



## Austin James Barnett

June 26, 2004 - August 29, 2016

Austin James Barnett, 12 of Limestone passed away August 29, 2016 at his home, surrounded by his loving family. He was born June 26, 2004 in Kankakee to Robin and Dena (Osman) Barnett.

Austin enjoyed dirt bike riding, fishing and playing baseball. He was a 1st degree black belt in karate. Austin always dreamed of being a fireman and was an honorary Fireman for the Limestone Fire Department. He loved everything in life that was scary.

Austin is survived by his parents; Robin and Dena Barnett of Limestone, a sister; Nicole Barnett of Kankakee, and special brother; Chris Norton of Kankakee, his Maternal Grandfather; Harold Osman, of Bradley, Paternal Grandmother; Anita Barnett of Kankakee and Special Step Grandmother; Ann Eby of Danforth. Also surviving are 4 uncles and 4 aunts; Dave (Sherry) Parks of Bonfield, Jeff (Jody) Barnett of Manteno, Dawayne Barnett of Kankakee, Tanya Geiger of Kankakee and Mike (Theresa) Osman of Plymouth, IN. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother; Marda Osman, and paternal grandfather; James Barnett.

The visitation will be Friday, September 2, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel. There will be an additional time of visitation Saturday from 10 am to 11 am at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. Funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 3, 2016 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with Rev. Karl Koeppen officiating. Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House in Oak Lawn, IL in memory of

Austin. The family requests if you have an Austin strong shirt to please wear it on Friday.

Schreffler Funeral Home and its staff are honored to serve the Barnett family.

Please sign his online guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 2. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel  
1900 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-2421  
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

SEP 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

## Funeral Service

SEP 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Tribute Wall



“ *Austin James Barnett*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *May the Lord above reach down and comfort all of you in your deepest of sorrows, Grace to you all !!*

**Angel and Frank Martin** - September 03, 2016 at 01:26 PM



“ *It is with our deepest sympathy and condolences for the Barnett family. We send love for Austin and the family. We was the light of the world. It will shine forever. Love the Snyders*



**Steven Snyder** - September 02, 2016 at 01:06 PM



“ *With my deepest condolences to your entire family. Austin was a true role model. As an honorary member of the Limestone fire District family, Austin demonstrated more courage and strength then I could ever imagine for someone at that age. We looked forward to the times we saw Austin and his smile. Rest peacefully little brother, your second family, the firefighters of Limestone, will always have you with us. May God Bless You.*

**Rick Bocek** - September 02, 2016 at 11:28 AM

SP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you...When I frst met Austin he was quite little.. he came with his parents and was standing in my door way very excited..he wanted to run toward my kitchen and he did: he was laughing and pointing at my blue wall. I was told he loved the color blue. May God watch over all of you...May his angels give you comfort..May God hold you in his loving arms. Praying for Your Family...Susan L. Potter



susan I. Potter - September 01, 2016 at 05:28 PM



“ 98 files added to the album LifeTributes



Schreffler Funeral Home - September 01, 2016 at 11:13 AM

SS

“ Austin had a way of lightning up a room with his enthusiasm and zest for life. I will never forget CharacterDay at Herscher Intermediate where some of us dressed up as Cat in the Hat for Austin. A year later at Limestone, Austin ran up to me in excitement and said "You're the Cat in the Hat lady!" He never stopped smiling and his excitement was contagious. Austin was wise beyond his years. He touched my life and I am forever grateful.  
Praying for the family, Stephanie Snowden



Stephanie Snowden - September 01, 2016 at 09:11 AM

Angi Ahrens

“ It was an honor to know you. Thank you for making us learn the true meaning of courage!



Angi Ahrens - August 31, 2016 at 11:48 PM



“ Hansel Hansel lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett



Hansel Hansel - August 31, 2016 at 06:02 PM



“ *Nicole Breanne lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett*



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**Nicole Breanne** - August 31, 2016 at 03:06 PM

GK

“ *The LORD bless you and keep you;  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace.”  
Numbers 6:24-26*



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**Gary Krumwiede** - August 30, 2016 at 07:24 PM

RS

“ *Ron Schuelke lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett*



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**Ron Schuelke** - August 30, 2016 at 06:59 PM

JH

“ *Austin your courage & fight will ....always stay with ME.....forever!!  
May the Peace & comfort which you believed IN,,, THRU THE  
BIBLE ....IS now your Crown of Life!!! see you again my friend!!*

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**john O heil** - August 30, 2016 at 06:17 PM

JB

“ Jessica Baker-Grant lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett



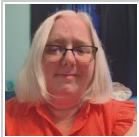
Jessica Baker-Grant - August 30, 2016 at 04:18 PM

EL

“ I remember visiting him several years ago to draw blood. He was so brave, and I told him I would bring him a hungry hippo game at my next visit. The smile on his face was priceless. Rest in peace Austin. You are always Austin Strong



Emily L - August 30, 2016 at 04:15 PM



“ We will never forget Austin. You were such a fighter and inspiration to us all! We will miss your amazing strength and inspiration. The Tompkins family !



Michelle Tompkins - August 30, 2016 at 04:02 PM

NJ

“ It's truly an honor to be his cousin he brought new light to the meaning of life I will never forget his smile my favorite memory was him Easter egg hunting out at aunt Sherry's he was so attached to his mom Dena I think that was the only time he got off her lap that day..and him going "so radical buddy " with the hand movement was the cutie thing ever rest in Paradise sending all our love hugs and prayers.



Nicole Jones - August 30, 2016 at 02:26 PM

CB

“ You were a true inspiration, Austin! I'll remember you always, especially when we do our Sand Art projects every year. I still have the three you gave me sitting right by my desk. Til we meet again brave man! God bless you and your amazing family--Mr. Bisailon



Craig Bisailon - August 30, 2016 at 11:29 AM

SP

“ Sherry Parks lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett



Sherry Parks - August 30, 2016 at 09:50 AM

SP

You are now free to fly with the angels. Uncle Dave and Aunt Sherry love you always Sir Austin.

Sherry Parks - August 30, 2016 at 09:52 AM

AR

“ *Amanda Riley lit a candle in memory of Austin James Barnett*



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**Amanda Riley** - August 30, 2016 at 08:48 AM