



Dr. Sean O'Rourke

August 20, 1987 - August 18, 2014

Dr. Sean Edward O'Rourke, 26, of New York, NY, formerly of Newnan, GA., passed away Monday, August 18, 2014. He was born August 20, 1987 in Lawrenceville, Georgia, to Timothy Dane O'Rourke and Rhonda Mullinax O'Rourke. His grandparents, Edward and Dorothy O'Rourke, of Marietta, GA, preceded him in death.

Sean grew up in Newnan, Georgia where he and his family enjoyed an incredibly, abundant life together. He loved playing soccer, golf, video games, had a huge entourage of friends, and a sister who adored him beyond words. He loved his God and his Youth Group at Cornerstone United Methodist Church. Through his church he enjoyed several missions and enriching experiences. During two summers, he and his mom traveled with others on a mission to Honduras where he performed medical assistance with a grateful and loving heart. He was a 2005 graduate of East Coweta High School and a proud Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Georgia, in 2009. He entered New York University School of Medicine in 2009. During his medical school years, he enjoyed research and rotations abroad in Italy and Korea. He planned to be a world traveler after having explored several countries in Europe and Asia. He was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha, the Honor Medical Society. He received his Medical Doctorate on May 21, 2014. Most recently, he was working the first of three years in his internal medicine residency at New York-Presbyterian, The University Hospital of Columbia and Cornell. Sean was a promising young doctor whose passion for medicine and

helping others was unquestionable. Sean will be remembered for his enthusiasm, idealism, his deep concern for others, and his warm and humble smile.

The funeral is Sunday, August 24, 2014 at 3:00 o'clock at Cornerstone United Methodist Church with the Reverend Rick Price officiating. The visitation is Saturday evening between 6:00-8:00 at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson ST, Newnan. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Cornerstone United Methodist Church, 2956 Sharpsburg McCollum Road, Newnan, GA 30265.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

Survivors include parents, Timothy and Rhonda O'Rourke of Newnan; sister, Kaitlyn O'Rourke of Marietta, GA; grandparents, Guy and Irene Mullinax of Clermont, GA; Ruth Mullinax of Clayton, GA; aunts and uncles, Barry and Sandra Wood of Tiger, GA, Randy and Barbara Mullinax of Gainesville, GA, Norman and Kathy Dishman of Kennesaw, GA; He was also survived by many cousins, with whom he was extremely close.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com

Service

AUG **24**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Cornerstone United Methodist Church
2956 Sharpsburg McCollum Road
Newnan, GA 30265
(770) 304-9397
<http://www.cornerstoneumc.com>

Tribute Wall

RG

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Sean's family and friends. Although I didn't personally know Sean, I can tell that he was a remarkable physician, christian, student, son, friend, and brother among a great many other incredible things. I have shared Sean's obituary with my first year medical class at MCG through our facebook group that we use to discuss pertinent information daily. God bless and best wishes, Rob Gassert

Rob Gassert - September 20, 2014 at 03:15 PM

BD

“ Rhonda, I went to school with Randy and to church with all of you in Clayton. Please know how sorry I am for your loss. Having suffered the same, I can only imagine how you feel. My heart goes out to you and your family at this time. May God provide you with peace.

Brenda Dalin - September 03, 2014 at 02:09 PM

SW

“ Rhonda, Sandra and I went through public school together. Ruth is still a neighbor. You and Randy are younger than I, but I remember you. I send this condolence to all you Mullinaxes because I want you to know that your family is still held in the Light by your Clayton friends: the Light of God's love, which brings healing and understanding, out of which joy can return. Steve

Steve Woodall - September 01, 2014 at 02:28 PM

JR

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I know words do little at times like this, but I just wanted to share a few verses, from the Bible, that have always given me hope when coping with the loss of a loved one. May these verses give you a measure of comfort and strengthen your faith in God's purpose for all mankind (those alive and those currently asleep on death). Job 14:14,15; Isaiah 25:8,9; Revelations 21:3-5. You are in a thoughts and prayers.

Jordan Romero - August 31, 2014 at 07:24 PM

GC

“ Rhonda,my thoughts and prayers are with you my friend. May God wrap his arms around you and hold you tight to give you the peace and comfort you need.

Gail Coleman - August 27, 2014 at 10:19 PM

JB

“ I work at the hospital where Sean was an intern. We met but briefly. I was so amazed at his caring, the way he knew every patient and followed up on all the details, not just medical but social and emotional. He knew all of his patients as people not just patients. Such a sense of humor and grace, as a first year intern amidst the pressure of working in a city hospital. Spoke fondly of his Southern Baptist Mom. What an amazing boy. My heart breaks that I will not see him again this side of Heaven. He always lit up my day. However, I do know that he has his place in Heaven. If only in those four weeks alone, the small glimpse I got of him...he more than earned it. May G-d console his family and may you know no more sorrow.

jacquelyn dayton berman - August 27, 2014 at 11:42 AM

CS

“ My prayers go out to you and your family, Rhonda and Tim. My son, Nick Sears knew Sean in grade and middle school. Jeff knew Kaitlyn. Tim, I worked as a temporary for Accounting in Golf Car Sales and remember you well! I can not imagine losing a child. Please know that we are praying for peace for your family and know that GOD'S GRACE IS WITH YOU.

Carolyn Sears - August 26, 2014 at 08:14 PM

LP

“ Tim and Rhonda, my mind cannot comprehend what you and your family are experiencing at this time. Please know that you have been in my thoughts and prayers and will continue to be. I pray that God will put his arms around the three of you as you walk thru the next few months of firsts without him. I know how tough they can be,

Lisa Price - August 26, 2014 at 10:05 AM

KR

“ Dear Rhonda, Tim and Katie, My heart breaks to hear of your lose of Sean. You are in my prayers as you walk through this sad valley of life. May you feel the presence and comfort of our Lord in the days and weeks to follow. Kate Rogers

Kate Rogers - August 25, 2014 at 09:29 AM

HH

“ Dear O'Rourke Family, In behalf of my co-workers esp. co-nurses & social workers at NYPH Allen Hospital, I'm sending you all our deepest sympathy and condolences. Sean worked with us in his first month of residency and even for a brief period, he stood out among the doctors we have encountered because of his decisiveness, brilliance, kindness and humility. Our patients always had great praises for him because he really showed how caring he was. We wish we had him for a very long time. We are mourning this whole situation...I would like to send you my warmest embrace and sincerest prayers that the Lord will cover you all with His peace and solace..May His power liberate you from confusion even though there may be no answers. In Heaven we will have all the answers. Believe in the hope and promise of Heaven. We will all miss Sean..Have faith that God has taken away all his pains, fears or self-doubts.. I will continue to pray for you all with my Christian love. Godspeed.---Haydee M.H.

Haydee Hondanero - August 25, 2014 at 02:39 AM

BC

“ Kaitlyn, We were so sorry to hear about your brother. Our conversation with him at the last Phi Mu parent's weekend was a good one. He was a very impressive young man, and we could see the wonderful bond you two shared. It is impossible to find the right words at such a difficult time, but please know that you are in our thoughts, and prayers. We hope that knowing so many are thinking about, and praying for your family, will bring some comfort to you.

Beth Castagna - August 24, 2014 at 03:09 PM

HC

“ Dear Rhonda, Tim and Katie, Our hearts are so sad for you. We have such fond memories of your family helping us when Susan and Danny got married. You were there with us again when Danny died. You are such a loving family, and we pray that God will keep His arms wrapped tight around you giving you the comfort and peace that only He can give at this time. Many Blessings and hugs from the Collins'.

