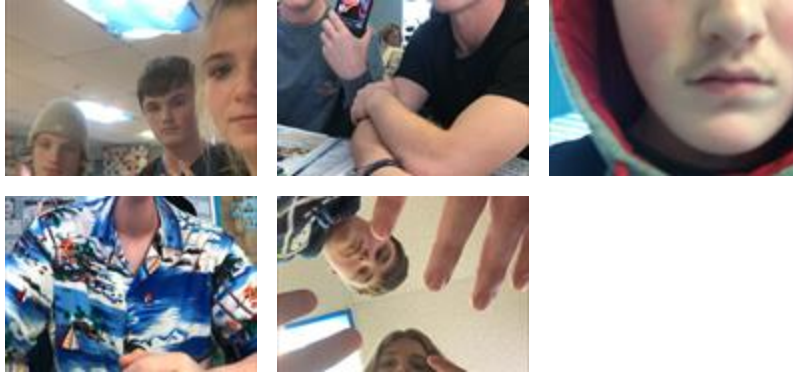
“ Wish we took more photos man, I'll miss talking all about sports and hot takes with you 💔😭



Ethan Trout - February 19 at 07:46 PM

GR

“ I was blessed to even know you J little. Nothing would beat coming into class and having smarties waiting for me. I wish we could share smarties one last time 💕💕



Gina Rusch - February 19 at 07:32 PM

RL

“ I love you jake i couldn't have asked for a better brother. Say hi to dad for me ❤️ You just weren't done yet i wish you didn't have to leave the earth so soon



Rebecca Little - February 19 at 06:42 PM

PO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Pamela Ostrowski - February 19 at 04:53 PM

CN

“ *Friends Forever*



Conlan Nagle - February 19 at 04:30 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.*



February 19 at 03:56 PM

JH

“ *Jeanne Hurley lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Jeanne Hurley - February 19 at 02:10 PM

GT

“❤️❤�



Gracie Troyer - February 19 at 02:09 PM

JP

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Julian Padilla - February 19 at 10:33 AM

CC

“2 files added to the tribute wall



Conner Cheezum - February 19 at 10:08 AM

PO

“1 file added to the tribute wall



Pamela Ostrowski - February 19 at 08:56 AM

ZA

“ Thoughts and prayers



Zach Adams - February 19 at 06:08 AM

AH

“ The sweetest soul ☐ rest easy Jake ☐



Alexis Haag - February 18 at 11:52 PM

AS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Aliya Shiley - February 18 at 10:50 PM

JM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jim Mowery - February 18 at 10:48 PM

TT

“ You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



Tracey Terry - February 18 at 10:48 PM

AS

“ These are some of my favorite memories with Jacob ☐ I lost all of my prom photos with him I wish I could've added them to this. I'm gonna miss his smiles ☐☐



Aliya Shiley - February 18 at 10:45 PM

JM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Jim Mowery - February 18 at 10:32 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Michelle Mowery - February 18 at 09:54 PM

MM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Michelle Mowery - February 18 at 09:45 PM

KI

“ Reaching out to you and your family to give you strength in the days to come

kim - February 18 at 09:36 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Michelle Mowery - February 18 at 09:26 PM

JM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jim Mowery - February 18 at 09:18 PM

LW

“ Thinking and praying for you during this difficult time. Sending love to your whole family.



LINDSEY WILLIAMS - February 18 at 05:25 PM

AF

“ There are no words to express the sorrow we feel for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with Alice, Matt, and Rebecca.



Anna, Damean, Raven & Ethan Fairbank - February 18 at 02:33 PM

RL

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Reagan lord - February 18 at 10:32 AM

TH

“ Tania Hernandez and Abbi Walter



Tania Hernandez - February 18 at 10:26 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.



February 18 at 10:22 AM

OF

“ Olivia Eckert & Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.



Olivia Eckert & Family - February 18 at 10:06 AM

OF

“ Olivia Eckert & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacob Ryan Little.

