



# Ryan Matthew Simpson

November 4, 2008 - June 6, 2025

Ryan Matthew Simpson, age 16, of Versailles, passed away Friday, June 6, 2025. He was born November 4, 2008, in Warrensburg, Missouri, son of Matt and Kayla (White) Simpson.

He recently completed his sophomore year at Morgan County R-II High School in Versailles. Ryan was active in DECA, football, wrestling, track and field, cross country and weightlifting. He lived life with energy, determination and a heart full of compassion. He was a talented athlete, known for his grit and sportsmanship.

An avid outdoorsman, he found peace and joy in nature. He loved camping, hunting, fishing, running and butchering season with the Lutz family. He was also a skilled gamer, always ready for a new challenge.

One of his greatest joys was working on cars. Whether he was tinkering under the hood or learning alongside his grandfather and father, his curiosity and talent for mechanics were evident early on.

He was employed at Koechner's Manufacturing in Tipton. Though he only worked there for a year, he quickly made an impact and formed lasting connections. He loved driving next door on his breaks to visit his mom's store – never one to walk when he could take the scenic route. To him, coworkers

felt more like family and he cherished that bond.

Ryan will be remembered for his smile, kindness and the way he made everyone around him feel valued. He brought laughter, loyalty and love into the lives of all who knew him. Forever young, forever loved.

Ryan is survived by his father, Matt Simpson of Versailles, Missouri; mother and step-father, Kayla and Andy Lutz of Versailles, Missouri; siblings, Parker Simpson, Reece Lutz, Drew Lutz, Macklyn Lutz, Atticus Tatum and Neva Simpson all of Versailles, Missouri; paternal grandparents, John and Teena Simpson of Versailles, Missouri; maternal grandparents, JJ and Kelly White of Versailles, Missouri; step-grandmother, Jackie Lutz of Tipton, Missouri; great-grandmothers, Linda Bartlett of Stover, Missouri and Marguerite Simpson of Earlham, Iowa numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, teammates and friends.

The family will receive friends from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 12th, at the Morgan County R-II High School Gymnasium. The family suggests those attending the visitation wear black and gold. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, June 13th, at the Morgan County R-II High School Gymnasium, with Pastor Brad Homan officiating. Due to the road construction, please use the road entrance on the east side of the campus near the baseball field. Memorial contributions are suggested to the family in care of Matt Simpson or Kayla Lutz.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **12.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Morgan County R-II High School Gymnasium  
913 W. Newton  
Versailles, MO 65084

## Service

JUN **13.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Morgan County R-II High School Gymnasium  
913 W. Newton  
Versailles, MO 65084

# Tribute Wall

CF

“ *love you Ryan rest in peace* ”



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**Carson Fischer** - April 30 at 11:11 AM

RV

“ *My thoughts and prayers for your family during this terrible time. My deepest sympathy!* ”

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**Robert Del Valle** - June 13, 2025 at 09:32 AM

MS

“ *Wish I could go, I'm still on the road. Prayers for comfort for his family and friends.* ”

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**Misty Shewmaker** - June 13, 2025 at 02:27 AM

SL

“ *He will be missed by many.* ”



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**ShaNay Long** - June 13, 2025 at 12:50 AM



“ Pam Hill-Ramey lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson

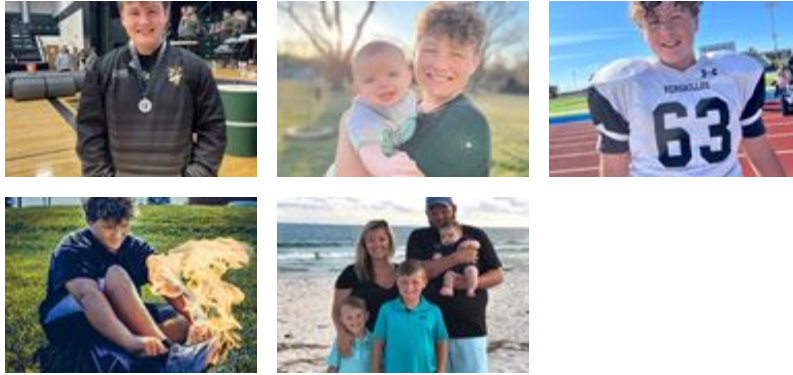


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**Pam Hill-Ramey** - June 12, 2025 at 08:53 AM



“ 51 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Kidwell-Garber Funeral Homes** - June 11, 2025 at 08:48 PM



“ Rolanda Hanlon lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson



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**Rolanda Hanlon** - June 11, 2025 at 08:16 PM

BS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this saddest of all times.*



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**Brenda Self** - June 11, 2025 at 03:52 PM

PW

“ *Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers*  
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**Phyllis White** - June 11, 2025 at 03:12 PM

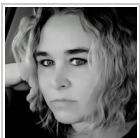
EF

“ *Erica Frazier lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Erica Frazier** - June 11, 2025 at 01:45 PM



“ *Kayla Twyman-Bland lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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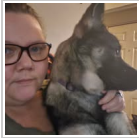
**Kayla Twyman-Bland** - June 11, 2025 at 11:18 AM

CW

“ *Chelsey Wood lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Chelsey Wood - June 11, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ *Carrie Brock lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Carrie Brock - June 11, 2025 at 10:19 AM

