



## David Charles Hahn

October 30, 1976 - September 27, 2016

David Charles Hahn, born October 30, 1976 in Royal Oak, Michigan, passed away

On September 27, 2016 at the age of 39.

Loving son of Kenneth (Kathleen) Hahn and the late Patricia Hahn. Dear brother of Kevin (Tracey) Breeding and Kristina (Gary) Watkins. Dear grandson of Edwin & Lorraine Hahn, John & Marilyn Simms and the late Richard & Lucille Spaulding. He was also survived by many loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be on Saturday from 11am until 3 pm with a Funeral service 2 pm at the Wasik Funeral Home Inc., 49150 Schoenherr Rd., (N. of 22 Mile) Shelby Twp. Interment at Great Lakes National Cemetery Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family at [www.wasikfuneralhome.com](http://www.wasikfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 1. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
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Shelby Township, MI 48315  
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# Tribute Wall

RS

“ Since reading about David's life I admire his efforts and sentiment. I'm sorry I didn't try to look him up and make friends. He remains an inspiration and his family may always be very proud of him in all ways.

Randel Smith

Texas

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Randel Smith - November 02, 2018 at 09:58 PM

BR

“ I am saddened by news of David's passing, we were friends in Great Lakes at ET "A" school, I have many fond memories of long scientific discussions with him after class. My thoughts are with his family.

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Brian - July 02, 2017 at 09:49 AM



“ David's passing comes as a terrible shock to me as I look back over the correspondences we had over the years. He was clever, engaging, and creative. Amateur nuclear science in its current state owes much to David Hahn because his story is widely known in this community. He will live on in the imaginations of many youngsters who have ambitions to explore nuclear physics and engineering with their own hands and minds. In making these laudatory observations, I do not mean to neglect the great challenges that confronted David, his parents, and various authorities as he pioneered his interests; there are lessons here that have informed the later generation of nuclear hobbyists and the wider communities in which we live. With a very heavy heart I offer my sympathies to David's family and his many friends, followers, and admirers who will visit this page.

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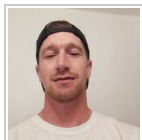
Carl Willis - October 29, 2016 at 11:38 AM

MA

“ I only knew David through youtube and the book "The Radioactive Boy Scout" and was intrigued by his life and pursuits. My condolences to the family for their loss.

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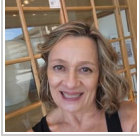
**Mark** - October 28, 2016 at 10:43 PM



“ I only knew David for a short period of time (or Hahns Solo as he was nicknamed here), but consider him a good friend. We exchanged life experiences with each other while at Life challenge Bible Institute, I am very glad to have met him. One of the most genuine person I have met. He was eccentric, charismatic, and definitely one of a kind. He will truly be missed.

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**Aaron Witinko** - October 24, 2016 at 07:07 PM



“ David was my nephew. I liked him very much as a person. He was always kind when I would see him at family reunions, holidays, etc. He was a real trailblazer in so many ways always wanting to learn and share his information with the world. He also had a lot of courage having joined the military and completing 4 years in the Navy and 2 in the Marines. His love of science and chemistry resulted in his achieving his well known nuclear breeder reactor.



On a more personal level David was a sensitive soul who loved family and animals. I always saw him as an "artist" at heart with a superior intellect. He never spoke badly about others and was in many ways "above" everyday practical concerns, caring more about people and making a difference.

I would occasionally get letters from him and I would also write. My letters always ended up sounding like a "mother" to him giving him encouragement and advice.

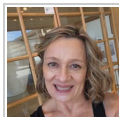
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God Bless David and God Bless Ken, Kathy, Diana and Kristina for all they have done for David and being there as his loving family.

We will all miss David and His unique personality very much!

