



Cordell Walker Dunning

September 11, 1997 - March 27, 2024

SGT Cordell W. Dunning

Age 26, of Wilmington, IL, passed away on March 27, 2024 in New York due to injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident. Born September 11, 1997 in Jacksonville, NC. Cordell was currently serving in the United States Army and was stationed in New York. He enjoyed airsoft guns and riding his motorcycle. Cordell was known to be very adventurous and loved exploring. Surviving are his parents, Jason Dunning, Sr. of Camden, IN and Tracy (nee Messersmith) Dunning of Wilmington; paternal grandmother, Linda Dunning of Camden, IN; maternal grandparents, Clarence Messersmith of FL and Fae Damon of Wilmington; two sisters, Megan Dunning of NC and Jesse Dunning of IN; four brothers, Anthony Apostolou of Joliet, IL, Matthew Apostolou of Rockford, IL, Jason Dunning, Jr. of Wilmington, and Robbie Dunning of IN; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his grandfather, Darrell Dunning; and great grandparents, Arlene and George Sowa and William and Lila Messersmith. Visitation for SGT Dunning will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Thursday, April 11, 2024 from 4-8 p.m. Cremation rites will be accorded following the visitation. Family and friends will meet at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home on Monday, April 15, at 10:20 a.m. to process to Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood for full military honors at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the Wounded Warriors Project.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home
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Braidwood, IL 60408
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Graveside Service

APR 15. 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery
20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

NI

“ I lived in wilmington il were he lived close by me I would always talk with him when I seen him run he loved to run. Well I am sorry for ur loss of ur son he always seem happy when you were around. Wow I can't believe he not here left too soon.

Nicole - April 11, 2024 at 08:08 PM

PS

“ Patrice Schulte lit a candle in memory of Cordell Dunning



Patrice Schulte - April 11, 2024 at 01:28 PM

DK

“ Diana kuehni lit a candle in memory of Cordell Dunning



Diana kuehni - April 11, 2024 at 01:24 AM

CC

“ So very sorry for your loss. Donation has been made to wounded warriors in Cordell's name from the Dunning cousins. Prayers for you and your family, and thank you for your service young Cordell.

Connie Chambers - April 10, 2024 at 11:47 PM

LW

“ *Linda Weston lit a candle in memory of Cordell Dunning*



Linda Weston - April 10, 2024 at 01:42 PM

GW

“ *Gene Warriner lit a candle in memory of Cordell Dunning*



Gene Warriner - April 10, 2024 at 11:02 AM

RG

“ *To the family and friends so sorry for your loss.*

Rest Easy Hero.

Randy Gumkowski (INPGR)



Randy Gumkowski - April 10, 2024 at 05:39 AM

CW

“ Thoughts and prayers for family and friends of Sergeant Cordell W. Dunning. Cordell was an amazing friend, and an outstanding Soldier. He always lifted spirits and had a positive impact on everyone around him no matter the situation. His life will have a lasting impact on those who had the honor to know him.



Christian Williams - April 09, 2024 at 09:39 PM

BM

“ Memories will stay in my heart ❤️ Cordell had a way of lighting up a room and making people laugh. Gone way too soon. Rest easy sweet Cordell. Prayers for his family 🙏

Bee Jay Marks - April 09, 2024 at 07:31 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - April 09, 2024 at 05:04 PM