MA

“ *Mark Anderson lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



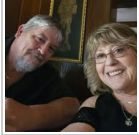
Mark Anderson - June 11, 2025 at 09:34 AM

SC

“ *Samantha Chapman lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Samantha Chapman - June 11, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ *Rita Blackburn-Hunsaker lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Rita Blackburn-Hunsaker** - June 11, 2025 at 09:09 AM

CB

“ *Cristy Bauer lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Cristy Bauer** - June 11, 2025 at 08:43 AM

BS

“ *Brittany Shelton lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Brittany Shelton** - June 11, 2025 at 07:49 AM

BK

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with the family.*  
*Barbara Karigan*



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**Barb Karigan** - June 11, 2025 at 07:21 AM

SB

“ To Ryan’s family I’m so sorry for your loss he will never be forgotten 💔



susan baker - June 11, 2025 at 01:50 AM

GA

“ Matt, Kayla, Andy, and all those who loved Ryan are in our hearts and prayers.



Ginger and Donnie Arment - June 10, 2025 at 11:32 PM

DM

“ The families are in our thoughts and prayers. David and Debbie Mccollom



David mccollom - June 10, 2025 at 11:31 PM

TP

“ Lit a candle for Ryan Matthew Simpson. He will never be forgotten. Prayers to his family and friends.



Terrie Puckett - June 10, 2025 at 11:19 PM

AR

“ *Abby Rimmer lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Abby Rimmer - June 10, 2025 at 11:02 PM

JC

“ *Jennifer Curtis lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Jennifer curtis - June 10, 2025 at 10:48 PM

CC

“ *In our Prayers!*



Christy Coontz - June 10, 2025 at 10:34 PM

SR

“ *Stan Roberts lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Stan Roberts - June 10, 2025 at 10:08 PM

PC

“ *Patricia Chism lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Patricia Chism** - June 10, 2025 at 09:50 PM

PZ

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers are with you and the family in this time of need*



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**Patricia Zeigler** - June 10, 2025 at 09:50 PM

JD

*Sincere condolences and big hugs to Kayla, Andy and family.*

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**Jeannette Daniel** - June 10, 2025 at 10:18 PM

ES

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



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**Erin Slothower** - June 10, 2025 at 09:48 PM

BS

“ *Brenda Smith lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Brenda Smith** - June 10, 2025 at 09:44 PM

DM

“ *Don and I are so sorry for your family's loss. He will be missed by all that knew him.*



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**Diana Moore** - June 10, 2025 at 09:30 PM

TA

“ *Sending prayers and love*



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**Trish Anderson** - June 10, 2025 at 09:23 PM

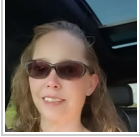
KW

“ *Kelley White lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Kelley White** - June 10, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ Ryan will be deeply missed what a kind heart and soul he had.. he would always give me the biggest hug. Love and prayers



Tami Roman - June 10, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ Prayers for you all



kristy - June 10, 2025 at 09:10 PM



“ Robin Blackburn lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson



Robin Blackburn - June 10, 2025 at 09:09 PM



“ My heart is broken. Please know you're surrounded by love, support, and people who care deeply about you. Ryan's life touched so many, and he will never be forgotten.



Courtney Lake - June 10, 2025 at 08:54 PM

MB

“ *Michelle Brown lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Michelle Brown - June 10, 2025 at 08:48 PM

RW

“ *Rich Williams lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Rich Williams - June 10, 2025 at 08:42 PM



“ *Sharon Andrews lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Sharon Andrews - June 10, 2025 at 08:33 PM

NF

“ *Norma Franklin lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



Norma Franklin - June 10, 2025 at 08:32 PM



“ *Sending our thoughts and prayers for you and your family.* ”



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**Tanya Gardner-sullivan** - June 10, 2025 at 08:31 PM

SJ

“ *Sara James lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson* ”



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**Sara James** - June 10, 2025 at 08:27 PM

RB

“ *Ron Brantley lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson* ”



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**Ron Brantley** - June 10, 2025 at 08:25 PM



“ *David White lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson* ”



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**David White** - June 10, 2025 at 08:16 PM

AR

“ *Ange Roll lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Ange Roll** - June 10, 2025 at 07:49 PM

AR

*Thinking & praying for all*

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**Ange Roll** - June 10, 2025 at 07:50 PM

SP

“ *Samantha Pipes lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Samantha Pipes** - June 10, 2025 at 07:48 PM

SP

*My heart is breaking for Ryan's family, friends and community. Sending prayers and love to all*

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**Samantha Pipes** - June 10, 2025 at 07:49 PM

KR

“ *Kelly Ryan lit a candle in memory of Ryan Matthew Simpson*



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**Kelly Ryan** - June 10, 2025 at 07:42 PM

KR

*Love to the Simpson & Brantley families from the Ryan's*

**Kelly Ryan** - June 10, 2025 at 09:23 PM

SR

“ *SHIRLEY ROOT lit a candle in memory of  
Ryan Matthew Simpson*



**SHIRLEY ROOT** - June 10, 2025 at 07:26 PM

SR

*John and Teena, I am so sorry for the loss of your grandson. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

**SHIRLEY ROOT** - June 10, 2025 at 07:30 PM