



## Ryan M. Moravec

May 6, 1985 - May 22, 2012

Ryan M. Moravec, 27, of Belle Vernon went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 as the result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident. Ryan was born in Monongahela on May 6, 1985 and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the West Penn Track Club. Throughout his schooling, he was in the gifted program, graduated in 2003 from Belle Vernon Area High School, in his senior year, won in the W.P.I.A.L. championships, was the MVP at the Tri-County Meet and was chosen by California University as the Senior Athlete of the Year. At California University, he was an Academic All American in track, received his Master's Degree in Physics in 2009, and taught in the Ringgold and Shippensburg School Districts. In 2010, he was in the top 100 nationally in the steeplechase event. He had just received an offer from Western Alabama College for their cross country coaching position. He was currently a volunteer coach for the Belle Vernon Area Track Teams, loved running daily with his dog, Jake, played guitar, and played hockey in several area leagues. He was in the process of building his own home in Roam, North Carolina. Survivors include his parents, Becky Tilghman Moravec and Mike Moravec, with whom he made his home, two sisters and one brother-in-law, Amanda and Greg DeMedio of Elizabeth and Taylor Moravec of Belle Vernon, one nephew, Vincent DeMedio and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Alberta and Lloyd Tilghman and his paternal grandmother, Clara Moravec in 2000. Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P.M. Friday

in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., (724-929-5300), 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon. [www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com](http://www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com)  
Funeral services will be in the First Presbyterian Church at 11:00 A.M. Saturday with Rev. Suzanne Currie officiating. The officers and members of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the funeral home to hold services on Friday at 6:45 P.M.

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ Ryan Moravec sent a virtual gift in memory of Ryan Moravec



Ryan Moravec - September 03, 2024 at 07:27 PM

ZN

“ We are so grieved to learn about Ryan's accident. We see him everywhere we go when we are on the mountain. Very soon, we will be living there permanently and will be watching his place for you. Words cannot express our sorrow. He was like one of our children. We worried about him, waited for him and watched out for him. Your loss is ours also. Our love and prayers go out to each of you. He was a wonderful son and he was deeply devoted and LOVED his family. The McMahan's

Zoe and Bill McMahan, Bakersville, NC - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Becky, Mike, Amanda, and Taylor, We were so very sorry to hear about Ryan. We will keep all of you in our prayers.

Lex and Donna Revetta and Family - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Dear Mike and Becky, There are no words to express how sadden we were when we heard about Ryan. Our thoughts and Prayers go out to you and to your family. Sincerely, Tom and Pat Kostolansky

Patricia Kostolansky - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I am so very sorry for such a lose. Ryan is a beautiful person and had a successful future ahead of himself! God must really have big plans for him! I know these are tough times right now, but just remember how fortunate it is to have had a relationship with someone so passionate, strong willed, and full of life and love!! I'm sure you will not have a problem reminiscing the impact this young man has had on your lives; because, everything I know of Ryan drives me to be a better person!

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**Donnie Kidd** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Mike, Becky, Amanda, and Taylor. I want to extend my deepest sympathy. From being a young boy seeing him in sports and to a grown man his loss makes the world a lesser place. RIP Ryan.

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**Ed Brletich** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

WT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. You have my condolences and sympathy.  
2 Corinthians 5:6-8 So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.  
William Tomasiak

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**William Tomasiak** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ You have our deepest sympathy and in our thoughts and prayers.

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**John & Tracy Christner** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *My Deepest Sympathies on the loss of your son, Ryan.*

Kimberly Ringstad Gray - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ *I am so sorry for your loss and you are in my prayers.*

Heather Waraksa - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *MIKE, BECKY, AND FAMILY:  
YOU ARE NOW IN A GROUP THAT NO ONE WANTS TO EVER  
BE A PART OF. PARENTS OF CHILDREN THAT GO ON TO  
HEAVEN WAY TOO SOON.  
SINCE, I AM A MEMBER OF THAT GROUP ALSO, I DO FEEL  
THAT WHEN YOU ARE READY, MAYBE, I CAN BE OF SOME  
HELP. YOUR LIFE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME, I REMEMBER  
HOW I FELT, I THOUGHT THAT I WAS TRULY GOING CRAZY  
AND THE PAIN WAS SO INTENSE.. THERE IS NOTHING  
ANYONE CAN TRULY SAY THAT WILL 'HELP YOU AT THIS TIME'  
I KNOW, I'VE BEEN THERE, AND THERE IS NO 'GETTING OVER  
IT', BUT I CAN TRULY SAY THAT OVER TIME, THE PAIN  
REMAINS, BUT IT DOES SOFTEN. I TRULY WANT TO HELP  
YOU WHEN YOUR READY TO TALK, LISTEN, HELP FIND YOU A  
GREAT SUPPORT GROUP, ANYTHING. IT HELPS ME WHEN I  
CAN HELP SOMEONE ELSE, AND MAKES ME FEEL THAT  
SOMETHING GOOD CAN COME FROM THE DEATH OF A SON.  
PLEASE CALL ANYTIME, [412 973-9071*