Harry and Nancy Collins - August 23, 2014 at 05:54 PM

JH

“ Dear Rhonda Tim and family I have no words to help heal your heart,I remember wonderful conversations with you Rhonda about your beloved son and his journey to get into medical school,how proud you're were.In such a short life he accomplished so much. May God hold you and give you understanding You are and will be in my prayers. Jacquie Hurlbut

Jacquie Hurlbut - August 23, 2014 at 03:02 PM

BT

“ I remember Sean from my years working at White Oak Elem. and Arnall Middle School. Of all the thousands of students that I have encountered, I can still see Sean's little elementary face in my mind. He projected kindness and friendliness to everyone. I can't imagine what you are going through, and words are of little comfort at this time. The wound is too raw. Sean doesn't need my prayers because he is in Heaven, but I will pray for your family to have the strength to get through the next few hours, days, months, years... My heart breaks for you. May God bless you. Becky Tucker

Becky Tucker - August 23, 2014 at 02:46 PM

FJ

“ Dear Tim and Rhonda, I am sorry about the loss of your beloved Sean. I send my deepest condolences to both of you, also Kaitlyn and to your families. My fondest memories of Sean were with him and Brian on the soccer field where Sean played fearlessly and academically at UGA where he inspired Brian to achieve the honor of also becoming a doctor in the future. Please let me know if there's something I can do to somehow lessen the pain you feel in your hearts. My love and sympathy to you . Frank Jock

Frank Jock - August 23, 2014 at 02:32 PM

JC

“ Tim n family I remember you as a small boy, seems strange to see you now as a father of a doctor. I will greave over you loss and keep you all in our prayers. So sad , glad Jesus is his friend!

Judith Muhlbaier Carr - August 22, 2014 at 08:41 PM

VW

“ Tim and Rhonda: My deepest sympathies to you and the rest of Sean's family. Having lost a child to suicide in 2006, I know you are so devastated and filled with questions that we may never know the answer to. Please know that I am here for you in any way I can. May God comfort you as you grieve and bring you His peace.

Victoria Webster - August 22, 2014 at 05:17 PM

CG

“ Rhonda, my heart is breaking for you and your family. Lifting you all in prayers, Cheryl Glisson

Cheryl Coggin Glisson - August 22, 2014 at 04:11 PM

JW

“ *Lifting up prayers during this difficult time.*

Jane Webb - August 22, 2014 at 01:51 PM

MH

“ *Mike and I want you to know how deeply sorry we are for your loss .My heart just breaks for you Rhonda as a mother knowing how close you guys were and how much you adored your son knowing how much you loved him and you will miss him. Sean was a great person.We have such precious memories of him as he was growing up in the neighborhood. God has gained a wonderful servant ! We will praise his name through all this . Sometimes, when we cannot understand, all we can do is trust that God does. Times like this can feel so overwhelming...that's why this comes with a prayer that God will be with you to comfort you and surround you with his love . God has said , "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you " Hebrews 13:5 Deepest Sympathy , Mike & Tracie Holmes*

Mike & Tracie Holmes - August 22, 2014 at 10:41 AM

KM

“ *It was so sad to read of Sean's passing. My memories of Sean are from having him in my class at White Oak. He was a memorable student for all the right reasons. His accomplishments show that our world has lost someone special. My prayers are with your family.*

Kathy Madden - August 22, 2014 at 10:02 AM

KA

“ *Tim, Rhonda & Katie- So sorry to hear of your loss, We have lost a special person in our huge soccer family, always enjoyed watching Sean on the field. He accomplished so many great achievements in his life, he surely will be missed.*

Keith & Fran Anderson - August 22, 2014 at 09:42 AM

JB

“ Tim, Rhonda and Katie, My thoughts and prayers are with you and will be with you for a very long time. May God hold you in his loving arms during this very sad time. I know how proud you were and are of Sean. Heaven has gained a wonderful man, doctor and servant.

Julie Burkhard - August 21, 2014 at 10:55 PM

LS

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Sean's family. Sean and I were neighbors on Trail Creek my senior year at UGA, his junior year. My roommates and I became good friends with Sean and his roommates, and the times we spent together are memories that I cherish to this day. I can say that Sean truly stood out among his peers -- he was respected by everyone around him for his intelligence, caring nature, and good humor. The world has lost someone very special. Rest in peace, Sean. You leave many friends who are enriched for having known you.

Lisa Scatamacchia - August 21, 2014 at 02:28 PM