



## Zachary A. Botzer

March 12, 1987 - November 10, 2019

Zachary Andrew “Zach” Botzer, 32, of Manheim, PA, formerly of Clarion, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, November 10, 2019 at his home. He was born on March 12, 1987 in Franklin; son of the late Rodney Walter Botzer and Norma Summerville Botzer Kooman of Clarion.

Zach was a 2006 graduate of Clarion Area High School, where he was active in football and track.

After high school, Zach graduated from Harrisburg Area Community College with a certificate in Emergency Para-medicine.

He was currently studying Emergency Medicine at Pennsylvania College of Health Sciences and would have graduated in 2020.

Zach was a dedicated Paramedic and EMT who was passionate about helping people.

In addition to his regular job, he taught CPR, First Aid, and Stop the Bleed classes in his spare time.

He was currently employed by the Apex Company and Euro-fin.

Zach was an avid hunter and looked forward to deer season every year, sharing his favorite deer jerky with his family and friends. He loved the outdoors, camping, hiking, shooting, and spent many hours on the family farm. He was thrilled to hike in the Grand Canyon with one of his best friends, Blake Lantelme. Zach’s greatest joy was spending time with his son, teaching him to fish and ride bike.

He is survived by his mother: Norma Kooman of Clarion; his son: Jason Elias

Botzer and his mother, Samantha Rivera of Millersburg; his two sisters: Andrea Lake and her husband, Jamie, of Fallston, MD and Kristin Botzer of Rimersburg; his brother: Curtis Botzer of Pittsburgh; a niece: Mya Kolakowski of Mount Joy; a nephew: Andrew "Drew" Lake of Fallston, MD; and numerous great-aunts, great-uncles, cousins, and friends.

Zach was preceded in death by his father; his step-father: Richard Kooman; his maternal grandparents: E. Mack and Elsie Summerville; and his paternal grandparents: Robert and Mildred Botzer.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 15, 2019 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion. Additional viewing will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 16, 2019 at the First Presbyterian Church in Clarion, where funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. in the church with Rev. Harold Jacobson, pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church in Clarion.

Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Zachary's name to the Clarion Free Library, 644 Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214, [Wilderness.org](http://Wilderness.org), or to the National Park Foundation, [www.nationalparks.org](http://www.nationalparks.org).

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV **15**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Robert V. Burns Funeral Home  
638 Wood Street  
Clarion, PA 16214  
(814) 226-6300  
<https://www.rvburnsfuneralhome.com>

## Viewing

NOV **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Robert V. Burns Funeral Home  
638 Wood Street  
Clarion, PA 16214  
(814) 226-6300  
<https://www.rvburnsfuneralhome.com>

## Viewing

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
700 Wood Street  
Clarion, PA 16214

## Service

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NOV **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
700 Wood Street  
Clarion, PA 16214

# Tribute Wall

PA

“ So sorry for your loss Norma. My deepest condolences to you and the family.  
GOD Bless..  
Pam(Best) Smith

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**Pam** - November 18, 2019 at 10:59 PM

MF

“ Zach was a great guy and was an active member of the South Central PA Search and Rescue Team... Zach served with pride and he will be greatly missed. RIP Friend



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**Michael Fischer** - November 15, 2019 at 11:13 PM

RW

“ We didn't talk as much lately, which I regret;  
but, he was a good man and I always  
appreciated his friendship and his candor.  
The loss of him will always be felt and  
memories felt.



---(Havamal Stanzas 76, 77)---

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Rebecca Wise - November 15, 2019 at 07:32 PM

JG

“ Norma, Mary and I are deeply saddened to hear of Zach’s passing. Please accept our condolences. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Joe and Mary Gaydash*

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**Joe Gaydash** - November 15, 2019 at 05:45 PM

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“ WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY LOVE AUNT JO

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**LORRAINE** - November 15, 2019 at 01:28 PM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.



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November 15, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Robert V Burns Funeral Home** - November 15, 2019 at 10:11 AM

ST

“ Dear Norma and family; We are very sad for you and your family. We are praying and thinking of you. Blaine and Susan Taylor



Susan and Blaine Taylor - November 15, 2019 at 09:30 AM

ZC

“ Zach's "family" of paramedic classmates. purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.



Zach's "family" of paramedic classmates. - November 14, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ 114 files added to the album LifeTributes



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - November 14, 2019 at 05:31 PM

KB

My Deepest Sympathy and Prayers Norma, if You ever need to talk I'm here for You. 🙏🌸

Katy Burns - November 15, 2019 at 06:08 PM

BF

“ *Norma and Family , I am so sorry for your lose . May God shelter you in his arms and give you peace. Bea Fulton*

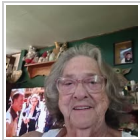
Bea Fulton - November 14, 2019 at 07:38 AM



“ *Peach, Orange & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



November 13, 2019 at 11:02 PM



“ *Joyce Renninger lit a candle in memory of Zachary A. Botzer*



Joyce Renninger - November 13, 2019 at 05:12 PM

PF

“ *Pat Weidner, Pam Tabler, Lynn Hepfl and families. purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



Pat Weidner, Pam Tabler, Lynn Hepfl and families. -  
November 13, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ *White Sympathy Baskets was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



November 13, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



November 13, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



November 13, 2019 at 11:13 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



November 13, 2019 at 05:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.



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November 12, 2019 at 10:49 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.



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November 12, 2019 at 10:09 PM



“ *God Bless Zach's family and loved ones throughout this difficult time.*



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**Erica** - November 12, 2019 at 09:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.



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November 12, 2019 at 08:54 PM

NL

“ *Nancy Lake purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi  
phyllum for the family of Zachary A. Botzer.*



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**Nancy Lake** - November 12, 2019 at 08:09 PM

CN

“ *My cousin Norma's baby boy! What a sweet young man. He was  
always so fun whenever we visited. All my love to his siblings and  
mother..❤️*

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**Catherine Newell** - November 12, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family  
of Zachary A. Botzer.*



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November 12, 2019 at 07:37 PM