

JOHN H. VARNELL

Sept. 19, 1988 -- June 17, 2004

John H. Varnell, 15, Galveston, died 12:30 p.m. Thursday, June 17, 2004, at St. Louis Children's Hospital. Born Sept. 19, 1988, in Hampton, Va., he was the son of Rodney D. Varnell and Katie Brugh, who survive.

He was a student at Lewis Cass High School in Walton. He enjoyed bowling, collecting knives and was an avid Jeff Gordon NASCAR fan. He was also an Indianapolis Colts fan. He was very proud to be an American and always showed his patriotism.

Surviving are his father, Rodney D. Varnell of Galveston; his mother, Katie Brugh of Sharpsberg, Ga.; a brother, Jake Varnell of Galveston; his paternal grandfather, Dwain Varnell and wife Becky of Galveston; his paternal great-grandmothers, Patsy Varnell of Arkansas and Elizabeth Melton of Kokomo; his maternal grandfather, Mike Brugh of Logansport; his maternal great-grandmothers, Irene Brugh of Logansport and Jane Steckel of Logansport; and aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services are 11 a.m. Monday at New Life Assembly of God Church, 1803 E. Vaile Ave., with the Revs. Don Gifford and Jackie Varnell officiating. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, 401 S. California St., Galveston.

Memorials may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Fund, Ronald McDonald House of St. Louis.

The funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

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