



# Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn

November 25, 1991 - April 16, 2019

## Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn

Matthew Schmaljohn, age 27, of Gillette, Wyoming, died in a automobile accident, near Gillette, on his way to work on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Matthew was born on his mother's 26th birthday, November 25, 1991 in Chadron, Nebraska. He was raised in Chadron and in Gillette, Wyoming. He received his education in Chadron and in Gillette where he graduated from Campbell County high school with the class of 2010. He had recently moved back to Gillette and started a career in truck driving for Kissack Water and Oil.

Matthew had goals in mind and was attaining those goals when he was taken. Matt loved to fish as a child and as a adult. You would often find him with a fishing pole In hand. Matt also loved frogs, turtles, dogs, cats and all of God's animals. He had a special dog named Little Foot and a beloved cat named Poge whom he loved.

Matt was a faithful and loyal friend caring much about people, especially his mother and grandmother. He had his share of problems and overcame them. He was faithful to his God was a much beloved son and grandson. His family is very grateful for the gift of Matt. He made our lives much richer.

There is simply no way to sumup or put into words all that Matthew was or accomplished. He was a precious gift; to his family, friends and the world. We are blessed for having known and loved him. And we are blessed for having been known and loved by him. Love never dies.

Matthew was preceded in death by his maternal great grandparents.  
Matthew is survived by his mother, Machelle Curl and step father Rob Curl,  
his father Michael Ralph  
Schmaljohn, his adopted dad, Richard Zapel; his grandmother, Sharon Dietz  
along with numerous aunts uncles and cousins.

# Previous Events

## Vigil Service

APR **23**. 7:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Beach, North Dakota  
125 4th Avenue Southwest  
P.O. Box 488  
Beach, ND 58621  
(701) 872-3232  
silha@midstate.net

## Service

APR **24**. 10:00 AM (MT)

First Lutheran Church  
225 2nd Ave SE  
Beach, ND 58621

# Tribute Wall



“ *I remember the first time I met Matt as a teen in Beach. He was always there for me. I can't believe you're not here anymore. Sad to see this.*

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**erica** - December 27, 2023 at 05:01 PM



“ *Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn*

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December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Machelle and family..... our constant prayers are with you during this time of unimaginable sadness. We will forever remember the little toddler who graced our home for a short while! You two were certainly a blessing to our entire family. We love you..... Jackie and Mike Parks*

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**Jackie Parks** - April 24, 2019 at 10:03 PM



“ *Michelle and Family: Words cannot explain your loss. Our deepest sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with you. Dena, Jerry and Georgina*

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**Dena Crews** - April 23, 2019 at 12:17 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn.*



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April 22, 2019 at 03:42 PM



“ *Abbey, Naomi and Brandy purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn.*



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**Abbey, Naomi and Brandy** - April 22, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *Machelle, Please accept my heartfelt condolences. I'm at a loss for words, but I will keep you in my prayers and thoughts. Peace, and love to you and your family.*

*Julie Aldinger  
Gillette, WY*

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**Julie Aldinger** - April 22, 2019 at 10:47 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Matthew Nicholas Schmaljohn.*



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April 18, 2019 at 12:06 PM