



## Matthew Daniel Sperry

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My deepest condolences to the Sperry family. I'll never forget our little league 5th grade baseball team. Matthew was the catcher and great player. I hope during this time you continue to feel Matthew's presence and feel the Savior's love.

- David Larkin

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Our hearts go out to you at this tender time. Matt will be safe in the loving arms of the Savior. Richard and Janet we remember you fondly from years ago as we were neighbors.

- Rob and Colleen Bauman

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Sperry is one of my best friends and I will miss him very much. My heart goes to his family and to him. I grew up with Matthew and could always count on him. Whether scouts, work, school, church, sports, girls, parents, friends, teachers ... sperry was always my go to friend to confront any force. We got into allot of trouble together but we also got out of trouble together. I love you brother and will miss you very much.

- Daniel Brown

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I will always remember Matthew for his boisterous smile. It was infectious. You couldn't help but smile too when in he was around.

- Nikki and Phil Stoddard

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My deepest condolences to the Sperry family and all Matthew's friends.

- Daniel Pittam

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Matthew has been a childhood and neighborhood friend my entire life! My absolute favorite thing about him was his always happy and contagious laugh and smile! Matthew was a great friend to all and had such a special relationship with everyone that knew him. He knew how to enjoy life and make the best of every situation. Thinking of his family at this time and I am so grateful for the plan of salvation and to know that friends and family can see him again.

- Ali Babcock (Jeffs)

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Richard and Janet, so sorry to hear about the loss of your son. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time for you and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers and may the Lord bless you and provide you with a comfort that you need at this time. Kathy Thomas

- Kathy Thomas

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Sperry was one of a kind. He was always joking and having fun. He had a way of being able to make light of almost any situation but when he couldn't, he was right there to offer comfort and words of wisdom. He loved life and cared deeply about his family and Friends. You will be greatly missed. I send my most sincere condolences to the Sperry family during this time as his loss is deeply felt by so many. May you find comfort in how much Sperry was loved and how great of a life he truly lived. Rest in paradise brother.

- Evan Felt

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Matty... I am gonna miss you ! Chatting in Slack and seeing you and Mr. Bones in the Chime meetings. ■

- Terri Geddis

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Seeing that Matthew passed stopped my heart. I was just laughing at his jokes and reminiscing with him last week. He was always the most hilarious person in the room and I'll never forget his laugh, or the adventures we've made since elementary. RIP Sperry. The world just lost a little bit of sparkle ■

- Quinn Price

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Makes me so sad to hear, he was always so kind to me and always lit up the room. I wasn't the closet friend to him, but he definitely was a great person to be around, always put a smile on my face! Rest In Peace Matthew.

- Scott Bringham

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Condolences from Carolyn and family. I always loved playing whiffle ball with Matthew and kids, and mom loved having them play.

- Dan

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I will greatly miss my friend Matthew Sperry and I send my deepest condolences to his family. Matthew was always a joy to be with. His happiness and smile were contagious. I was particularly close to him during our times together playing baseball at East High and when he returned home from his mission. He had a significant impact on my journey to serve a mission. I will remember him fondly and I rejoice in the hope that his spirit lives on. Until we meet

again brother!

- Parker Van Dyke

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Sorry for your loss.

- Tracy Luthi

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Richard and Janet, I'm so incredibly sorry to hear about Matthew. I have many fun memories of him from Bonneville. I lost my oldest son, Josh, in July and I know the incredible pain, sorrow and disbelief you are feeling. Parents shouldn't ever have to experience this. We also had a small memorial service with Zoom and it ended up being amazing. So many people joined us and shared memories. A friend of Josh's also started a Josh Lewis Memorial page in Facebook that has been a fantastic way to meet and stay in touch with Josh's friends. That might be something that would help you through this. My heart is with you. Kathy Lewis

- kathy lewis

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Dear Sperry family, Jane and I and the rest of our family were stunned and saddened at the passing of Matt. We have known him for so many years here in our neighborhood and ward. As has been said by others, he always had such a wonderful smile and happiness about him that was contagious. Jane, who taught him in primary briefly, said that he often had a mischievous twinkle in his eye and had a wonderful sweetness and gentle kindness about him. He was always outgoing and friendly. We will miss him and pray that the Lord's blessings will be with all of you. We love you!