Olivia Eckert & Family - February 18 at 10:06 AM

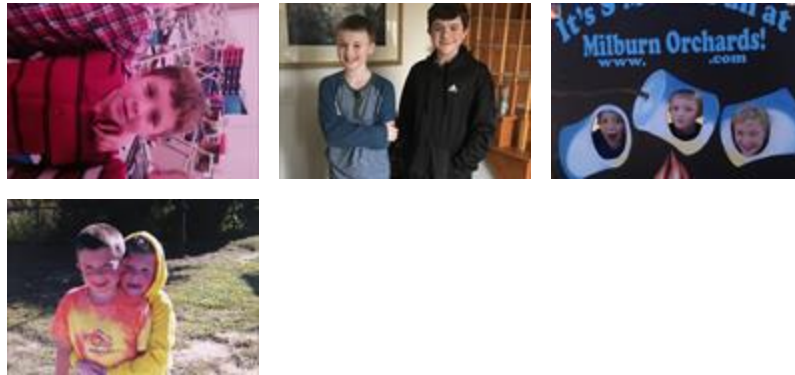
DJ

“ I remember Jacob from Food Lion. He as so very polite. He had conversation with my young granddaughter about Church Hill Elementary. God Bless his family

Dawn Jones - February 18 at 09:04 AM

JM

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Jonah McDonald - February 18 at 08:26 AM

CC

“ I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. Jake's kind and caring soul and competitive spirit impacted so many. His legacy will live on in our memories and hearts.

Cathy Crew - February 18 at 07:38 AM

MS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mason Scheelar - February 18 at 01:14 AM

DA

“ Darius Amire purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.



Darius Amire - February 17 at 11:16 PM

AS

“ Aliya Shiley purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.



Aliya Shiley - February 17 at 09:48 PM

AS

“ Aliya Shiley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacob Ryan Little.

Aliya Shiley - February 17 at 09:48 PM

NL

“ We Will Miss You At Food Lion. 🦁💙
Rest In Peace, Jacob. 😊🙏



Nita Lomax - February 17 at 09:15 PM

AR

“ I remember my first year I attended camp new dawn and I was scared and didn't want to do anything but Jake ended up talking to me for a few and then the next 3 years we always talked during camp. He was a wonderful person!



Aryana - February 17 at 09:09 PM

KM

“ Katherine M. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.



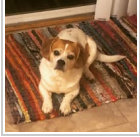
Katherine M. - February 17 at 08:56 PM

DE

“ Debra Eden lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little



Debra Eden - February 17 at 08:16 PM



“ Keeping you all in our prayers. Jake was a wonderful person and will be missed by so many.



Erin DeSantos - February 17 at 08:12 PM

BD

“ Butch And Bev Dadds lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little



Butch and Bev Dadds - February 17 at 07:46 PM

AQ

“ I will never forget his kind spirit and infectious smile❤️ I am honored to have known him and to have been one of his teachers at Church Hill Elementary.



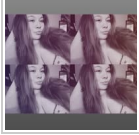
April Quigley - February 17 at 07:33 PM


SJ

“ Jane and Ronnie. We are so sorry for the loss of your grandson. May the memories and love you shared help carry you thru this time. Love the Riddle and Justis families.



Shana Justis - February 17 at 07:21 PM



“ My deepest condolences to his family and close friends  I will forever cherish the memories I got to share with you since elementary school all the way to graduation ...may u rest in peace... never forgotten....



Savanna White - February 17 at 07:13 PM

KT

“ Our deepest sympathies to Alice and your family! Jake was such a good friend to our grandson Landon! I know he will be missed tremendously! Sending prayers and strength! Landon’s grandparents! Kim & Preston Taylor



Kim Taylor - February 17 at 07:08 PM





BJ

“ Brandy & Delaney Jewell lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little



Brandy & Delaney Jewell - February 17 at 06:53 PM

JA

“ I watched you grow from a grieving little boy to a young man that helped other children on their grief journey. I will miss you, Jacob! Heaven is lucky to have you.....    



