



**Nicholas James Swanson**, son of Candi Lynn (Spangler) Kuipers and Davey Lee Swanson, was born on June 19, 1999 in Tacoma, Washington. He entered into eternal rest on Monday, December 23, 2019 at Osage County, Kansas, following a one vehicle automobile accident at the age of 20 years, 6 months, and 4 days.

Most all of Nick's life was spent in Shenandoah, Iowa, where he attended the Shenandoah Community Schools. He graduated from Shenandoah High School with the Class of 2017. During his time at SHS, Nick made his mark both on and off the field. He was a standout football player on both offense and defense. As a linebacker, he was honored as the District 8 defensive MVP in 2015 and was named Class 2A 1<sup>st</sup> team All-State in 2016. He also was a part of the 4 x 100 State qualifying and Drake Relays qualifying Mustang relay team his senior year.

After graduation, Nick moved to Topeka, Kansas, where he attended college at Washburn University. He returned to Iowa, where he worked in construction with his dad. In early 2019, Nick moved back to Topeka. He was last working at Cracker Barrel Restaurant as a host and had recently joined the Army and was due to report to boot camp on January 13, 2020.

Football was always a favorite for Nick. He loved his Mustangs and the Oklahoma Sooners. He also enjoyed shooting guns, riding four wheelers, was a snap chat king, and working out at the gym. Most of all, he loved his family and enjoyed spending time hanging out with them and his friends.

Preceding Nick in death was his grandfather, Craig Woodward. Left to cherish his memory are his mother, Candi of Topeka, KS; father, Davey and fiancé Christina of Riverton, IA; siblings, Tayla and Jaythan of Topeka, KS, and Kaylie, Travis and Alyssa of Riverton, IA; special friend, Chelsy Bright; other relatives; and many, many friends.



Following the committal service, fellowship and refreshments with the family will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Shenandoah.

*In Loving Memory*

## **NICK SWANSON**

*June 19, 1999 - December 23, 2019  
20 years, 6 months, 4 days*

### **VISITATION**

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday, December 29, 2019  
Nishna Valley Funeral Home  
Shenandoah, Iowa

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

2:00 p.m.  
Monday, December 30, 2019  
Gladys Wirsig-Jones Auditorium  
Shenandoah, Iowa

### **WORDS OF COMFORT**

Rev. Rick Sleyster

### **CASKET BEARERS**

Brody Mattes Gage Appenfeller Blake Swanson Steven Colebank  
Dalton Stoaks Quincy Mattox Colton Smith Bryan Diekmann

### **HONORARY BEARERS**

Skylar Runyon Justin Mattox Dustin Mattox Jaythan Maher

### **MUSIC**

"A Mother's Song"  
"Just Breathe"  
"Someone You Loved"

### **REGISTRY ATTENDANTS**

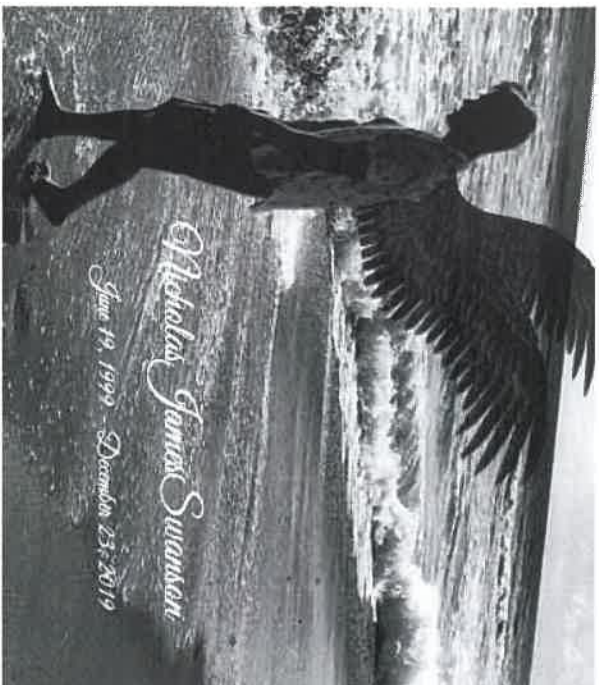
Megan Dukes Chelsie Johnson

### **PLACE OF REST**

Rose Hill Cemetery  
Shenandoah, Iowa

### **MEMORIALS**

Directed to the family



To My Brothers,

A real man is the kind of man that when your feet hit the floor each morning the devil says, "oh, crap, he's up!" Brother, life is too short to wake up with regrets. So **Love** the people who treat you right and **forgive** the ones who don't, because you can. Believe everything happens for a reason. If you get a second chance, grab it, with both hands. If it changes your life, let it. Take a few minutes to think before you act when you're angry. Forgive quickly. God never said life would be easy. He just promised it'd be worth it...

Love Always,

Nick



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They got mine, and I  
always got theirs

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