- Marc and Jane Sanders

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My childhood would not have been what it was without cousins like Matthew and his brothers and sisters. I babysat Matthew and Jason. Our families went on vacations together. We had countless canyon campfire gatherings. The Sperry family is in our prayers. We love you. We will miss Matthew.

- Andy Brough

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My heart goes out to the Sperry family. I grew up just a street away from the Sperry's and always remembered Matthew as a little kid with a lot of attitude. He was my younger brother's age and I would see him from time to time. Then life happened, and I didn't see Matthew for probably 10 or so years until I ran into him working at Zions Bank. I didn't recognize him, but he introduced himself to me and we made the connection. Over the next couple years I had a number of interactions with Matthew and each time I was taken aback at how much Matthew had changed since I knew him in his youth. He was beyond helpful, and an absolute joy to and had so much light in his eyes. I'm heartbroken to hear of his passing. I'll truly miss running into him.

- Sean Swenson

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Matthew was one of a kind. He always found a way to bring a smile to people's faces. He was a genuine person and a great friend. He will be deeply missed.

- Jasmihn & Tom Coombs

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While I have many memories of Matthew, my favorite was his friendly demeanor and his smile. I was lucky to be able to call him my cousin. My love and condolences go out to the Sperry's

- SCOTT KASTELER

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My deepest sincere sympathy to the Sperry family. I so enjoyed Matthew in class at Clayton Middle School. He was always full of life and that big smile. God bless you good folks. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Mr. Young■

- Mr. David Young

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Sperry Family- Our hearts are saddened to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are for you and your family at this tender time. We are grateful for the Plan of Salvation and the knowledge of forever families. Rich and Karrie Cook

- Richard and Karrie

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Dear wonderful Sperry Family, I was so saddened to hear of Mathews passing. Over the years I saw him frequently at the Body Wise Gym and appreciated his effervescent, friendly personality. I also observed how happy Perla, another trainer at our gym who is from Latin America,, enjoyed chatting with him in her native language. I felt his goodness. Also, in reading his obituary, I learned more of his interests and the wonderful parenting he received from your loving hearts. I have such respect for you and all you have lived as a bonded family- my prayers are with you in these days of transition. Lastly, I will be glad to see Mathew again someday in our Heavenly Home! Much Love, Andrea Paulsen

- Andrea Paulsen

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I had the privilege of being Matthew's soccer coach for many years. I feel like he's one of my boys. Soccer wasn't his primary sport, but he gave it everything, in every game. He lifted his team when times were down. Brought a smile to my face when he would challenge an opposing center forward. He often tormented opponents and I'd see him turn away for a moment with a wry smile and give me a little head flick to assure me he was working every angle. Matthew was a great teammate. He laughed hard. His eyes sparkled with being with his friends. In recent years, he would light up my day when I would see him at Zions Bank. The eyes would sparkle again when he saw me. He'd take care of my business, but work in a funny quip and I'd go on with my day. He lifted me for those moments, just like when he was on the soccer field. Rest in Peace dear Matthew. God Bless your wonderful supportive family. You will be together again.

- Des Barker

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Rest In Peace Matt. I am so lucky to have met him. Such a fun and outgoing person. Thanks for making my work days more exciting.

- Jorgi R

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There are so many memories I have of Matthew but in many of them he was smiling and making us all laugh. He was always there with a hug and a genuine 'how are you' whenever I saw him. He even made sure to get my

attention at a Utah game in the crowded concourse to say hello. From playing together as kids, to our family vacations, to laughing about our crazy moms, to just sitting together eating meals, he was a great person to be around. He is the kind of cousin everyone should have and I will miss him a lot. Sending all of our love and prayers. Michelle, Alex & Lily.

- Michelle Harris

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Where do I even begin?! Matthew was an amazing friend and someone I always wanted to be around. So many memories, from little league and high school sports, sluffing seminary, weekend hangouts and sleepovers, our trip to Saint George, golfing, the MTC and much, much more. It's difficult to think of a hilarious high school memory without Matthew involved - nobody could make me laugh like he could! I'm grateful I was able to get together with "Sper Bear" a couple more times recently, those were the highlights of my 2020. My condolences to the Sperry family for this tragic loss. I will always cherish my memories with Matthew. God be with you 'til we meet again!

