

Let children walk with Nature, let them see  
the beautiful blendings and communions of  
death and life, their joyous inseparable unity,  
as taught in woods and meadows, plains and  
mountains and streams of our blessed star,  
and they will learn that death is stingless  
indeed, and as beautiful as life.

-John Muir



*In Loving Memory*  
CELEBRATING A LIFE  
Nicholas John Hanks

August 14, 1991 - November 21, 2015

*Funeral Service:*

11:00 a.m., Friday, November 27, 2015

First Presbyterian Church  
Wessington, South Dakota

*Minister:* Rev. Matt Richards

*Casketbearers:*

Andy Borah - Tate Halverson - Chevy Foster  
Jeff "Will" Ziegler - Derek Kleinsasser - Brandon Rojo

*Honorary Casketbearers:*

Nathan Daak - Travis Daak - Justin Hanks  
Josh Walth - Spencer Allen - Kevin Hanks

*Musicians:*

Cleo Kleinsasser - Shari & Justin Hanks

*Music Selections:*

"Amazing Grace" - "How Great Thou Art"  
"Thank God for Kids"

*Interment:*

St. Joseph Cemetery  
Wessington, South Dakota

Join the family for lunch and fellowship at the Wessington  
Community Center following the burial.

Arrangements Entrusted To  
Reck Funeral Home - Miller, South Dakota  
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Nick Hanks, 24, of Wessington, passed away Saturday, November 21, 2015.

Nicholas John was born August 14, 1991 in Rapid City, SD to James and Denise (McIntosh) Hanks. He graduated in 2010 from Douglas High School in Box Elder, SD. After high school, he moved to Wessington where he lived until his passing. While in Wessington, he worked at Verne's Manufacturing as a welder and was a volunteer fire fighter. In his spare time, he would help with various events in Wessington, enjoyed bowling, and loved everything about hunting and fishing.

His memory will be cherished by his parents, James and Denise Hanks of Rapid City; brother, Michael (Jill) Miller and nieces, Aralynn and Ellie Grace of Hutchinson, MN; brother, Jimmy Hanks of Wessington; grandmothers, Mary Hill of Wessington and Lucretia McIntosh of Rapid City; two aunts, Debra McIntosh of Hector, MN and DeeAnn (Kenneth) Daak of Belle Plains, MN; five uncles: John Hanks and Don (Linda) Hanks, all of Wessington, Jerry (Shari) Hanks of Rapid City, Richie McIntosh of Colorado Springs, CO, and Henry (Robin) McIntosh of Rapid City; and numerous cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers: Gerald Hanks, Vern Hill, and Joe McIntosh.

