



John Patrick Frick

November 7, 2002 - June 20, 2026

John Patrick Frick, age 23, of Saline, Michigan, died on Saturday, June 20, 2026, after a tragic accident. He lived a full life and left the Earth with joy and love in his heart.

John was born on November 7, 2002, to Christopher D. Frick and Kelly Adrian Frick, and became the baby brother to his sister, Emma. His arrival into the world interrupted his dad's CPA examination. He spent the rest of his life providing fodder for the best stories and memories worth talking about.

John lived in Standish, Michigan, until age 10. He lived next door to his Nana and Papa, and his uncle and cousins on the other side of his home. His childhood consisted of barefoot runs with Emma between houses, jumping on the trampoline, swimming in his uncle's pool, playing tag or baseball or riding bikes with his four cousins. He had a babysitter who taught him the alphabet and made his birthday cakes. He made friends at Standish Elementary where he was whip-smart and charmed his teachers. John would later tell people he had a magical childhood.

In fifth grade, he moved to Saline. It took time to adjust but by middle school he had found his core group of friends who would carry him through his graduation day and beyond. John was a varsity athlete in football and track and field at Saline High School. Much to his parents' annoyance, John often

prioritized his large group of friends over academic success (he still made the B honor roll). Looking back, he made the right decision.

John attended and graduated from Michigan State University in December 2025, following in the footsteps of his mom, dad and sister. MSU football games were a family ritual, and tailgate season was his favorite time of year. John joined Phi Kappa Psi fraternity with his high school friend and college roommate. He met his girlfriend at a fraternity party and fell fiercely in love. He begged his parents to get a dog and named him Hank from "Breaking Bad." His 4.5 years at Michigan State were a treasure.

In April, John moved to Chicago for a job. He once again was living in the same city as his sister and was there in May when her boyfriend, Sean Lishawa, proposed. He was excited to welcome a brother into the family.

While his life was too short, he packed so much into it. John loved MSU sports and the Detroit Lions. He traveled. He was a foodie and learned to cook. (His favorite Christmas gift was a cast iron pan.) He heatedly played video games with friends. He played recreational sports throughout school and had recently joined a kickball league in Chicago. John was also a movie and TV show junkie and enjoyed almost any genre of music.

At his core, John loved his friends and family to the fullest measure and never hesitated to show it. He left you no doubt that he loved and cared about you, even if it was with a simple grin. In that way, he was an inspiration for all of us.

John is survived by his parents, sister and her fiancé, his grandparents, Kenneth and Patricia Adrian, and grandmother Mary Frick. He is also survived by his uncles, Kenneth Adrian Jr, Shawn Adrian, Michael (Azra) Frick and Jonathan Frick, as well as cousins, Kenneth Adrian III, Elle Adrian, Zeke Adrian, Grace Adrian, Emmet Adrian, Melissa Frick, Elvis Frick and Marisa

Frick. In addition, he leaves behind his girlfriend, Anna Farrell, and his numerous friends, especially those he affectionately called his “boys.” He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Ronald “Jack” Frick.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, July 2nd at 11:30 AM at Resurrection of the Lord Catholic Church in Standish, Michigan. Visitation will take place at the church from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service. Fr. David Parsch as Celebrant. A luncheon will also be held following the service. Memorial contributions in John’s name may be made to your local Humane Society as John loved animals, or to the Spartan Fund at Michigan State University to support MSU athletics. Donations may be made online by visiting <https://spartanfund.net/> To leave a memory you have of John, to sign his online guestbook or for directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Resurrection of the Lord Catholic Church
423 West Cedar Street
Standish, MI 48658
<http://www.arenaccatholic.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 2. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

KP

“ When I look back on some of my fondest memories from high school and greatest friendships I’ve had, I think of John. From every weekend spent at Donny’s place, heckling each other for our biology labs, to being pulled over at 4am in the middle of nowhere, John was there cracking jokes in the most stressful of situations. John, you will be in all of our hearts forever, and we will never stop talking about you.



Kalista Perron - 7 minutes ago

JB

“ John it’s hard to even put into words how much I miss you already. Getting to become so close to you over college is something I will cherish forever. Whether it be hanging out daily in Akers or Butterfield, enjoying a BFT on a fall Saturday, meeting up at halftime of a Lions game at Ford Field to talk about what the Lions need to do in the second half to win, or just a simple text about how life and work is going. I am forever going to miss the friendship that we had. I love you brother, and I can’t wait to see you again.



Josh Behen - 9 minutes ago

DO

“ John never failed to make me laugh. From our sideline conversations during football practice, to the mundane drives we'd take after school when he had his license before me. Truly one of the most genuine, loving and caring person anyone could meet. Love you brother.



Donny Opland - 31 minutes ago

TF

“ The Godek Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John Patrick Frick.



The Godek Family - 35 minutes ago

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“ The Godek Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Patrick Frick.

The Godek Family - 35 minutes ago

GG

“ John was the closest thing to a brother I’ll ever have. I’ll always remember our times we shared and the unbreakable bond we have. From middle school wrestling, to rushing a fraternity and living on our own and growing up together. John you are my best friend and brother, you made everyone in your life a better person and friend. I love you



Gino Geherin - 50 minutes ago

DO



Donny Opland - 30 minutes ago

SW

“ Sheryl & Walt Northam & Alex Wagner purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of John Patrick Frick.



Sheryl & Walt Northam & Alex Wagner - 1 hour ago

GL

“ Thank you for 10+ years of amazing memories, my friend. I’ll miss my birthday buddy but you will live on in all of our hearts forever. Love you, brother.

Gav



Gavin Lytle - 1 hour ago

DO



Donny Opland - 30 minutes ago

CM

“ Playing Rec-ball with you was fun, always competitive! Your dad, Chris, helping out with coaching and making us all better players are memories never forgotten.

- Colin Mitchell

Colin Mitchell - 3 hours ago