



## Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger

January 22, 1993 - January 9, 2017

Cody Dale Ellinger was born on January 22, 1993 in Atlanta, GA. His life was tragically cut short on January 9, 2017, at the age of 23. Cody was self-employed and enjoyed working in construction and as a landscaper. His presence was always full of positive energy. His smile warmed the room, and his laughter and jokes tickled people to the point of tears. Cody spread so much love and joy to those he cared about. He had the biggest heart, and thankfully it will continue beating in another person, as our generous Cody was an organ donor, giving life after death. He was a hero to many and he will live on through memories and the lives of the people he's brought sunshine to. Cody is survived by his mother and stepfather, Sheri and Frank Watson of Marietta, his father, Ken Ellinger of Chattanooga, 2 sisters (Chelsie and Clarissa Ellinger), grandmothers (Geri Schafer and Betty Ellinger), 1 nephew (Christopher Wical), 5 aunts (Dawn McCaughtry, Susie Meacham, Carolyn Biles, Betty Delph, and Jackie Orrick), 2 uncles (Keith Schafer and Okie Ellinger), 29 first cousins, 46 second cousins, and 2 stepsiblings.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory  
12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Memorial Service

JAN 14. 4:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *As I was sitting during the memorial service, so many thoughts of Cody passed through my mind. I know I have already commented but wanted to share a few more memories. One being that he gave the biggest and best hugs. If you needed a big ole bear hug, Cody was the one to give it. When the Chaplin asked if anyone wanted to speak, I so wanted to shout out "Marco" because I knew that one of his many Whitfield Woods friends who came to celebrate his life, would shout back "Polo".. When the kids were young, they would spend what seemed like the whole day at our neighborhood pool playing that game. They always played football games in the neighborhood and Cody was right there with the "big guys" joining in. If you saw "the gang" you knew Cody was included. He just fit right in even though he was several years younger than most of the kids. Cody was great at keeping the lifeguards company too. I also can remember a few incidents of ding dong ditch that "the gang" did. Oh the memories that will forever be etched in my mind. We probably need to get a few journals and record them all. The teachers who had Nicholson Elementary all commented what a great kid he was. So smart with great manners. You did an amazing job Shari of raising your three kids. Something you should always be proud of.*

**Colleen Haseltine** - January 15, 2017 at 11:52 AM

MK

“ There are so many memories I had with Cody, but these are a few that stick out to me:

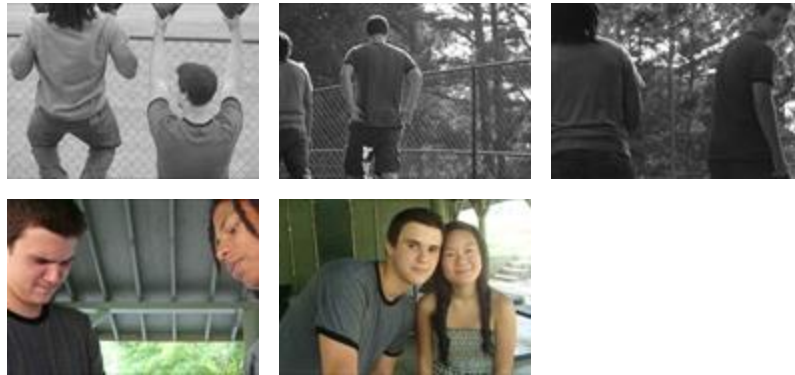
*Staying on the phone for hours -- HOURS. We probably drove our parents up the wall using the house line all day. I couldn't even tell you what we could have possibly talked about all that time, but we sure couldn't go without it. It was routine. I would come home, open the door, the phone would be ringing, and I knew it was either Cody, Marjorie, or Jason. And we'd proceed to get everyone else on the phone as they got home. Sometimes we wouldn't even say a word, we'd watch tv shows in silence, or someone would fall asleep. We knew if Cody fell asleep because we'd hear snoring on the line, haha*

*I don't remember the context, but I remember maybe a year or two ago talking with my friend Kyle. And he tells me, "I went to school one day and Cody had a rash on his face and he told me it was from talking on the phone with you so much." I apologize!! We loved Cody!!*