- Miles Waltman

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What a phenomenal being is Matthew Sperry! From the day Matt was born, he has inspired, cheered, motivated and gladdened the hearts of all who have known him...thus far! No-doubt, Matt is doing the same already in his new home, having just temporarily moved to another, happy sphere. We have admired Matt throughout his life, having had the privilege of sharing of his spirit and enthusiasm in Church classes, as neighbors, around school settings, and on Scout camps. We are confident in his continued great future, as a noble son of God. And, we exult pondering the privilege to see him again, someday soon. May the Good Lord continue to comfort, cheer and embrace Matt's Family, as we know He will. With Love, Terese and Dave Cracroft

- David Cracroft

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Mathew was my closest friend, I would even consider him my brother. I don't think I would be the person I am today if he wasn't in my life. He always brought the beat out in me and always was able to put a smile on my face even in my darkest of times. Mathew was definitely one of a kind. He spoke so highly of his family, I regret never becoming closer with them, but I send my deepest condolences and love towards all the Sperry's. He will truly be missed.

- Zerek Sanchez

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janet and richard i am very sorry hear about your son matthew passed away make my heart crush so sad and i remember matthew after you born new baby boy matthew playing with my dog jenny we love you janet and your whole family matthew will see your parent virgina and Daniel and Arther in heaven i will prayer you and your family love you janet of my neighborhhod for 30 years jeff hanks

- Jeff Hanks

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We have such great memories of being Sperry's Ma and Pa on trek many years ago. He definitely had an energy about him that attracted people and livened up any gathering! We are so sorry to hear of his passing at such a young age, and hope you will be comforted during this very difficult time.

- Liz & Randy Jensen

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There are no words to describe how sorry we are for your loss. May your sweet Matthew rest in peace. We love you all so much!

- Eileen and Bryan Kasteler

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We love you Sperry family. There are no words to express our heartache...you all are in our continual thoughts and prayers. Mathew walks with God and will be forever in our hearts. Take one day at a time knowing you are never alone. We stand with and by you always. May you be carried in His loving arms holding tight to His beautiful plan.

- Lisa Lloyd

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Dear Sperry Family, We love you. You are in our prayers and in our hearts. We are so sorry and sad to hear of Matthew's passing. We loved reading about his life, personality, interests, and seeing his joy and smile. May you feel at peace and wrapped in the loving arms of the Savior. Love, The Doxeyes

- Daniel and Chelsea Doxey

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Matt was a few years older than me, but I have so many funny memories of him from our neighborhood. Some of my favorites are from when we all took the bus to Lowell for a year in elementary school while Bonneville was under reconstruction. He would joke around with our bus driver Karen and made everyone on the bus laugh so hard! I remember thinking I was on the coolest bus because we had Matt Sperry on it. I am sending love to your family and know that I am one of so many people who is thinking fondly of Matt today.

- Nell Stevens

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We were so sorry to hear of your terrible loss. We sure love the Sperry family, and you have been in our constant thoughts and prayers. May you feel the comfort and peace only the Savior can bring at this time.

- Sarah (Doxey) Mendoza

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Dr. Sperry, I am so saddened by your loss. Reading about Matthew, I can easily sense his spirit and bright presence. I will hold you, your wife and family in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Carina Jackman

- Carina Jackman

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Dearest Dr. and Mrs. Sperry and Family, My heart is broken due to your loss of a beloved child, brother, grandchild, uncle, and friend. It is never easy laying one of our loved ones to eternal rest; however, we have great peace knowing that they are in the gracious arms of our Loving Savior, Jesus Christ and that we have a promise that we will be reunited with them in eternity. Until then, this is our comfort and hope. My deepest condolences to each of you as you grieve this great loss in your own way with your Savior. Know always that He is by your side willing and wanting to carry your burden while He nestles you in His comforting arms of peace. Forever in the Love of Christ, Tish Pendley

- Tish Pendley

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Dear Dr. and Mrs. Sperry, I was heart broken to hear of your son's passing away. Words can not express the sadness that we feel for your loss. Please don't hesitate to contact us should you need any help at work or at your house. Sincerely, Jeff and Julie Lu

- Jeff and Julie Lu

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I do not have adequate words to express how sorry I am to hear of your son's passing. Please know I will keep your family close in my heart and thoughts and am sending you all love and strength.

