



Keenan McCarthy

December 4, 1989 - December 4, 2008

NIAGARA, Wis. - Keenan Rick McCarthy, 19 months, of Niagara, went to be God's little angel on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2008.

He was born May 3, 2007, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital. He will be missed by all. No one could ever overlook that big, beautiful smile he had on his face when they saw him.

Keenan's favorite things to do were to go for a ride in the woods with Daddy and look for the big buck, read book after book with whomever was around to read to him, play with his big sisters, kiss his baby brother every time he cried, and wake up his mommy every morning with a kiss.

He loved his grandparents so dearly. No one could ever have wished for a more loving boy. In his short little life, he changed other's lives so much without even realizing it. He is in God's hands now. He is loved, missed and will never be forgotten.

He is survived by his father, Tony McCarthy; his mother, Crystal Robertson; two sisters, Abbigail and Jadah; one brother, Brenden; grandparents, Rick and Sue McCarthy and Steve and Laura Robertson; aunts and uncles, Tom, Tracy, Tim and Jackie McCarthy, Jeromie and Wendy Robertson, and Tina Bell; eight cousins, Mackenzie, Michael, Dawson, Aurora, Brayden, Emily, Jacob, and

Alyssa; his godfather, Mike Collins; as well as many great-aunts, great-uncles, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Ed and Rose Wiza and Jeanne and Rosair Murray.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

Funeral services will follow at 3 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. David Anderson will officiate.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Keenan McCarthy online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Tribute Wall

AC

“ *Crystal, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. He was such a great loving little boy. If you need anything anytime my number is in the book. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Ann Carlson - December 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Hi Keenan. I miss you and love you so much! You are the best lil brother I could ask for and I want you back to pull my hair and try to get into my bedroom to mess it up. You are my angel and I see you in my dreams every night! I love you. your sissy Jadah!*

P.S. I had my mommy type this cuz I am not a good typer yet!

Jadah McCarthy - December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ *Tony and Crystal we are here for you which I am sure you already know but I just want to remind you if you guys need anything just let us know! We miss Keenan so much and I know he is in a good place. Love Kayla, Joey, Jadah, and Kadynce*

Kayla and Joey Plourde - December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ TONY & CRYSTAL - "IF GOD BRINGS YOU TO IT , HE'LL BRING YOU THROUGH IT" EASIER SAID THAN DONE RIGHT NOW (I KNOW). AS I GRIEVE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY I ALSO STAND BACK AND ADMIRE YOU BOTH FOR BEING SUCH GOOD PARENTS AND STAYING STRONG EVEN WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE CRUMBLING. YOU HAVE TAUGHT ME SO MUCH WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING IT. BOTH OF YOU AND KEENAN WERE AND STILL ARE SURROUNDED BY LOVE. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO GET TO KNOW SUCH A SPECIAL LITTLE BOY !!!!

KERI AMUNDSON - December 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *crystal*
im so sorry to hear about the death of your son if you need someone to talk to im here for you and ur family are in my thoughts and prayers

meghan

meghan bowerman - December 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Tony and Crystal~*
Im so sorry for the loss of Keenan..I remember holding him at the blast games he was so precious, or his drooling in walmart..Remember the memories with him. And I cant imagine what you are going through when i heard what happened my heart broke..Keep all the loving memories of him with you...God Bless Your Whole Family..I will keep you and your family in my thoughts.. Love, Missy and the kids..

Missy, Kiara, Kody, and Kaden Cronick - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ It's hard to know what to say at a time like this. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers throughout this most difficult time. May all your happy memories and friends and family help to heal you. God bless.

Roxy Isaacson - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Rick & Sue,

We are so very sorry about the loss of your grandson. You have our deepest sympathies. We are praying God gives you and your family the strength to bear this loss.

We have put you in our prayer chain. You are not alone.
God Bless you & yours.

