



Alex Robert Bowlin

December 13, 1996 - December 27, 2020

On Sunday, December 27, 2020, Alex Robert Bowlin passed away at his home in Bend, Oregon. His infectious smile and positivity will never be forgotten. Alex was born just minutes after his twin sister, Allie Bowlin, on a crisp December day in Salem, Oregon in 1996. From that day on, Alex brought nothing but authentic care and happiness to every person he met and every relationship he built. He was a genuine friend to so many, an accomplished soccer player, golfer, skier, scuba diver, river rafter, bowler and an avid outdoor adventurer; constantly hiking and skiing the Cascades with friends and family. Whether through work, school or sports, every aspect of Alex's life welcomed new, lifelong friends that he cherished.

Alex attended Summit High School, where he was a member of both soccer and golf teams all four years. Alex led his team to a state championship junior year; winning player of the year and scoring 15 goals in just that season alone. He went on to attend Washington State University and the University of Oregon, where he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, just like his brother James. Alex spent time working as a river guide in Maupin, Oregon, and on the mountain in Big Sky, Montana. He was passionate about showing all who visited the beauty in nature.

Alex passed away from Type 1 diabetic complications. He is survived by his loving parents, Jim and Lisa Bowlin; older brother, James; twin sister, Allie;

grandparents Jim and Kathie Bowlin and grandmother Joanne Bowlin. He is also survived by his uncles, Corey Bowlin and Jack Thomas; aunt and uncle Bob and Linda Goodwill, his girlfriend of two years, Emma, and so many friends whom he cared for deeply. He also leaves behind one of his favorite outdoor adventure buddies, his family's yorkie poodle mix, Beau.

A celebration of Alex's life will be held by his family at a later date. Memorial Contributions can be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) that aims to end Type 1 diabetes (T1D).

In a journal Alex kept, he wrote, "Friends, climb mountains, not for the world to see you, but for you to see the world." It is his family's hope that those who knew Alex keep his spirit of exploration and admiration for the world in their hearts in his honor.

Arrangements by Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home, 105 NW Irving Ave, Bend, OR 97701.

Tribute Wall

JD

“ *Please accept my condolences.*

Jeff Davis - April 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *With heartfelt condolences,*

Jill and Greg Moore - February 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *Dear Bowlin family, our deepest condolences for the loss of your sweet Alex. Sending love, prayers and strength to your family.*

With love from The Emery Family - February 04, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our deep condolences to your family. Warmly, Dave and Diane Dedrick Friends*

Diane Miesen Dedrick - January 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

S(

“ *To the Bowlin Family...Alex will live in our hearts forever. One tree for each of us..Shawn Hayden and Harrison Wheeler*

Shawn Zettle (Wheeler) - January 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *May memories be a blessing to your family! Sending our condolences ! Alex will be missed! The Grossman Family. Glenn, Pam, Taylor, Carly & Jonah*

Tribute Store - January 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ With loving memories of "Alex Bowlin", Warmly, The Smallwood Family

Becky Smallwood - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BY

“ In memory of a beautiful soul!

Bill, Evelyn & Kierstyn Yardley - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Just saw Alex's obituary this morning my heart skipped a beat. Way too soon. I send my deepest thoughts and prayers Jim, Lisa, James and Allie. A lot of ups and downs with Alex during the time I had the privilege of coaching him and just watching him play, he even made soccer fun to watch! I loved having him around, loved his competitiveness as well as his relaxed demeanor. I will truly miss seeing him. Andy Heinly

AndyHeinly - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ We feel truly lucky that we were able to have as much time as we did with Alex over the years. We will always cherish those special memories. Alex was a shining star, a wonderful young man and a pleasure to be around. Sending our love to the Bowlin family. Meredith and Lyndon Blackwell

Meredith Blackwell - January 12, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ With thoughts of peace and courage for you,

Judy and Dirk van Westreenen - January 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss... Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Tandra and Tom Teramura - January 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ Jim, So sorry to hear about the loss of Alex. I enjoyed reading about him. He really lived life to the fullest. I'm sure you are recounting some great memories of him. You and Lisa are in my thoughts.
Gregg Thompson

Gregg Thompson - January 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ All our love

Schmidt family - January 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire Bowlin family. May God bless his memory and may Alex live in our hearts forever. Love, the Schmidt Family

Hildur schmidt - January 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I feel so blessed to have known Alex as a close friend. His love for life and smile could fill a room. Sending my love to Emma & the Bowlin family.

Madison Cullen - January 06, 2021 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Praying for the Bowlin family and Emma. May your hearts and souls find peace and comfort in this trying time.

Mak LaPorte - January 06, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Alex will live on forever in the hearts and lives of the people who were lucky enough to have known him. Our thoughts & prayers are with his family.

The Weaver Family - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The Baron family - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ With loving memories of Alex. Sending all our love,. The Watts family

Tribute Store - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers

Ed & Cynthia Watson - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Your PEO Sisters are thinking of you and your family.

Tribute Store - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *All our love and sympathy! May God Bless your whole family and give you courage and strength during this trying time. Chester and Jan*

Janice Ewing - January 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Our heart breaks for your family! Alex was such a beautiful person and will be greatly missed! We are praying for peace and comfort for you all!!*

Much Love~ The Wells Family - January 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *Loving kindness from the Mensing Family*

Mensing - January 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *You are all in our thoughts and prayers!*

Scott & Gail Hunt - January 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Praying peace and comfort are found in your memories and that you are able to lean into the love of friends and family in the days ahead. We love you!*

Jeff & Ang - January 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM