



## AJ Mathy

July 21, 2010 - November 9, 2024

AJ Mathy, age 14, of Powell, Ohio, peacefully passed away on November 9, 2024 at Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, surrounded by his family. Born on July 21, 2010 to Jay and Teresa (Tysinger) Mathy, AJ was a loving and generous teenager with a tremendous heart who was deeply cherished by family and friends alike.

AJ was an esteemed member of the Olentangy Liberty Cross Country team, a member of the Buckeye Pole Vault Academy, and an active participant at Powell United Methodist Church. His passion for life was evident in everything he did from his enthusiasm for playing video games on the Nintendo Switch and engaging in virtual reality adventures with friends, to an innate talent for dance. Remarkably, Aj had a gift for dancing even without music, despite never having taken formal lessons. A devoted fan of Spiderman and a lover of comic art, AJ showcased exceptional artistic talent. He excelled in drawing, sculpting, and digital art, earning several awards at school. As a straight-A student, AJ had a particular fascination with science and art, which fueled his creativity and academic excellence. Nature held a special place in AJ's heart where joy was found in kayaking, camping, fishing, and creek walking.

This brave child possessed a courageous spirit and an extraordinary ability to prioritize the feelings of others, often using humor to uplift those around him. AJ was a strong advocate for human rights, believing in the power of kindness

and dignity to elevate others. AJ was expressive, compassionate, witty beyond his years, and unrelentingly authentic to who he was. His free spirit and infectious positivity will be profoundly missed by his family, friends, youth group members, teammates, and everyone fortunate enough to have crossed paths with this remarkable soul.

AJ is preceded in death by his beloved grandmother Jane Mathy and grandfather Robert Mathy.

He is survived by his loving sisters Emma and Addison Mathy, and a cherished extended family including: grandmother Mary Tysinger, grandfather Larry Tysinger, a large network of aunts, uncles, and cousins too numerous to mention. AJ will also be deeply missed by his beloved cats, Mocha and Luna, who brought joy and companionship to his life.

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell (450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio 43065) will host calling hours on Friday, November 15, 2024 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. A funeral service will be held in AJ's honor on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at Powell United Methodist Church, 825 East Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio 43065. Interment to follow at Kingwood Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers the family kindly requests donations be made in AJ's memory to: Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio at <https://www.nationwidechildrens.org/giving> or by mail at P.O. Box 16810, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Rutherford Funeral Home Powell is honored to care for the Mathy family.

# Cemetery Details

## Kingwood Memorial Park

8230 Columbus Pike  
Lewis Center, OH 43035  
(740) 548-5509

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **15**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Powell United Methodist Church  
825 East Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
<http://www.powellumc.org/>

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Jennifer B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AJ Mathy.

Jennifer B. - November 26, 2024 at 07:46 PM

JC

“ Jay, Teresa and family, Sending you Hugs, Love and Prayers during this difficult time. You are in our thoughts daily! AJ will be greatly missed by many!

Jeff & Cammie - November 18, 2024 at 06:19 AM



“ Jay, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Wendy Antritt-McDaniel - November 17, 2024 at 09:22 PM

WP

“ We send our prayers, Mark & Teresa Popik purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of AJ Mathy.



We send our prayers, Mark & Teresa Popik - November 16, 2024 at 08:18 PM

BF

“ *Bella,Aurora and Scarlet Flores purchased the I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket for the family of AJ Mathy.*



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**Bella,Aurora and Scarlet Flores** - November 16, 2024 at 10:36 AM

BF

“ *Bella,Aurora and Scarlet Flores planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AJ Mathy.*

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**Bella,Aurora and Scarlet Flores** - November 16, 2024 at 10:36 AM

MS

“ *May Our Heavenly Father Hold beautiful AJ tight in His Perfect Memory until Resurrection. We can't wait to see him again 🙏*

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**Maria Edith Salinas** - November 16, 2024 at 10:30 AM

JM

“ *I am so very sorry for your unimaginable loss.  
Julie McKendry Matheny*

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**Julie Matheny** - November 16, 2024 at 08:44 AM

ML

“ *We are so very sorry! We feel blest to have had AJ in our daughter's life and we thank AJ for sharing his light and energy and love with us all. Our hearts ache for you and we no that no words can truly express the depth of your hurt and loss, but we pray you will find strength in the love and support surrounding you.*

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**Molly Lord** - November 15, 2024 at 10:23 AM

JK

“ I am very sorry for your loss. AJ will be missing and the hole they left can never be filled.

Jim Kernohan - November 15, 2024 at 06:11 AM

SI

“ I am so sorry for your loss. AJ was such a bright, caring person bringing smiles and laughter. AJ will be missed. Sending you love and light

Sierra - November 15, 2024 at 03:18 AM

KW

“ AJ sounds like he was such a bright light in a world that can often seem dark. As a parent, I cannot imagine the grief you are feeling. As a sister, I cannot imagine losing my brother. May you find peace in the memory of him. He has touched the lives of so many during his short time in this world. I am certain he is shining bright in his next life. Until we meet again sweet AJ.

