



## Brian Lawrence Hetrick

February 28, 1998 - July 16, 2019

Brian Lawrence Hetrick, 21, of North Huntingdon died at home on July 16, 2019. He was born February 28, 1998 in Greensburg, the loving son of Warren Hetrick and Marina Venturelli. In 2002, Brian became the older brother to his surviving sibling, Alex Hetrick. Brian was a 2016 graduate of Norwin High School. He was about to begin his Senior year at University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg, where he was a Dean's List student after transferring from WCCC in 2018. He also worked at Kohl's, North Huntingdon for the past few years.

Brian was a good kid. He didn't do drugs, never got into trouble, and hardly drank. He went to pre-school at Calvary Preschool Center, attended first grade at West Hempfield Elementary before transferring to Sunset Valley Elementary, and continued his high school career at Norwin School District. He received First Communion and Confirmation at St. Agnes Church.

He played soccer for many years at the Norwin Soccer Club, playing for coach Seth's Travel Team, and later for the 9th Grade High School Team. He went on to play for WCCC his freshman year in college. He also participated in martial arts, T-ball, baseball, basketball and track growing up. Brian spoke Italian, and he loved travelling to Italy to visit his Nonni, and especially adored being with his two young cousins there, who took to him so much. He also enjoyed beach vacations growing up, and being with his good friends Marc, Cayden, Cam, Kevin, and many other special friends from all parts of his life.

In addition to his parents and his brother, Brian is survived by his maternal grandparents Pietro and Olimpia (Casolari) Venturelli of Bergamo, Italy; Uncle and Aunt Luca and Cristina Venturelli and young cousins Lucrezia and Greta also of Bergamo, Italy; Uncle and Aunt Ronald and Ellen (Stetzer) Hetrick from Bremerton, WA., and older cousin Eli Hetrick from Seattle WA. Special Godparents (Uncle and Aunt to Brian) Mike and Carolyn Backus, who loved Brian like their own.

Friends and family will be received from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and 12:30 to 2 p.m. Saturday at the William Snyder Funeral Home, 521 Main Street, Irwin, 724-863-1200. A private Blessing service will be held Saturday after the public visiting hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to American Foundation for Suicide Prevention <https://afsp.org>.

For online condolences please visit [www.snyderfuneralservices.com](http://www.snyderfuneralservices.com).

# Events

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**JUL** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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William Snyder Funeral Home, Inc.  
521 Main Street, Irwin, PA, US, 15642

**JUL** **Visitation** 12:30PM - 02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ Ciao Marina. ...mi dispiace molto non ci sono parole per descrivere questa disgrazia che ha colpito la tua famiglia. ...ti sono vicina un abbraccio forte a tutti voi!

**Cosetta** - July 31 at 05:38 PM

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“ Ciao Marina!! Ho saputo da poco!!!! Che dire sono senza parole!!! Un abbraccio forte forte da tutti noi. Un bacio!!!

**Davide Franchini** - July 31 at 07:19 AM

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“ penso che non ci sia nessun tipo di parole appropriate dinnanzi a una tragedia simile Solo un forte abbraccio a te e Marina E a tutta la tua famiglia vi sono vicino giordano franchini

**Franchini Giordano** - July 31 at 01:27 AM

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“ Marina, vi siamo vicini con il cuore in questo triste momento. Un abbraccio Famiglia Casolari Tino, Iris, Enrico, Monica e famiglie

**enrico casolari** - July 29 at 04:03 PM

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“ Carissima Marina, ho appreso la notizia della prematura scomparsa del tuo Brian con infinita tristezza. In queste circostanze le parole sono ben povera cosa, voglio però esprimerti la mia vicinanza e le più sentite condoglianze a te e famiglia. Un forte abbraccio. Cristina Villa

**MARIA CRISTINA VILLA** - July 26 at 03:00 AM

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“ Ciao Marina,  
Non ci sono parole di consolazione per un così grande dolore. Ti abbraccio e ti penso nelle mie preghiere.  
Giovanna Govi

**Giovanna Govi** - July 26 at 02:34 AM



“ Cara Marina, non ci sono parole che possono alleviare il dolore per una perdita così grande. Posso solo dirti che ti sono vicina con tutto il mio cuore. Rosi

Rosi Frisoli - July 25 at 05:22 PM



“ Cara marina ti sono vicina in questo momento di immenso dolore. Ti abbraccio forte  
Francs

Franca - July 25 at 04:24 PM



“ Cara Marina  
La notizia della scomparsa del tuo adorato Brian mi ha riempito il cuore di dolore  
Ti sono vicina e Ti abbraccio forte  
Cinzia

Cinzia - July 25 at 04:12 PM



“ Ciao Marina,  
non ci sono parole per esprimere il dispiacere nell'apprendere questa terribile notizia.  
Un caro abbraccio a te ed anche alla tua famiglia .  
Milva

Milva Quaglieri - July 25 at 04:02 PM



“ Cara Marina,  
Questa notizia ha raggiunto anche le tue vecchie compagne di scuola. Il vostro lutto è immenso. Partecipò col pensiero e con la preghiera al vostro dolore. Silvia

Silvia Fossati - July 25 at 04:02 PM



“ Dear Marina and family, there are no words I can say to make this any better. I'm so so so sorry for your loss. A horrible tragedy and no one wins here.