BILL BENDEL - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ *Greg and Family*

*You have my deepest sympathy for the loss of your brother-in law and loved one. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Karen Vranesevic** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Mike, Becky and family, Ryan was a remarkable, fun-loving young man who I truly enjoyed getting to know. I remember when he went with us to our cabin hunting, seeing him in college and in the gym at Cal U working with my daughter Katie. He had a unique personality and was truly gifted. With Deepest Sympathy, DeAnne, Don, Katie and Emily Pavelko*

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**DeAnne Pavelko** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ *To his family,*

*I wish you the deepest sympathy that I could ever offer. I was a senior and the captain of the CAL U track team when Ryan was a freshman. He was an incredible individual and he and I would discuss math and science every morning on the way to practice. I will greatly miss him and when I saw him in March I was blessed. His will, desire and perservernce were unmatched with anyone that I have ever encountered. I am just thankful that I was able to compete with him, grab a baton from him but most of all, know him. God bless you Ryan.*

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**Brian Nicholas** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I had the honor of being Ryans teammate at Cal U. He was always a great friend to have on the team with such high spirits. We used to have friendly competition in the weight room as I was a pole vaulter he sometimes would out lift me. It wasn't that he had more muscle but he had more inner strenght to get better and for that I learned a lesson from him. Its the fight within you that makes you stronger. For that I will always remember you and your great times we shared on the bus, on the track, and at many social gatherings that I am proud to call you my teammate.

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**Scott Harris** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Ryan, you were the best coach/ friend. You supported me threw many meets & practices. You have gotten my threw all of my injuries, you helped me prevent them. I'm gonna miss having someone running to each side of thr track to cheer me on to keep going. I don't understand how someone so good, would have to go through this. Next year of track I will win WPIALs for you. I'll miss you, see you soon. & sorry for your family. I am praying for you guys.

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**Sarah Melisko** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Mike, You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. You have my deepest sympathy.

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**Jim Smith** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ So very sad, thinking about Ryan's parents and sisters.

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**Renatta Signorini** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Mike,Becky,Amanda and Taylor, I wish to extend my deepest sympathy for your loss. Seeing him as a young boy, growing to a man the world now is a lesser place!

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**Ed Brletich** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Hello mike. I'm peg Robison, used to be peg Zubrick. So sorry for the loss of your precious son. I remember your mom Clara fondly. Reading the obituary for Ryan brought tears. What a great young man! My prayers are with you.

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**Peg Robison** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ To the Moravec family: I am so deeply sorry for the loss of Ryan. I had the honor of going to school with Ryan in middle school, high school and college. He was truly a great man. He had such a comical way of expressing himself like no one else I've met can match. But most of all I admired his genuine kindness. He was and is unlike most people and that is what I will miss most about him. I will always remember him. I lit a candle at my church in Ryan's memory, and I am continually praying for you all each day. I hope you can take comfort and find strength in knowing that Ryan touched a lot of lives and is in a better place now. I know he is running with the angels, and someday we will all be running with him too. May God Bless you.

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**Karen Johnson** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ I would like to say that the moravec family is in my prayers. Ryan was a kind hearted person that will greatly be missed. He volunteered his time to help coach my track team and he was a huge supporter of me. He helped me warm up before I ran, he always gave me motivational speeches, he called out my times to me as I ran, and he was always on the side of the track cheering for me. I can honestly say Ryan was one of my biggest supporters and he did believe in me. He never gave up on me even when I got hurt, he still believed I could give it my all. Ryan was such a determined and kind person and that is what i will always remember about him. I will continue to run and give it my all for Ryan. He will greatly be missed.

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**Jenna DiPerna** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Ryan was a substitute teacher for pyshics in PA my junior year of high school. He was an amazing person and everyone at my school enjoyed him and his company. He was so great and kind to everyone around him. He always worried about us as students and was always interested in what we had to say. He always made us laugh and honestly half of us would have never of passed if it was not for him. I am so saddened to hear of the life taken of this genuine and heartfelt man. My prayers go out to the family of Ryan and I just hope they know how great of a person they have raised. He is in a great place and we all know he gets to run with the man upstairs and is being taken care of with no pain.  
R.I.P always and forever-

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**Danae** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ I watched Ryan run at Cal U. Also spent a couple of nights in his cabin along the North Carolina Tenn. border going back and forth between PA and Houston for daughter Tricia. He stopped in often at the girls place in Cal and I had many enjoyable conversations. I'm deeply saddened by your loss. So sorry and may God heal. Roger Learn, Tricia's Dad

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**Roger Learn** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Ryan was my substitute physics teacher for two months at Ringgold High School, when our teacher was out. He was a really great guy, and an amazing teacher. He will be greatly missed! Ringgold will also be holding a Candle Light Memorial for Ryan, Thursday May 31st, at Ringgold High School. All is welcome to attend! You will be greatly missed, Mr. M.