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**Barb Adams** - October 01, 2016 at 08:10 PM



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**Barb Adams** - October 01, 2016 at 08:21 PM



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**Barb Adams** - October 01, 2016 at 08:06 PM

TC

“ Ken, Kristina, Kathy, Hahns, and Missigs, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember David well, a brainy kid who thought outside of the box, without limits, in a way that I increasingly appreciate as I get older as the most admirable and true form of intelligence. I smile to think back of going in his bedroom while he was working on science projects as his step-sister and I took a break from talking boy bands, dogs, bunnies, and cats. I hope your family finds peace in the wake of David's passing. You're all in my thoughts. --(former River Oaks friend) Tammy

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**Tammy Chapman** - October 01, 2016 at 12:48 AM

FT

*I am so sorry for your loss. To lose a parent or a child is one of the hardest challenges to under go. I hope you find comfort in the words of our Creator who says "I will fortify you, yes, I will help you." (Is. 41:10)*

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**Frank Battaglia-Macomb Twp.** - October 01, 2016 at 11:32 AM

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“ Kristina, Ken and your entire family - I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. I remember David when I would spend many days at your house as Kristina's friend in high school. He was always a sweet and quiet kid and had to put up with his sister's loud girlfriends but he tolerated us and was a great sport. I have your entire family in my prayers.

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**Carrie Griffith (Noworolnik)** - September 29, 2016 at 12:19 PM

KW

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Kristina Watkins - September 29, 2016 at 11:25 AM

RH

*Thanks for sharing these amazing photos, Kristina; brings back so many memories about what a sweet and happy kid David was! Love, Uncle Ray*

Ray Hahn - September 29, 2016 at 04:46 PM

KW

“ *I can remember when I first met you David! We were about 6 years old. There was a horrible storm, so we were stuck inside. You were chasing my friend and I all around with the huge fake spider! Growing up you were always looking for an adventure and loved science. I think you wore out all the Back to Future videos you had. I am pretty sure you were trying to figure out how to build your own time machine! I will always remember you for your curiosity. I don't think too many people can say they had a book written about them and almost a movie! I know you had many struggles in this world and I truly believe you will find peace and happiness in heaven. You will always be remembered.*

*Love,  
Kristina*

Kristina Watkins - September 29, 2016 at 11:21 AM

MA

*I am very sorry for your family's loss, my sincerest condolences to you and your family Kristina.*

**Michelle Adams** - September 29, 2016 at 12:02 PM

TC

*I remember the time machine plan, too!*

**Tammy Chapman** - October 01, 2016 at 12:53 AM

KR

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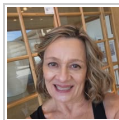


**Kristina** - September 29, 2016 at 06:27 AM

ER

*Kristina, Thank you for sharing these beautiful photos with all of you. Love, David's Aunt Eileen*

**Eileen Hahn Rees** - September 29, 2016 at 10:14 AM



*Love these beautiful pictures Kristina! Thank you for posting! Where do the years go??*

**Barb Adams** - October 01, 2016 at 08:38 PM

UH

“ About my dear nephew David:  
I'll never forget being constantly intrigued by the depth and intensity of his thirst for knowledge. His passion and focus for his interests amazed me, and always left me thinking about the greater picture, what life really means, what things really motivate people. He, like a handful of others I've known, was so brilliant as to not be able to 'fit the mold'; the more traditional path just didn't interest him. He definitely enriched the lives of those around him; a genuinely kind person with a warm smile looking for answers and understanding. I will miss him and remember him forever.

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**Uncle Ray Hahn** - September 28, 2016 at 09:01 PM



Beautifully written and so well said.

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**Barb Adams** - October 02, 2016 at 10:43 PM

DS

“ David, in your spirit to fellow man you expressed care for one's self happiness. You bore care to family through many subject interest in conversations we shared. At Times you shrouded in mystery, but yet you displayed a deep knowledge in subject matter. Always a welcome radiant smile.

Your humanity side expressed in comfort of family members. And a binding love to animal kindness. Your committed service to our country's military lifts our family pride. You have touched our soul in this life, and we hold you forever in our prayers. Lord hear our prayer.

Isaiah 41:10 fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand

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**David Sims** - September 28, 2016 at 07:06 PM

JO

*I'm very stunned about this period great friend back in the day from Mcdolands to fighting over a girl 6 years of being friends then we both move on with life happens miss you bro*

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**joe** - October 24, 2017 at 11:01 PM