I hope you will find strength and comfort in having your family and friends around you and I hope you can stay strong for Alex.

There's nothing more important in the world than family. Stay strong for each other

and try to remember Brian and all the happy moments you have shared with him. He is now your guardian angel and will watch over and protect you.

Sending all the love and hugs to you and yours. I will leave you with this:

“Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass...It's about learning to dance in the rain.”

God bless you and your family Marina.

**Becky Choi** - July 25 at 02:15 PM

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“ Judy Magill lit a candle in memory of Brian Lawrence Hetrick



**Judy Magill** - July 24 at 07:30 AM



“ Dear Marina and Family, May God comfort you in your sorrow and profound loss. Judy (Eileen's friend)

**Judy Magill** - July 24 at 07:32 AM

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss, Marina... I sent you a big hug since I'm speechless and so sad...



**Aline AR** - July 22 at 05:41 AM

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“ Marina and family I have no words to ease your pain, except that only time will ease somewhat your pain. Keep the memories close. Love and hugs .

**Marti Fisher** - July 20 at 08:43 PM



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“ Un profondo e sentito cordoglio a te Marina e a tutte le persone a te care , per la perdita del vostro amato Brian.  
Chiara e Gabriele  
(Coro la Miniera)

**Chiara Gabriele** - July 20 at 04:21 PM

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“ 133 files added to the album LifeTributes



**William Snyder Funeral Home** - July 19 at 04:38 PM



“ While we have never met face to face, I feel we are friends and have our own little Castaways family. We care for you and will always be here for you. This tragedy will haunt you and your family forever. Love those around you now even more that ever before. Words will never be enough to express our deepest condolences to you and your family. Take care of yourself and let others do for you.

**Susan Moore** - July 19 at 06:54 PM

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“ Carissima Marina, siamo vicini a te e a tutta la tua famiglia con un abbraccio colmo d'affetto che speriamo possa raggiungervi nonostante le enormi distanze che ci separano. Questa notizia ci rattrista molto. Nulla si può dire se non che continueremo a pensarvi e a pregare per tutti voi. With Love, Ornella e Sergio

**Ornella Volpato** - July 19 at 01:40 PM

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“ Carissima Marina un abbraccio fortissimo a te e anche a tutti tuoi famigliari. Non ho parole... ti voglio bene. Daniela Sangiorgio

**Daniela Sangiorgio** - July 19 at 11:11 AM

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“ Brian was a kind young man who was friendly and helpful as a coworker at Kohls. I enjoyed getting to know him over these past few years and have a heavy heart that such a wonderful soul is gone too soon. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.  
-Karen Davis

Karen Davis - July 19 at 09:35 AM

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“ Lori Blatney lit a candle in memory of Brian Lawrence Hetrick



Lori Blatney - July 18 at 10:06 PM



“ So so sad today. Ive known Brian since he was a small boy. Cutting his hair even when he didn't think he needed one. Now seeing him as a young man with a big life ahead of him. Marina my heart breaks for you my friend. I Love you

Lori Blatney - July 18 at 10:09 PM

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“ Unfortunately I couldn't have enough time to know Brian better, but I remember vividly the few times we have met.. He was staying with his Nonni; we didn't speak much probably because we were both just two strangers, but what struck me the most about this young boy was, apart from his excellent Italian, his bright and contagious smile that I will never forget. Brian, nonostante le poche occasioni che abbiamo avuto e le poche parole che ci siamo scambiati, ci mancherai tantissimo... Oltre a ricordare questo splendido ragazzo, vogliamo esprimere le nostre più sentite condoglianze alla famiglia di Brian. Siete nei nostri pensieri e nelle nostre preghiere.

Giulia, Caterina e Graziano

Giulia Levanti - July 18 at 05:23 PM

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“ I had the great honor and pleasure of working with Brian at Kohl's. He always such a pleasant, kind, loving person to be around. Brian was always willing to help others and go above and beyond what was expected of him. He was that one person that everyone at Kohl's enjoyed being around and made working retail (which is often stressful at times) so much more enjoyable. Brian, you are so loved and so incredibly

missed. Our Kohl's family will forever miss you. I am so honored to have known you and worked with you.