Don & Cheryle Pohlman

Don Pohlman - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ This is an absolute tragedy and I am feeling so bad for you. I know exactly how empty you must feel right now, because that is how I felt when I lost my child. I just find it shocking when I read about someone who loses a child and it is not fair for something like that to happen to your family. I wish I could take all the pain away and make it so you have your child back. Everyone says this I know but time will heal your pain. It healed mine but then I went on to have another child so I also think that made the difference as well. So incredibly sad for you. God bless.

J - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Tony, Crystal, T.J., Tracy & The McCarthy's-You all are in our thoughts & prayers. I am so sorry you are all hurting. GOD BLESS YOU ALL and may he give you strength. Your Lil'angel is watching over each and every one of you. Peace. Love, Laura & "Da BoyZZz"-
Justin, Jon & Jacob Kowalczyk

Laura, Justin, Jon, Jacob Kowalczyk - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ mom (Laura) we will all miss Keenan he loved you so much it is hard to except but he is looking over his grandma Laura to make sure she is safe and healthy. Mom he loved you so much and you were real special to him. He will be your little angel watching over you now. love wendy

wendy Robertson - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ Tony, Crystal and family- We are so very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Amy & Brent Okler - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

IW

“ Tony and Family, I am sorry for your loss. Really, I have no idea nor could I ever imagine what that would be like. Just know that Keenan is on God's lap telling him what he wants for Christmas, looking down on you and smiling. My prayers are with you and your family.

Ian Weber - December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Tony & Crystal

We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. If you need anything please let us know.

Rick and Sue if you need anything please let me know. My prayers and thoughts are with you also.

Michelle Garrett and Kelly Hoffart

Michelle and Kelly - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Rick and Sue and all of Keenan's family, hugs to you all as that is all I know to say. I lost a son in 2003 so I know how heart wrenching it is. Keep each other close in this sad time, as I know you will. My prayers are for your family. Love, CarolAnn (and your Eliters family)

CarolAnn Jacques - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ To Rick, Sue and all the McCarthy family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time. Just know that Keenans memory will live on in our hearts forever.

Jackie Hanlon - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ Crystal and Tony,i am thinking of both of you during this hard time,we will all miss Keenan he touched so many people.Keenan new his whole family loved him so much. He sure was a special little boy and everyone loved him so much.
Keenan expecially new how much is mommy and daddy loved him.He will be an angel watching over you everyday to make sure you are safe.

Wendy Robertson - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Rick and Family. Am so sorry to hear about your loss and i hope Keenan is in a better place now until someone goes there to make sure he is behaving. You are in our thoughts and prayers

Barry Hindry - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Rick and family, Words can not express the sadness I am feeling nor the emptiness and pain you and your family are feeling. Keenan is in Gods hands and will be your little angel from above. May the memories you hold in your heart, comfort you through these difficult times. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Tina Harding - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ Crystal and Tony,
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I can only imagine what you are going through. Lean on your family and friends to help you get through this difficult time. Remember you are not alone. Treasure the memories and let a smile come to your face when you think of Keenan. What a beautiful little boy. You are in our thoughts.

Jeni Sandberg (Granquist) - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ WORDS WILL NEVER TAKE THE PAIN AWAY.MAY YOUR LITTLE GUY ALWAYS SIT ON THE LORD'S LAP AND MAKE HEAVEN SHINE.

BOB AND DAWN KOWALCZYK - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ I was heartbroken to hear the news of little Keenan?s death. May our Lord comfort all who loved this beautiful little boy. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time of mourning. Emelia Curran (Grandma Laura's friend)

Emelia Curran - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ We are so saddened by the loss of your little one. You are in our thoughts and prayers.Rose and Steve Wilcox

Rose and Steve Wilcox - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KZ

“ To Keenans loving family, words will not take away your pain and there is no answer to the question of Why?. Keenan is in God's hands and will watch over you all and keep you safe. May God comfort you all and keep you strong in this hard time of your lives. God bless you all, you are in our prayers. Rick your Eliters family holds you all close in their hearts. Love, Kris & Benji

Kris & Benji Zuniga - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Tony & Crystal, I am so very sorry to hear of your tragic loss. Such a beautiful little boy. I pray the Lord lift you up and strengthen you through this difficult time. Praying for you continually.
Love, Sam

Samantha Coron - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

jenni lindstrom - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Tony and Crystal, We are so sorry for the loss of Keenan. May the angels watch over him till you can join him. If there is anything we can do please let us know. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

shane and nicci spade - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Tony and Crystal-

I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I know you were so proud to have a boy, Tony. What a beautiful boy. I will pray for him, and you also. God Bless you and your family.