- Christina Bokat

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I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. So grateful for the Plan of Salvation and the knowledge of Eternal Families.

- Wendy Stoddard RN

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Our family sends our deepest love and condolences. You have a heavenly connection and he will be close by. He heart is filled with spiritual light and love comforted by his personal Savior who cradles him in his healing arms of safety. "Earth hath no sorrow that heaven cannot heal". Our hearts are with you, dear Sperrys. You are a forever family. His promises are sure. Reunions will be sweet. Much love from The Brad and Mary Ann Hatch Family

- Brad and Mary Ann Hatch Family

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Matthew was not only a delight he was awesome in so many ways. He lit up all the people he was around in a good way. We love him and always will. Love to all of you. Uncle Mike and Aunt Linda

- Linda Brough

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Dear Sperry Family, I am so very sorry to read about the loss of Matthew. Your entire family is in my thoughts and prayers. With love, Mike McAllister

- Mike McAllister

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Dear Janet and Richard and family; I am sorry to hear about your son and brother. He sounds like a wonderful young man. May you have the remembrance of his memories with you and your family throughout the eternities. May Heavenly Father bless and comfort you at this time. Lovingly, Carol Brotherson Hansen

- Carol Brotherson Hansen

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Sperry Family, I am so saddened and sorry to hear of the passing of Matthew. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. James McAllister Family

- James McAllister

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Dear Sperry Family, I am so saddened to hear about Matthew's passing. I had the privilege of having Matthew in my primary class for two years. I taught the 7-year olds, who were preparing for baptism, and the same children in the 8-year old class. Such an impressionable and special age. I remember Matthew as a bright light and someone who even at a young age loved the Savior. He was so excited to be baptized! I also know he loved his family so much. I pray you will feel comforted. You are in my heart at this time. Sending my love, Holly

- Holly McAllister

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Dear Sperry Family, we were stunned at the news of Matthew's death. We submit to your family our deepest love and condolences. We have many fond memories of Matthew. His smile, wit and zest for adventure was contagious and will be dearly missed. May the Lord's comfort rest upon each of you during this period of mourning.

- Steve & Karen Davis

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Our whole family is very sorry to hear about your loss. Sperry was on our little league football team, baseball team, and as an adult we enjoyed watching him and visiting with him at the softball games. Our deepest condolences.

- Jennifer Coombs

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Dear Sperry Family, We send to you our heartfelt sympathies and deep condolences on the loss of your family member, Matthew. We know you are heartbroken and feel lost, but Heavenly Father is mindful of you and loves you and Matthew unconditionally and will send angels to attend you during these hard times. Please know you are in our prayers and our thoughts. We send our love to you!!

- Karen/Paul Pehrson

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Dear Sperry Family We love you and are thinking of you. Praying for you at this time. Our hearts are broken. We have been remembering Matthew. Enjoying pictures and videos. We have great memories of Matthew playing baseball, at school programs and hanging with those neighborhood boys. He has a larger than life personality and we always enjoyed having him in our home. We will miss his humor and darling smile until we see him again. We love You all. Amy and Kevin Curtis and family

- Amy Curtis

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Dearest Sperrys, My heart is broken hearing about your tragic loss! Matthew was such a staple in my childhood. Age didn't matter those long summer days of elementary school, as we all played and roamed back and forth from each other's homes. My childhood scrapbooks are full of photos and memories with Matthew. He was just too funny, wild, obnoxious, and energetic to even handle sometimes, but always the life of the party. I will always cherish my memories and the good times with Matthew. I have so much love for all of you and sympathize with the grief you are feeling. I will look forward to the time our paths can cross again and I can offer the biggest hug or shoulder to cry on! Love, Caitlin

- Caitlin Mecham Boyer

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Matthew Sperry was my best friend. I would even say he my second brother. He was funny, sarcastic, heartfelt, genuine, he was everything you wanted in a friend. I will miss his hugs, and his laugh even more. He was a

beautiful human being and it was an honor to know him. It was an honor to get as close to him as I did. I send my most sincere condolences to this very family that I love them with my whole heart.