-Lindsay Crowe

Lindsay Crowe - July 18 at 05:11 PM

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“ Brian and I met a little over two years ago when I started working at Kohl's. He always made my shifts that little bit better, and every time I worked with him I never left without laughing at least once no matter how bad my day was. Even though I left Kohl's almost a year ago, he was one of the reasons I kept thinking about coming back. We also attended UPG together, and I looked forwards to the times where we would pass each other on campus and always make time for a brief conversation. He was one of the kindest, most down to earth people that I knew and he will be greatly missed.

Katrina Gluch - July 18 at 02:18 PM

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“ Where do I begin... Brian made work feel less like work and more like a second home. His kind and gentle spirit, sarcastic personality, and hilarious sense of humor made everyone smile. I feel so grateful to have known him and even more to have called him my friend. As he always told me when I complained about school: “you're doing the best you can, and your best is good enough.” - Thank you, Brian, for the memories. You are missed and loved more than words can say. To his family and friends, my heart, thoughts, prayers, all of the above are with you all. Rest easy, my wonderful friend



Lynne Gillott - July 18 at 02:12 PM

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“ Brian had such a beautiful and kind soul. We worked together for many years in the evenings at Kohls. I knew about his grandparents and how he loved to visit them and how much he enjoyed his last vacation with them. I would always ask him to speak words in Italian when he returned home. I knew his love for Star Wars and how he was looking forward to his last year at Pitt. We had so many great conversations about everything in life, as he was more like a son to me than a co-worker or friend. A wonderful young person gone way to soon. God be with you Brian. May your family find comfort and peace. - Glenda Sekerchak

Glenda Sekerchak - July 18 at 02:11 PM

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“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brian Lawrence Hetrick.



July 18 at 12:01 PM

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“ I worked with Brian at kohl's for a little over a year. He had a wonderful personality and was a great co-worker. My prayers go out to his family and friends

Kaitlynn McGowan - July 18 at 11:50 AM

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“ Heartfelt and deepest sympathies to the Hetrick family during this difficult time. Our hearts are saddened to hear of Brian's passing. Having raised our families together in the neighborhood, your grief and pain is shared by many. Please know that our family and many others are here for you. We are keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers today and always. - The Mihalchik Family

Renee Mihalchik - July 18 at 11:19 AM

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“ I met brian a little over two years ago at kohls when he helped train me and we also went to Wccc together. Ever since then I would go talk to him every shift we worked together. Seeing him always made my day. Everyone would always go over and talk to him. He was just that kind of person who made everyone feel welcome and happy. He was one of the nicest, funniest, and the most down to earth person I have ever met.



Sofia Manns - July 18 at 11:11 AM

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“ Brian and I started got hired at Kohl’s in the same year. I loved working with him. We probably talked more than we worked, but somehow we were always able to get stuff done. It was people like him that made working retail a lot less stressful. Our friend group called ourselves “the Kohl’s Kollege Kids.” We had an absolute blast when we worked the same shift, especially during the holidays. So many fun memories He is going to be truly missed!! Sending lots of hugs and prayers to his family



Darrian - July 18 at 10:34 AM

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“ I only worked with him a few months over the holidays, but in that time I found Brian to be an amazing young man. I can't compare my sadness to the grief those close to him are feeling... but I feel such a loss. The world lost a beautiful soul. A bright future. A wonderful man that had so much more to give. I'm so sorry.

Sally Turkovic - July 18 at 10:11 AM

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“ I had the Honor and Pleasure of working with Brian and he was such an AWESOME Kid. He was a gentle and kind young man. This world lost one of the good ones. I hope he knew I thought highly of him. This World needs more kindness in it.  
Bonnie Henderson

Bonnie Henderson - July 18 at 09:31 AM

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“ Brian was like a son to many of us at the store. he will always be remembered and we loved him. Our prayers are with your family now.

Tracey Sepe - July 18 at 08:55 AM

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“ There are no words to comfort you at this time. Please know that your family is in my thoughts and prayers  
Linda Newell

Linda Newell - July 18 at 08:36 AM



“ Brian was an amazing, kind, caring young man. i was blessed to meet him at kohls, as a coworker. Brian you will be missed by many and all of your kohls family. Gone but never forgotten! it's not goodbye, see you later, until then,,,,,Love you, Joan Hutsko

**Joan Hutsko** - July 18 at 08:12 AM

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“ Brian was such an amazing and sweet guy. He always made everyone laugh and smile. Spending time with him was always fun. He'll always be remembered as a sweet smiling guy. He will be missed every second of every day.



**Madison Schutter** - July 18 at 04:07 AM