

REMEMBERING YOU

An original poem by Amy Sue Ehredt, Ben's cousin

I remember the good old days,
Some are vibrant, some a haze.
I remember a party to come,
To celebrate your birthday...

You were so young.
I can't recall the gifts,
I don't remember the cake.
I'm unsure of everything,
Except the happiness
In your eyes and face.

I was older than you then,
And I'm older even now.
Just wanted to tell you I love you.
(Sometimes I don't know how).

You sprouted up like a weed.
I was soon looking up to say "hi".
But even when you went missing,
We all just could not say "good-bye".

From child to man you evolved.
Becoming something much more.
More than my words could say.
We need you now more than ever before.

We all hope you know how much we love and miss you Ben.
We will search for you for however long it takes.
Because we know we will find you.
God Bless you Ben. And may He guide you home.



CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR BENJAMIN MELVIN ROSELAND



7:00 P.M., NOVEMBER 22, 2008
SACRED HEART CHURCH, CLINTON, IOWA

SERVICE

Opening Prayer	Father Richard Okumo
Reading: Isaiah 40:28-31, 41:13	Helen Roseland
Reflection	Father Richard Okumo
Lighting of the Candles	Jim, Theresa, Helen & Audra Roseland
How Great Thou Art Hymn 904	All led by Merry Jo Haber
Prayer of the Faithful	Audra Jean Roseland
Footprints by Margaret Fishback Powers	Gary Herrity
Amazing Grace Hymn 662	All led by Merry Jo Haber
Remarks	Mayor Rodger Holm
Remembering You	Amy Sue Ehredt
Memories of Ben	Ben's Friends & Family
The Lord's Prayer	All



READING

Isaiah 40:28-31, 41:13

Have you not known?	And the young men shall utterly
Have you not heard?	Fall,
The everlasting God, the Lord,	But those who wait on the Lord
The Creator of the ends of the	Shall renew their strength;
earth,	They shall mount up with wings
Neither faints nor is weary.	Like eagles,
His understanding is	They shall run and not be
unsearchable.	weary,
He gives power to the weak,	They shall walk and not faint.
And to those who have no might	For I, the Lord your God,
He increases strength.	Will hold your right hand,
Even the youths shall faint	Saying to you, 'Fear not,
And be weary,	I will help you.'

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For each petition, please respond "Lord, hear our prayer".

Casting doubt aside, we praise our Lord and God, and humbly ask for the answer to our prayers and those of the whole world. We pray to the Lord: "Lord, hear our prayer".

For Benjamin Roseland's safe return as we honor his 20th birthday. We pray to the Lord: "Lord, hear our prayer".

For an end to war and peace to the families as they wait for their loved ones return. We pray to the Lord: "Lord, hear our prayer".

For the wounded, the sorrowing, and the hopeless, that they know God's mercy through the community's love. We pray to the Lord: "Lord, hear our prayer".

For those gathered here to pray for the safe return of Benjamin Roseland, let them know that they are appreciated. We pray to the Lord: "Lord, hear our prayer".