*Naturally, the next memory I'm about to share is related to us talking on the phone. When I was really little, I remembered seeing about a minute clip of a movie where these guys were just staring at, to my memory, a "wall" (which later turns out to be an illusion/art piece on a stand). One guy has been staring at it for a while now trying to see the hidden picture and his buddies walk up and one of them immediately says he spots a sailboat. That was it, that was all I could remember from what I saw when I was super young. On a whim, I said to Cody, "I know this is a long shot, and you probably won't know what it is but it is driving me crazy. I don't even know if it was a movie, show, or whatever. But..." And I proceeded to explain the scene. He instantly shouts, "Mallrats!" We cracked up and I couldn't believe he knew what it even was.*

*I'll never forget what an incredible person Cody was and how he was more than my best friend but like a brother. He and Zach told*

*me one time how they'd do anything for me, and I knew they weren't kidding. I went away to college and Cody and I would go long periods of time without talking, but we always made sure to catch up every year. And we'd always say it felt like no time had even passed every time we talked on the phone. He was and always will be a special person in my life as he was to many more.*



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**Melissa Ko** - January 15, 2017 at 08:48 AM

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“ *Your Knox family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.*

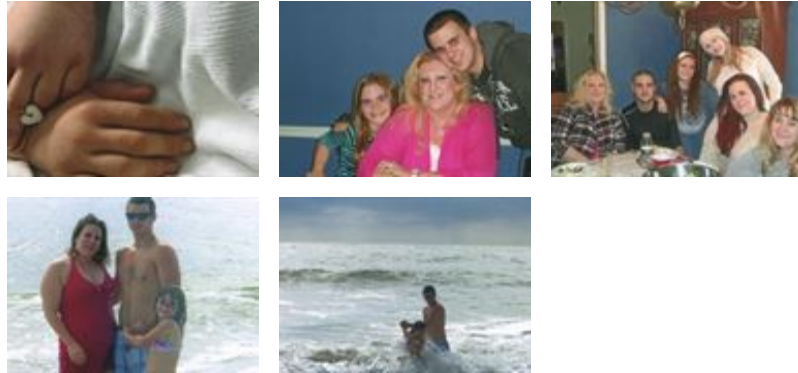


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**Your Knox family** - January 14, 2017 at 09:52 AM



“ 98 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Northside Chapel - January 14, 2017 at 09:40 AM

DM

“ Cody and Crystal came over one day and we were playing football. I had no idea how to hold or throw a football. Then Cody showed me how to hold it and how to throw it and we played all day long. I had fun that day and I was glad we got to see them and have fun. He will always have a place in my heart that will be that one special spot.

*Love you always, Destinie McDowell*

Destinie McDowell - January 14, 2017 at 08:03 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.



January 13, 2017 at 10:58 PM



“ Cody will always be remembered as a fun loving, kind, loving kind of kid. He was always energetic and he enthusiastically loved life. If you needed something done, Cody was there and wouldn't hesitate to help out. Everyone who knew him felt blessed. We have always felt that even though we were not blood related we were family. We will miss you Cody. Always in our hearts and minds. Sheri, Frank, Chelsie, Adam, Christopher, and Clarissa, Geri, Keith, Dawn, Bob and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time. Colleen, Phil, Chris, Jon Cherie and James



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**Colleen Haseltine** - January 12, 2017 at 07:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.



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January 12, 2017 at 06:42 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.



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January 11, 2017 at 08:58 PM

JR

“ *Jill Hanoka & Maxene Robison purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.*



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**Jill Hanoka & Maxene Robison** - January 11, 2017 at 06:43 PM

KB

“ *Kai and Hutch Mathers Burdwell purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.*



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**Kai and Hutch Mathers Burdwell** - January 11, 2017 at 09:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Cody Dale Ellinger.*



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January 10, 2017 at 08:09 PM

KC

“ *Cody was such a huge part of our family and we love him so much! Getting to watch him grow into an amazing young man alongside Zach was a blessing. I will miss his smile and even more beautiful personality. May he rest in eternal peace. Love always, Kim Williams Cook*

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**Kim Williams Cook** - January 10, 2017 at 04:29 PM