Kristi Walter - November 14, 2024 at 10:17 PM

MD

“ Jay and family - I just wanted you to know I'm thinking of you - I'm so sorry for your loss. Marty Dahlman

Marty Dahlman - November 14, 2024 at 09:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of AJ Mathy.

November 14, 2024 at 09:31 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.

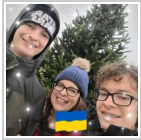


November 14, 2024 at 09:31 PM



“ Dear Teresa, Jay and family, Our hearts go out to you all. We are so sorry for your loss and send love and prayers to each of you.  
Gretchen and Roger Shay ( Katie's parents)

Roger and Gretchen Shay - November 14, 2024 at 09:24 PM



“ Teresa, Jay, Emma, Addie, I am so very for your loss of sweet AJ. I will be praying for all of you!

Katie Shay-Sutton - November 14, 2024 at 07:48 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.



November 14, 2024 at 06:22 PM

MB

“ No words can describe how sorry we are for your loss. Please accept our deepest sympathies.

*May AJ's memory be eternal...*

*Mike and Chris Basore*

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**Mike and Chris Basore** - November 14, 2024 at 06:20 PM

DE

“ *The Family of Bill & Donna Tysinger*

*Teresa and Jay. So very sorry for the loss of your son. Love and prayers to you and your family*❤️

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**dan & carla (tysinger) ewing** - November 14, 2024 at 05:46 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.*



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November 14, 2024 at 04:47 PM

LI

“ *So sorry about your loss. Thoughts and prayers with your family through this difficult time.*

*Lisa ( Home Depot )*

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**Lisa** - November 14, 2024 at 04:38 PM

RT

“ Jay and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My heart breaks for you. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Rob Thompson - November 14, 2024 at 03:37 PM

MM

“ To the Mathy family - What a joy it was to know AJ. Since elementary school, he was so smart and funny and always up for adventure! We will never forget him and wish you healing and peace in the days to come. Chad, Mary and Megan Miller

Mary Miller - November 14, 2024 at 03:35 PM

AF

“ Adrienne F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AJ Mathy.

Adrienne F. - November 14, 2024 at 02:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.



November 14, 2024 at 02:03 PM

DS

“ I did not know AJ. Sharing peace, light & love to those grieving his loss - my deepest condolences.

Dan Smith - November 14, 2024 at 01:55 PM

CC

“ I do not know AJ, but yet I cannot help but love him and grieve for your beautiful family. I am an ally and advocate and have you in my prayers and heart.


Charlotte "Char" Click - November 14, 2024 at 01:36 PM

SJ

“ Dear Mathy family, I am incredibly said to read about Aj. Sending you healing thoughts and prayers you your family and friends. May you find peace in all your memories. My heart breaks for you all.  
Sheryl Johnston

Sheryl Johnston - November 14, 2024 at 01:06 PM

LC

“ I am so sorry to read this.... Nothing could be harder than losing a child. Every positive vibe to you and your family as you go through this grieving process. I'm at a loss for words. Many hugs to you, Jay, and your wife and children.... 

Lance Chalfant - November 14, 2024 at 11:38 AM

DT

“ We are heartbroken. We are very sorry for your loss! Praying for you all on this difficult moment! Much love! Taylor Family!☐

Di Taylor - November 14, 2024 at 11:15 AM

ZI

“ So very sorry your loss. Sending you love from Massachusetts. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Thank you for sharing the link to the hospital; I just made a donation in AJ's memory.

Ziggy - November 14, 2024 at 10:36 AM

TH

“ So sorry to hear about AJ RIP

Tom Heineike - November 14, 2024 at 10:35 AM

KA

“ Our deepest condolences to the Mathy family. Our hearts go out to you. From our Tyler Run days, AJ was always full of positive energy and a delight to be around. May happy memories of AJ comfort you, now and always.

The DePaul Family

Kate - November 14, 2024 at 10:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of AJ Mathy.

November 14, 2024 at 10:12 AM

LH

“ Teresa, I am heartbroken to learn about AJ. Sending you love light and prayers. I hope you all find comfort in the wonderful memories that you shared in the months to come. May his memory be a blessing. Sending you so much love.

Lizzie Hourigan - November 14, 2024 at 10:10 AM

AR

Jaybird, I am so sorry for the loss of your son. We are praying for you, Teresa and your daughters. God Bless you all.

Amy and Pat Reitter

Amy Reitter - November 17, 2024 at 09:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of AJ Mathy.

November 14, 2024 at 10:00 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.



November 14, 2024 at 10:00 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of AJ Mathy.



November 14, 2024 at 09:45 AM



“ Liz, Ryan, Zack & Jaclyn Griffin purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of AJ Mathy.



Liz, Ryan, Zack & Jaclyn Griffin - November 13, 2024 at 10:43 PM