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**Katie Fellabaum** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Ryan as a track teammate in high school and was crushed to hear of his passing. I always remember him as a happy and funny kid who really loved life, running, and his friends. My heart and prayers are with his family and loved ones. Ryan will always be with you.

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**Jill Davies Kisucky** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Your Cal U family extends its sympathy to the family & friends of Ryan. the garden of memories , blooms love forever,plant those memories deep & love will always be there Tim Susick Assoc. VP for Student Affairs

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**Timothy Susick** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ My heart go out to his family. I alway loved when I ran against him in track. He was an awesome kid and runner. I alway enjoy watching him ran. I will never forget all those time and also time he came to my mom house to help his dad out. RIP Ryan. always in everyone hearts

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**Elizabeth Romito** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Ryan was a wonderful person who could always make me laugh. I remember in middle school he used to come to my house in the summers to swim and for some reason we would always love to eat strawberries and whipped cream. It was OUR snack as we would call it. Something that I still think about to this day that makes me smile. I have so many other great memories of Ryan. He was a great friend and will be greatly missed! My deepest sympathies go out to his family.

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**Laura Krivda** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Mr. & Mrs. Moravec, family, and friends, you have my sincerest condolences. May you find comfort in the days to come knowing that Ryan lived every day to the fullest. His memories will forever fill our hearts.  
May you rest peaceful, Ryan.

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**Jennifer** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Mike, Becky, Amanda & Greg and Taylor...you are and will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. Our hearts are breaking for you. We have such great memories of Ryan from when he was a tiny soccer player and baseball player and through the years and growing into a wonderful young man. God has taken him and we don't understand why...but we have faith that Ryan is at peace with the angels. May you find peace in knowing that the Lord is your strength at this most difficult time.

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**Phil and Maria Giordano** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

AZ

“ Ryan, you are my brother, my greatest of friends. I still cant believe this has happened. So many memories. I love you and your family. Until we meet again bro. Love Adam

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**Adam Zysk** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Deepest sympathies to you all. Ryan will be deeply missed. Such a shock. It is hard to express into words the sorrow. Prayers to the entire family. Lee, Mike, Erin, Patrick and Rachel Biddle

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**Lee Biddle** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ My sons, JC and Josh played hockey with Ryan @ Hotshots. Josh remembers him as a great hockey player and all-around great guy! JC is now in Thailand on his honeymoon and, I know, will be greatly saddened by the news when we tell him. Please accept our sincere sympathy from the Gallo family on your tragic loss. BELIEVE that some day you will be reunited!!!  
Cathy Gallo, JC and Josh's mom

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**JC and Josh Gallo** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *Many condolences and prayers.*

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**Rachel Konsugar Long** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *I remember elementary school with you. Growing up and seeing each other at family functions. I'm so saddened by this tragic event. May you rest in peace with the angels Ryan. You will be missed. I love you.*

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**Amanda Wilhelm** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *I'll never forget Ryan's sense of humor, tireless hockey endurance, and the smile he always seemed to carry. As is often the case in life, he was taken too soon and so many will miss him. I send my condolences and prayers to the Moravec family now and in these difficult times. No man is great, but as far as I am concerned, Ryan was as good as they get. I wish I knew him more closely, but a little bit was a lot because of his character. May the Holy Spirit minister to you and bring the utmost comfort in your unexpected loss.*

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**Tim Bilsky** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *RIP Ryan a great person that was sadly taken from this world. You will be sadly missed and certainly never forgotten. God bless Mike Becky Amanda and Taylor and may god give you the stength to help each other stay strong. ---RIP Ryan---*

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**Derek and Colleen Brletich** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Mike, Becky, Amanda and Taylor, I can't even begin to tell you how sorry I am. What a tragedy. When Chuck called me crying, we cried together and my heart is breaking for each one of you. I don't even know what to say. You have my condolences and all my love and know I am praying for each and everyone of you. I know we aren't supposed to question God, and I am sorry but i don't understand why he had to take him. He had so much going for him. He was a wonderful young man and you both did a fantastic job raising him. Love Always, Sherry Moravec, Donnie, Corey and Carter

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**Sherry Moravec** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

ZF

“ Spiderman, we loved you as if you were part of our family. You will especially be missed by Adam and will be his best friend forever. It was a joy to have you walk thru our front door and walk straight to the Oreo's, and grab a big glass of milk :) You will be missed more than words can say and will be in our hearts forever. Love you bunches

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**Zysk Family** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM