



## Cameron McMahon Ashley

June 14, 1988 - April 26, 2019

Cameron McMahon Ashley

6/14/1988 – 4/26/2019

On a rainy, spring afternoon, Heaven's Angel Soccer Team gained a star player. Cameron died at CAMC from complications following surgery and the long-term effects of septic shock. Despite his strength and stubbornness, God needed him in heaven's game. Cameron would prefer we tell you his death was caused by a rare disease contracted either through the bite of a yet-to-be discovered tropical ant with fangs, or through "intimate" relations with a Brazilian supermodel, and let you decide. Cameron had a natural flair for drama and telling an unbelievable story that everyone bought.

Devastated by his loss is his biggest cheering section: his parents, David and Sandra Ashley of St. Albans, sister Caitlin Ashley-Lizarraga and husband Hector of Charleston, nephew Cillian Lizarraga, and a niece due to arrive in early June, whom he adamantly did not want born on his birthday. He also leaves behind his Uncle Hal McMahon and Aunt Linda, of Huntington, cousins John Foster McMahon of Raleigh, NC, and Christopher McMahon of Huntington, Aunt Diane Ashley (Fla), and cousins, Charles Ashley (KY), Matthew Ashley (Fla), and his best girl Aurya. Extended family, co-workers, and a diverse cadre of friends will also forever miss his big heart and ever present wit. He was a loving son, supportive brother and brother-in-law, proud

uncle and loyal friend. Cameron was the first one to visit an ailing friend, offer a helping hand, lend a listening ear, and bolster a battered spirit.

Preceded in death by his grandparents, John and Gaye McMahon, and Carlos and Iris Ashley, and Uncle Charles Ashley whom we believe made the skies roar with their cheers as he entered the heavenly game, red bag in hand.

Cameron graduated with honors from St. Albans High School and Cum Laude from Marshall University. He began a Master's program before beginning work as a Day Report Officer. He later joined Peoplework Solutions as a Behavioral Assessment Specialist where he evaluated and encouraged hundreds of people. His passion was helping people. He was pursuing plans to continue his post grad education in the mental health field.

Always the competitor, Cameron excelled in sports and could be found on fields and courts throughout the Kanawha Valley, although his first love was always soccer. A kid at heart, Cameron found joy and purpose working with kids and teenagers, and coached several local high school soccer teams and many one-on-one.

Cameron was a proud mason, a brother of Washington Masonic Lodge #58 A.F. & A.M. in St. Albans, Scottish Rite Bodies, and Beni Kedem Temple. He was strong in faith and was a lifelong member of Lakeview United Methodist Church.

He was loved by many for his generous and magnetic personality, quick wit, and mischievous streak but also his sentimental soul. Always a performer, he kept his family and friends entertained with mildly inappropriate jokes, grand stories, and a genuinely impressive ability to concoct a believable tale. He could hook you into buying every incredulous word, until he cracked that famous smile, while everyone doubled over in laughter and disbelief. Oak

Island, NC. Hall & Oates, fireworks, and all things Irish added to his love of life.

For those of us allowed to share life and love with Cameron, a shining light has been switched off but the effect of its warm glow will endure.

Please honor Cameron by living everyday with laughter, sharing, and caring for others. The family is especially thankful for his friend Greg Skragg who did that for Cameron as he fought to regain his strength and spirit in the years following the septic shock.

Details of a later Celebration of Life will be forthcoming. You may visit Cameron's tribute page at [Bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com](http://Bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com) to share memories and condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Ashley family.

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ I WANT TO WISH Camerons’s Family Zlove and Prayers! Ian the Mother of a friend of Cameron’s and cannot begin to know your Pain and Loss!! Please know Your Family will be in our thoughts and prayers!!!

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**Cindy Beane** - May 05, 2019 at 10:10 PM

JC

“ So sorry for your loss! Prayers for the Ashley family! Last time I seen him he was with Mr. Ashley goofing off! He will be trusty missed.

*Janet (Eskridge) Canfield*

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**Janet Canfield** - May 05, 2019 at 09:49 PM

MJ

“ Cameron is forever a crazy lovable nine-year-old in my memories. From wild antics with my brother to the havoc he wreaked on many elaborate Barbie dramas, I’ll never forget that mischevious smile that shines from my childhood memories.

*I hope you are all surrounded by the love of family and friends. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*All our love,  
Melanie (Shelton) Johnson and Family.*

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**Melanie Johnson** - May 05, 2019 at 09:08 PM

AT


“ I am so sad to hear of Cameron’s passing. I enjoyed working with him. I appreciated his sense of humor and we often shared sarcastic remarks with each other. He indeed was quite the story teller. My thoughts and prayers are with Sandra, David and the whole family.

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**Amy Thomas** - May 05, 2019 at 03:33 PM

PM

“ I have thought about Cameron so much, and wondered about him. This is a shock. I always enjoyed talking to him in my barber shop. He was really a special person. I’m so sorry for your loss, and keeping you in my prayers. Pam Miller

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**Pam Miller** - May 05, 2019 at 02:58 PM

 Peggy Allison

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Cameron was always a joy to be around especially at the soccer matches. So glad we were able to have him in our lives even though God needed him. Our comfort is knowing he was welcomed home and no longer in pain. Paul and Peggy Allison

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**Peggy Allison** - May 05, 2019 at 02:18 PM

DF

“ Love and prayers to the Ashley family. Thankyou for sharing Cameron with us, we loved him like our own.

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**darla fletcher** - May 05, 2019 at 01:24 PM

KR

“ *Dave and Sandy,  
Praying for comfort and strength for your family.  
Kim Robertson*

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**kim Robertson** - May 05, 2019 at 01:01 PM

VI

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family and friends .  
I so enjoyed his witt when i would clean his room at thomas in 5th  
floor  
God bless  
Vickie  
Housekeeping/thomas hospital*

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**Vickie** - May 05, 2019 at 08:51 AM

SA

*Vickie, He so loved talking to you. It was a daily highlight. As his mom I  
thank you so much for treating him as a person and not a patient!*

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**sandra ashley** - May 06, 2019 at 11:02 AM

MJ

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Ashley,  
I'm so sorry to for your tremendous loss. Cameron was a friendly,  
outgoing guy and I know his presence will be missed be all who  
knew him. Please know my thoughts and prayers and with you and  
your family at this sad time. God bless you.  
Sincerely,  
Michelle McKenzie-Johnson*

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**michelle johnson** - May 04, 2019 at 07:59 AM

SH

*Dave, Sandra and Caitlin ..... There just are no words!!! We are so very, very sorry for the loss of your son and brother!!! I know you all were a close family and he will be so very missed by you and all who knew him!!! Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this terribly sad time!!! May God wrap his arms around you all and give you strength and peace to get through this!!!*  
*Sincerely, Sheri, Brent and Adam Hopkins*

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**Sheri Hopkins** - May 05, 2019 at 05:36 PM

MA

*Dear Dave, Sandy, and Caitlin,  
Cameron was a very special person and we will always cherish the memories we shared with him! He had such a vibrant and cheerful personality that will forever leave an imprint with all who knew him. May God comfort you during this difficult time.*  
*Mike and Mary Lou Albert*

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**Mike Albert** - May 05, 2019 at 06:17 PM

TS

*Adam and Cameron were good friends at Lakewood Elementary is what my previous post should read.*

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**Tina Stampet** - May 07, 2019 at 07:19 PM

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*My son, Adam Stamper attended Lakewood Elementary and were good friends there. I remember what a loving and kind child he was all the time and so full of life. I am so very, very sorry to hear of his passing!!! My thoughts and prayers are with you all!!!*  
*Tina Stamper.*

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**Tina Stampet** - May 07, 2019 at 07:19 PM