- Henry Hayes

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He always knew how to make his friends smile and brought out the best in people. He will be missed by all. We will see you on the other side Sperry!

- Aaron

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Janet, my heart is breaking for you and your family! I will pray for the spirit to give you peace and comfort in the minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years to come! So very sorry for your loss!

- Nancy palmer

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Sperry is such a fun loving, inclusive, happy guy who always seems to help others have more fun and keep the mood light. It was always more fun when Sperry was around. Such a great personality. He loves his family so much and they, and we, love him so much. Thanks for sharing such a great celebration of his life today, with all of us. It was a wonderful service. He will be sorely missed and always remembered. Love love love.

- Marty Lloyd

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Dear Sperry Family, We join with your Ward and neighborhood family to send our condolences and love at this sad time. Matt was our family teller at Zions Bank and always enjoyed his smile and well wishes. We love the Sperry family and are praying that you will be comforted by the Spirit. Love, Todd and Liz Stevens Family

- Todd Stevens

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Matthew is so fun and the life of the party! I loved getting to know him in Young Men. He made it fun and a joy to be together. We both love how he reaches out to others with love and sincere interest in them. Our hearts are deeply saddened for you, but we know that he is in our Father's great love and tender care. As always you are a great strength to all of us. We love you so much, Robert and Denise Doxey

- Robert and Denise Doxey

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My heart goes out to the Sperry family during this difficult time. This is a huge loss to anyone that knew Matthew, at any point in his life. Matthew was one of a kind, and was loved by so many. I cherish any time spent with Sperry, and the memories I shared with him. It can't be said enough, Matthew was the funniest guy and brought so much joy and laughter to everyone around him. You couldn't help but smile when you were with him. I am so lucky to have known Matthew and to love him. He will be deeply missed xox

- Emma Eakland

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Never forgotten brother! Ofa atu!

- Mataika Tuai

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I worked with Matthew side by side. He was a wonderful person. He made me laugh and was a genuinely caring person. I'm so sorry for your lost. His family are in my prayers. May he rest in peace.

- Virginia Wootan

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Dear Sperry Family, I want to send my deepest condolences and let you know what a beautiful service you provided for your son and Brother. Having the good fortune of working with Mathew and his friends over the years through scouting, young mens and as a neighbor, I got to see first hand what a kind and special person he is. As one who loves to laugh, he always kept me smiling....or in stitches. I absolutely love that boy! To this day, my sons, (Nick and Max) and I still share stories of his humor and kindness. He was always so good to them. As an upper classmate, he helped Nick feel welcome and a part of the golf team, often going out of his way to ensure he had rides to practice and participated in their evening team-bonding activities. That meant a ton to Nick; and to me and Kris. When I was asked to "coach" the ward basketball team, Max, was just a little tike, but he loved going to games, primarily because Mathew made him feel so welcome and accepted. It's not often a popular, athletic, teenager pays much attention to a quiet little kid, but Mathew wasn't a typical teenager. Seeing his kind and loving nature as he interacted with Max, making him feel important, was inspiring and heartwarming. Though it seems he may have left this earthly realm a little early, his infectious smile, kindheartedness and enthusiastic personality, certainly made it a better place for the rest of us. I know I'm a better person for knowing him. May peace and comfort be with you, Brett Neuberger

- Brett Neuberger

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I am so sorry to hear of this heartbreaking loss. I love the Sperry family and always enjoyed getting to know Matt. Despite this loss, I know we can take comfort in the promises of the gospel.

- John Darley

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Dear Sperry Family, We were saddened to learn of Matthew's passing and at the same time we are grateful for the time we were able to spend with him. His warm and engaging personality, and his kindness to everyone are qualities that we hope our own sons will emulate. Matt was always very patient, kind and generous of his time to and with Will and Spencer. Matt's positive interactions with them reflect how compassionate Matt was here on earth and how he will treat and help all those he encounters for eternity. Dewey, Kari, Will and Spencer Reagan

- Dewey Reagan

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We miss you Sperry , you were such a joy every time and the best at making people laugh, I pray you're in heaven with the angels looking after your friends and family. It was a pleasure to be able to hang out and get to know you . Until we meet again my friend, much love.

- Joshua silva