



John Louis Wedge V

September 28, 1995 - June 30, 2020

Johnny became an angel on June 30, 2020. He will be deeply missed by his father John, mother Terry, and sisters Amanda and Katie. Johnny was born on September 28, 1995. He spent many precious years in Grand Terrace, California surrounded by friends and family. As a child, he loved playing outside with his sisters and neighborhood kids under the huge shady tree in front of the house. His first taste of sports was when he played soccer at age three, then went on to play baseball and fell in love with the sport that he played for many years. He was an avid Yankees fan but spent many hours watching the Angels during baseball season with his mother. He loved swimming in the ocean, camping in the mountains, skateboarding, bicycling, and playing video games with his friends. Kauai became a frequent destination for the family, where it became his “happy place”. Many special memories were made from their Hawaiian vacations. He had a great passion for music and one day hoped to play the guitar. His heart was so big, he wanted to share his experiences, strength, and hope to everyone he came across. Johnny talked about one day becoming a family therapist. He wanted to make the world a better place and help those who struggle with anxiety and depression.

Johnny had the spirit of an old soul and was intelligent beyond his years. One of his final acts of kindness was the donation of his heart, lungs, liver, and kidneys so that others may have a chance of living a long and happy life. He will also live on through his Remember the Rainbow Scholarship Fund helping others find sobriety through addiction free living. His life is a legacy to all who knew him. His love and passion will forever live in our hearts.

In loving celebration of the life of Johnny Wedge, the family has established a memorial tribute fund at Hoag Hospital Foundation, the Johnny Wedge “Remember the Rainbow” Scholarship Fund. Being that Johnny was such a loving and caring person, it was his wish to help others struggling with alcohol and substance abuse through sober living. This scholarship will assist others who do not have the financial means for this treatment program. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be sent to Hoag Hospital Foundation in memory of Johnny Wedge. Gifts will be directed to SolMar Recovery and Hoag Addiction Treatment Programs.

SolMar Recovery is a world-class residential rehabilitation facility. Patients with ongoing

medical needs and/or living arrangements that are not conducive to safe and sober support may meet specific criteria for continued stay as an inpatient. This level of rehabilitation combines continuing medical and nursing care with treatment of the emotional, social, and spiritual aspects of chemical dependency. Set in a beautifully renovated building on Hoag's Newport Beach campus, the 21-bed residential program – SolMar Recovery – is overseen by a multi-disciplinary clinical team, who are on-hand at all hours of the day and night to ensure the highest level of evidence-based care for those struggling with drug and alcohol addiction and co-occurring mental health disorders. This is the only program that is licensed as a residential treatment facility, feels and functions like a residential program, and is physically co-located with an acute care hospital. All of the safety, security, and quality of Orange County's best hospital is available, in a place that feels like home.

To donate directly to the link set up for Johnny Wedge go to <http://giving.hoag.org/Wedge> Gifts in the form of checks may be mailed to: Hoag Hospital Foundation, 330 Placentia Avenue, Suite 100, Newport Beach, CA 92663. Please indicate in memory of Johnny Wedge Scholarship Fund in your memo.

The family looks forward to Johnny's Remember the Rainbow Scholarship Fund reaching \$10,000 as his name will be inscribed on the wall in the "Lucy Curci Memorial Garden" which is located outside on hospital grounds in Newport Beach. The garden is right in front of the Tree of Life where his name will also be on a leaf so his memory and legacy will be well represented at Hoag. The family looks forward to continuous fundraising in Johnny's name so many people may receive financial assistance for treatment and go on to live long and independent lives free from addiction.

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