Jane Anthony - February 17 at 06:47 PM

BY

“ *Bill And Jane Young lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Bill and Jane Young - February 17 at 06:44 PM

KP

“ *Kay Parramore lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Kay Parramore - February 17 at 06:37 PM

DF

“ *Dana Fellows lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Dana Fellows - February 17 at 06:19 PM

JB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



John and Shannon Budosh - February 17 at 05:59 PM

JP

“ *Heaven has gained a beautiful soul!*



Janet Pauls - February 17 at 04:42 PM

ML

“ *Condolences to the family, you are in our thoughts and prayers 🙏*



Melissa, Anthony and Jackson Lenzi - February 17 at 03:47 PM

SC

“ *My heart aches for Jacob's family, especially his Mom and Dad. He was such a polite young man, always smiling and willing to help. I met him at Food Lion. When I was leaving, I said, "God Bless You" and "don't forget to say your prayers". He smiled and said, "I won't." Made my heart smile.*

Sue C. - February 17 at 03:31 PM

BB

Uncle Bruce & I did not get to see Jake & his family as often as we would like. When we had visitors at Christmas from Japan Jake was very kind to them and made them feel very welcome especially the ten yr old boy & other young relatives. It is obvious that he had great examples to follow at home and at church. He is to be respected for his kindness to children in grief. Now it is our turn to uplift his family and friends through his untimely & unfortunate passing. It is obvious that he had much to yet offer the community around him. May our Heavenly Father wrap his arms around Jake as he takes him home.

Bruce & Sherry Brown - February 17 at 03:54 PM

SR

“ Sara Reny lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little



sara reny - February 17 at 02:53 PM

TP

“ Sending prayers and hugs to the family as my son went to school with him.



Tiffaney Palmatary - February 17 at 02:33 PM

FR

“ Jake's positivity will always be a part of our lives. Our hearts go out to his entire family.
-Fred & Donna

Fred&Donna - February 17 at 02:27 PM

FD

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Fred and Donna - February 17 at 02:24 PM

JA

“ *Jonas L Alston lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Jonas L Alston - February 17 at 02:03 PM

JA

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Jacob' s family.*

Judy Adkins - February 17 at 01:57 PM

LD

“ *Alice,*

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Dunn



Lawrence Dunn - February 17 at 01:33 PM

JH

“ *Joyce & Phil Hurlock lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Joyce & Phil Hurlock - February 17 at 01:33 PM

JH

Words do not come easily when such a tragedy occurs, however, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May the Good Lord guide you and give you strength in the days ahead.

Joyce & Phil Hurlock - February 17 at 01:35 PM

NO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



noah - February 17 at 01:19 PM

BH

“ Alice and Tick our thoughts and prayers are with both of you and your family.



Buster and Henrietta - February 17 at 12:51 PM

MC

“ Marcus Carter lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little



Marcus Carter - February 17 at 12:47 PM

LA

“ *Lauren, Eric, Claire, And Owen Abbott lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Lauren, Eric, Claire, and Owen Abbott - February 17 at 12:36 PM

MS

“ *Mason Scheelar lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Mason Scheelar - February 17 at 12:20 PM

KN

“ *Kerry, Ralph, Kendall And Conlan Nagle lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Kerry, Ralph, Kendall and Conlan Nagle - February 17 at 12:14 PM

SB

“ *Stacey Barrow lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Stacey Barrow - February 17 at 12:12 PM

MD

“ *Matthew, Roxanne, Dylan And Trevor Dean lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Matthew, Roxanne, Dylan and Trevor Dean - February 17 at 12:12 PM

JK

“ *Jackie Kline lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Jackie Kline - February 17 at 12:08 PM

HL

“ *Harley L. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jacob Ryan Little.*



Harley L. - February 17 at 12:04 PM

BC

“ *Barbara Calder lit a candle in memory of Jacob Ryan Little*



Barbara calder - February 17 at 11:53 AM