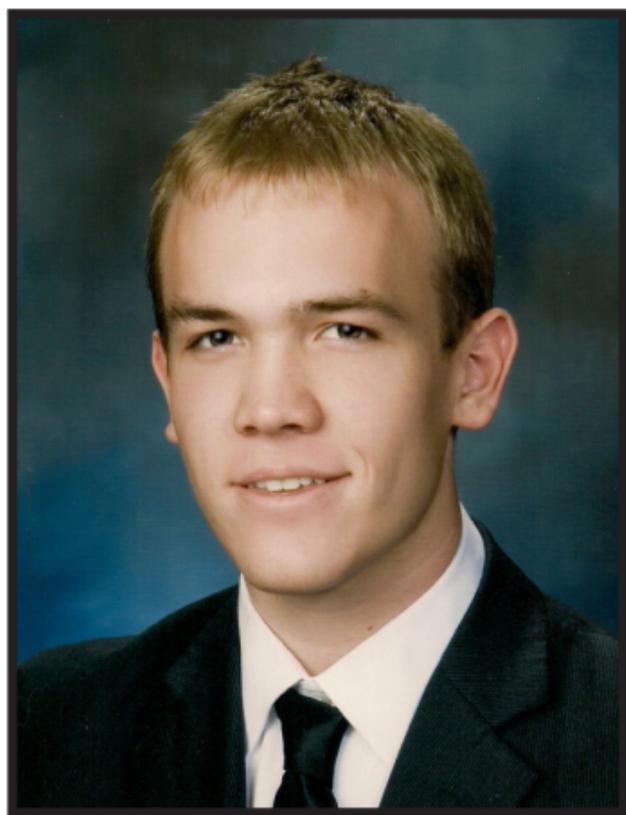


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## *Words of Remembrance*

*"I will think of him as reverent every time I hear talk of the vastness of the cosmos, and the great unknowns waiting to be discovered beyond our world. I choose to think that he found that peace in the way he knew how, that he's in a place where he might be united with all the answers, and his sense of wonder is not diminished, but rather enhanced, by the marvelous chaos of it all. I will think of Alex every time someone tells me not to think so much, and I'll know that anyone so gifted or cursed by the power to think was far too good for a place where that thinking might be so devalued. I will know with utter certainty that thinking "too much" is what made him who he was, and that who he was is so beautiful, and agonizingly complicated that telling him to just try to stop it is a sort of blasphemy. I will think of Alex every time I read a good book, or see a great film, and I'll wish that I could tell him about it. Every time that someone's words or art move me, I'll wish that I could hear what he thought. I worry I might find myself getting angry that he deprived me of that privilege, but I'll have to remember that the privilege was having him in my life at all, and that all joys and sorrows, even those that last a lifetime, or haunt a soul are ultimately only very temporary. -Lauran Elam"*

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