



Corporal Derek Lee Edinger

June 1, 1987 - March 25, 2013

Corporal Derek Lee Edinger, age 25, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 4:36 a.m., on Monday, March 25, 2013, at his residence. A memorial service in his honor will begin at 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 29, 2013, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL. Family and friends will officiate. Visitation will be held from 2:00-5:00 p.m., at the funeral home.

Born June 1, 1987, in Mattoon, IL, Derek was the son of Alan and Vicky McFadden Edinger. He is survived by his mother, Vicky Edinger of Arcola, IL; two brothers, Cory Edinger and wife Kristina of Peoria, IL, and Joel Edinger of Mattoon, IL; grandparents, N. E. and Jean McFadden of Cooks Mills, IL; and grandmother Jane Edinger of Casa Grande, AZ. He also leaves his loyal canine companion, Daisy. Derek was preceded in death by his father, Alan Edinger; his grandfather, Jim Edinger; and his aunt, Tina McFadden.

Derek graduated from Mattoon High School in 2006. He then joined the United States Marine Corps and proudly served our country with tours of duty in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Haiti. He earned the rank of corporal before his illness interfered with his service. Spending time with family and friends, including Daisy, and hanging out at the lake, would no doubt be at the top of Derek's list of favorite pastimes. He also had a fascination with reptiles and enjoyed collecting them. Memorials in his honor may be made to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org, 2509 S. Neil St., Champaign, IL 61820, or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Tribute Wall



“ *Corporal Derek Lee Edinger*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Cory, Kristina, Vicky & Joel - so sorry for your loss. Praying for you all...*

Frank, Lora, Liz, & Nick Purpura - March 28, 2013 at 11:03 AM



“ *Vicky so sorry for your loss!*

Karen Hendrix Noffke - March 28, 2013 at 01:14 AM



“ *Our hearts and prayers are with the family of Derek Lee Edinger. May God Bless the family and be with you at this time of sorrow.*

Frank & Ann Dowd - March 28, 2013 at 12:31 AM



“ *derek we went through so much together i will always have a place for you in my heart i love you so ever much*

amanda krietemeyer - March 27, 2013 at 04:16 PM