Kayla Burcar - December 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Crystal and Tony. I am so sorry for the loss. Its so hard when God Calls someone so young home. I will keep All of you in my prayers. I miss you.

Samantha And James - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Tony and Crystal,
Both Michael and I are so sorry to hear about this great loss. We want you to know that your entire family are in our thoughts and prayers for many days and months to come. Try to feel soothed that god has taken Keenan from you but returned him to his true home.
Love always,
Michael & KayCee Owens
God Bless You

Michael & KayCee Owens - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Tony and Crystal~ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jessica and Jason Lidbeck - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EE

“ Tony and Crystal.. I am soo sorry for the lose of your little angel. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Erin and Emma - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ I am so sorry to here about your loss of your little one. I know what it is like my sisters passed away at 2&3.but he will always be in your hearts forever.

Angie - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Tony and Crystal-We are so sorry for your loss. Please remember you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bob and Mary Grell - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Tony and Crystal I am very sorry for your loss. I could never imagine or understand what you both must be going through. I want to give you both my condolences. Im sorry Tony that I am unable to do this in person, You where always there for me growing up and Im sorry I cant be there for you in any way. I am unable to leave Texas to get back home. God bless your family and I am very sorry for your loss.

Michael Owens - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ To Rick, Sue and family.

There's nothing we can say to help ease the pain you all are going through. Just know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. If you need to talk we are here for ya.

Dona and Sean Penton - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ Rick...I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Nothing will ever take the pain away or make sense of this loss. Just know that Keenan loved you and he is with God.

God Bless you and your family

Aurora-rorie41 - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

A(

“ Crystal and Tony...We am so sorry for the lose of you little guy! You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers!

Mike and Ashley Robertson (Osieczonek)

Ashley Robertson (Osieczonek) - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Rick,
Words cannot express my sadness for you and your family right now.
We can only seek comfort through God and His word, and there is no doubt that Keenan is in His hands now and I am sure he is telling God how much he loved you!

From the words of Jesus in Matthew 18:

1 At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? 2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, 3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

God be with you and Bless your family Rick.

*Love,
Joey*

Joey Ferrell - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Tony and Crystal, Ed and I were devastated by the news when Ryne told us. You and your families continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. Please always remember that we are here if you need anything at anytime and please do not hesitate to lean on family and friends during this time. Also know that Keenan touched many with his beautiful smile and will always be present in our hearts.

Ed and Tammy Sauld - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ To Keenan's family but especially to Rick and Sue - Nothing will ever take the pain away or make sense of this loss. Just know that Keenan loved you a week ago and you all loved him then too. None of that will ever change. He will live on in your hearts and his love will still surround you.
Rick's Eliters cribbage friends.

Linda Purcell - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Tony & Crystal may God bless you and your families during this difficult time and comfort you all as much is possible. I will be praying this for you all.

Jerri Applin(Spade) - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ Tony, Crystal and family, Please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of your precious little boy. Words can not express how sorry we are for the pain you are enduring. We pray for your Peace and comfort during these most trying times.
With Love & Sympathy Kristin, Dan and Family

Kristin and Dan Vallee - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Tony, Crystal, and family... My heart goes out to you all at this time of loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers, and may God help you through this. Love, Amanda and Corrina

Amanda and Corrina Boesen - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

L(

“ Dear Crystal & Tony,
I just heard from my mom about your sweet little boy. I am so sorry.
We will keep your family in our prayers.

Lisa Williamson (Carr) - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

K(

“ Tony and Crystal, Kevin and I are so sorry for your loss. You are in
our thoughts and prayers. God Bless you.

Kevin and Joy Waldbillig (Hyrkas) - December 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM