

## Matthew D. Diehl

September 24, 1981 - October 18, 2014

Matthew D. Diehl, age 33, husband of Katie C. (McCourt) Diehl, of Royersford, passed away on Saturday, October 18, 2014 at home. Born in Denver, CO, he was a son of Carol A. (Fritz) Diehl.

Matt grew up playing all kinds of sports. He excelled at basketball, and would play in leagues all over the area, as well as for Spring-Ford High School, and his college, Mansfield University. He was a great father who loved his two sons.

In addition to his wife and mother, Matt is survived by two sons, Jeremy Davis and Derek Diehl.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his memorial service at the Cattermole-Klotzbach Funeral Home, 600 Washington Street, Royersford on Friday, October 24, 2014 at 3:00 PM. Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family. Friends will be received at the funeral home from 1:00-3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Community Backstop by visiting [www.CommunityBackstop.com](http://www.CommunityBackstop.com). Condolences may be offered online by visiting [www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com](http://www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT **24**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Cattermole - Klotzbach Funeral Home  
600 Washington Street  
Royersford, PA 19468  
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### Service

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

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# Tribute Wall

RC

“ *Rebecca Cohen Clayter lit a candle in memory of Matthew D. Diehl*



Rebecca Cohen Clayter - October 29, 2014 at 09:47 PM

RC

*There are no words...praying for you, Carol, as my heart goes out to you. Praying for Matt's wife and children, may God grant you peace and comfort.*

Rebecca Cohen Clayter - October 29, 2014 at 09:50 PM

GB

“ *I love you little brother rest peacefully. The boys miss their uncle Matt as much as I miss my little brother..*



Gina Boughter - October 25, 2014 at 03:03 PM

BP

“ *Dear Carol, Katie and family,  
It saddens us to hear about the loss of Matt. He was a good hearted young man who had left a legacy of helping others with kind words and deeds. Matt was a good friend to our son Jonathan, by being understanding, and encouraging to him. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers that you find some peace in the memories of Matt. Parent's of Jonathan, Craig & Barbara Pike*

Barbara Pike - October 25, 2014 at 12:40 PM

LH

“ *Matthew had a Father, Grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who even though they are not named, also loved him dearly. He was a wonderful kid who was taken from us years ago. We missed him than and morn him now, knowing we will never have the reconciliation that we so wanted. We love you Matt, always have, always will....and now you can see it from heaven. Prayers to your mother, wife and children. ...they did not have to be alone.*

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**Linda, your aunt, Henry** - October 24, 2014 at 09:09 PM

EB

“ *To matts family  
What sad news to hear of the passing of Matt. My son , Eric Burnett looked up to Matt as a local young man playing basketball in the royersford area. A tragic loss at such a young age, thoughts and prayers to you all.*

*Eric c. Burnett*

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**eric burnett** - October 24, 2014 at 01:17 PM

EG

“ *Dear Carol, I know there are are no words that I can write or say that will take away this terrible heartbreak you are going through, so I will say a special prayer for you and petition God to send you the grace you will need to move forward. I also lost my son at the tender age of 33 on Oct. 15th, three years ago. I believe that we have a delicate thread of connection and God has asked me to reach out to you. I think we may have found strength from each other on Thursday's at 7pm. Matt and You will continue to be in my prayers and thoughts. Charles's Mom- Eileen..*

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**Eileen Grugan** - October 24, 2014 at 10:55 AM

GC

“ My deepest sympathy to my daughter, Carol, Katie and sons in the loss of Matthew. I can only imagine the hurt you feel. Matthew was my grandson, and although the family did not see him as we would have like, we loved him. The last time I saw Matt was at a basketball game --- Spring Ford had just won the championship and I will forever remember his smiling face. May he rest in peace knowing he was loved by his extended family also.

*Grammy Cope*

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**Grandmother, Nancy Cope** - October 24, 2014 at 10:07 AM

SA

“ Carol...We are so sorry to hear about Matthew...My parents enjoyed watching him play basketball for Mansfield and my father always said what a great ball player he is.....There just aren't words to express the sorrow we feel.

*Love you.....Sandy, Andy, Aunt Delores & Uncle Buddy*

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**Sandy** - October 24, 2014 at 08:30 AM

MB

“ Mike & Lindsay Brock lit a candle in memory of Matthew D. Diehl



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**Mike & Lindsay Brock** - October 24, 2014 at 12:06 AM

MB

“ Mike B. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Matthew D. Diehl.



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**Mike B.** - October 23, 2014 at 11:59 PM

KT

“ Carol,  
Words can not express our deepest sympathy for you and your family. Please know you are in our thought and prayers. May God give you strength to help heal your broken heart and carry you through your time of grief.

Sincerely,  
Carl and Kim Talley

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**kim talley** - October 23, 2014 at 03:15 PM

 Eric Vierow

“ Eric- i enjoyed playing basketball with Matthew and just hanging at the ymca working out and just discussing guy stuff. Such a good friend and i cant believe we lost him. My heart goes out to his family.

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**Eric Vierow** - October 23, 2014 at 02:36 PM

LA

“ Carol, Yesterday, today, tomorrow. You will always be Matt's Mom. You didn't need a first name because we all knew you as Matt's Mom. Oh my gosh all the memories of Marc and Matt being BOYS together. My heart is just so heavy for you and all Matt's family. Please know I am always here for you. Dave and I send love and prayers.

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**LAURIE** - October 23, 2014 at 12:29 PM

DG

“ Dear Carol,  
My Heart aches for you. I'm so very sorry to hear this sad news about Matthew. Please know that my thoughts are with you and praying for you and your family,

*Diane Gebert*

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**Diane Gebert** - October 22, 2014 at 05:27 PM

JM

“ Dear Carol,

*I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dear Matthew. My heart is aching for you and my thoughts and prayers will be with you. I am now back in Pa and living in Harleysville. If there is anything I can do please let me know.*

*Deepest Sympathy,*

*Jackie Miller*

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**Jackie Miller** - October 22, 2014 at 05:17 PM



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**Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home** - October 22, 2014 at 02:20 PM

EC

*You will always have a spot on south beach bro much love always  
Gene and Michele*

**Eugene Collier** - October 31, 2014 at 07:15 PM

 Ross  
Pennypacker

“ *Matt and I grew up together back in Spring City. Some of my best memories were from those days playing ball down at the courts. We had a lot in common, but more than anything, we both had a passion for competition. I never met anyone that hated losing as much as me, until I met Matt. He made me want to get better at everything. I didn't even like basketball, but I can remember asking my parents if I could sign up because Diehl was playing. Matt was an early inspiration to me and for that I am eternally grateful. And even though we may have grown apart over the years, it doesn't change the fact that we grew up side by side. I can honestly say that Matt helped me become the man I am today. To Carol, I am so sorry for your loss. Matt will always be a special part of Jason and my childhood. And to Katie and the children, please take comfort in knowing that Matt had a great heart and that will continue to live on through you. God bless.*

*-Ross Pennypacker*

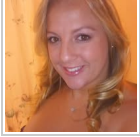
**Ross Pennypacker** - October 22, 2014 at 05:44 AM



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**Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home** - October 21, 2014 at 11:56 PM



“ *Lisa Barbish lit a candle in memory of Matthew D. Diehl*



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**Lisa Barbish** - October 21, 2014 at 04:03 PM

BP

“ *Dear Katie,*

*I am sad to hear of the loss of your husband and friend. My heart is heavy, and I will be sending many prayers upward for you and your children. I work in Wyomissing and will not be able to attend the memorial service, but my thoughts will be with you especially at that time.*

*Barbara Palmer*

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**Barbara Palmer** - October 21, 2014 at 08:54 AM

VS

“ *Matt was a great person! Sending prayers to his wife and family during this difficult time! May he rest peacefully. xoxo*



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**Valerie Schell** - October 21, 2014 at 07:57 AM

JP

“ My favorite memories with Matt was him always checking up on me. Making sure I was going to school and staying out trouble in Florida. How many friends can actually do that. Him telling me about his son Derrick and playing PS3 with them. I love him

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**jonathan pike** - October 20, 2014 at 09:38 PM

SH

“ Matt was one of my best friends. His smile was as beautiful as his soul. We have shared so many wonderful times together. I will remember him always as the amazing friend he was. God bless his family.. Mrs. Diehl, Katie, and his two children. He is at peace now.

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**Shannon Hennessey-Stahl** - October 20, 2014 at 07:27 PM

JP

“ I love Matt as a brother. I talked to him everyday even when moved to Florida. I use to talk football with him every Sunday video games and life in general. I am sorry I couldn't make up there because I just started a new job. I know he watching over me. And he is proud of me I am going to miss him so much. Good bye Matt you always be my bring brother

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**jonathan pike** - October 20, 2014 at 06:36 PM

RO

“ I remember when Katie first met Matt I was so happy for her. I knew she deserved all the happiness in the world for her and her son. Still, I didn't really know Matt and being Katie's best friend I still kind of "put him to the test". I remember they came down to visit me at the shore and we all went out to dinner. Matt cracked all our crab legs for us. That may sound so dumb but it still sticks out to me to this day how he wanted to treat us like ladies. I also remember we all would send funny pics back and forth to each other (MS13) and I felt like Katie finally found someone who gets our weird sense of humor. One other thing I know is he really loved his boys. Derek is great at sports because of his Dad. Every time he talks about basketball I know it's stuff he learned from Matt. I'm so sorry Matt can't be by his side anymore but I know Derek's athleticism won't fade and that's a gift he will carry on for his whole life. Matt, I promise to stay by Katie's side and the kid's side forever. They are my family and I will always keep only the good memories alive!!

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**Robin** - October 20, 2014 at 06:34 PM

GB

“ My sweet baby brother you are at peace now. I'm sad I'm angry my heart aches but I know the weight on your shoulders has been lifted. I miss so much what I would do to hug you and tell you I love you one last time.

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**Gina Boughter** - October 20, 2014 at 06:34 PM