

Hiawatha, KS



Ian Miller, 16, of Hiawatha, Kansas passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, November 17, 2019.

The son of Craig Brislin Miller and Teresa Marie Yearn, he was born May 5, 2003 in Seneca, Kansas. He lived in Hiawatha most of his life, attending Hiawatha Schools, except February 2016 to February 2018 when he lived in Queen City, Missouri, attending Schuyler County High School.

Ian is survived by his father, Craig Brislin Miller, mother Teresa Marie Yearn, brother Truman Brislin Miller, and sister Sadie Maya Ann Miller. He is also survived by maternal grandparents Eugene Mendenhall and wife Loree, paternal grandparents Tracy Miller and wife Jeannie and Nora Sommerhauser and partner Carolyn Boone, uncle Brad Mendenhall, wife Erin and son Brevin, aunt Kelly Kelley and daughter Kealey Mathieson, as well as large extended maternal and paternal families and a great multitude of friends.

Ian was preceded in death by his stepfather, Dwayne “Tater” Yearn and uncle Chris Kelley.

Ian, a member of the Hiawatha High School class of 2021, was involved in Forensics as well as Track and Field at both Hiawatha and Schuyler County. He also participated in youth group at First Baptist Church, and was a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 313. He planned to enlist in the United States Marine Corps on his next birthday.

Intelligent, witty, and charismatic, Ian was loved by many. He was truly outrageous with a zest for life. While constantly mischievous, he fostered his desire to be there for others. Ian did things for people without a word—thoughtful, kind gestures that showed how much he really cared. Ian prided himself on being a loyal friend, and he was the hardest worker toward anything he would commit himself to. He was only 16, but he had a man-sized heart and a man-sized punch to back it up. Ian embodied everything it takes to become a Marine.

Visitation will start on Thursday, November 21 at 10am at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hiawatha. The family will be gathered from 5-8pm.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, November 22 at 12pm at the First Baptist Church in Hiawatha. Tony French will officiate. Cremation will follow.

Contributions to the Ian Miller Memorial Fund may be left in care of the funeral home at 124 South 7th Street in Hiawatha.

A special message or note of remembrance may be sent to the family at [www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com](http://www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com)