



## Mr. Dennis J. Little, II

October 9, 1980 - December 13, 2020

Dennis James Little II, died on December 13, 2020 at Chambersburg Hospital in Chambersburg, PA. Dennis was born on October 9, 1980 in Indiana, Pennsylvania to Dennis and Cathy Little. He is survived by his parents, his wife Michelle Leigh Little, their son Jacob and foster daughter Julianna Turner. Additionally, he is survived by his sisters Ginger Kunkel (husband Aron) and Beth Rumer (husband Jared), paternal grandfather David Little and maternal grandmother Anna Garrett, nephews Luke Rumer and Carson Kunkel and niece Eden Rumer. As well as his Aunt-in-law Cindy Caswell and Father-in-law Gilbert Leigh, and many cherished cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Elizabeth "Libby" Little and maternal grandfather, Richard Garrett.

For as long as anyone can remember, Dennis had an interest and a talent to work with computers, and graduated from Shippensburg University in 2003 with a degree in Computer Science. While in college, he worked for Provion and Allenfield Solutions in Carlisle and interned for a summer at Patton Electronics in Gaithersburg, MD. While interning there, he taught himself C++ and designed a system to automate the testing processes of the company, saving the company valuable time and resources.

Dennis later worked for Potential Energy and Royall and Company in Richmond, VA, and Tapestry Technologies in Chambersburg. He has been an invited speaker at Astricon and several other National conferences. where he shared his expertise in internet security and disaster recovery. In 2013, he

started his own business, ReliAvail IT Company and used its success to give back to his local community. In 2018, Dennis was honored to be selected as one of the Central Penn Business Journal's best 40 under 40 business leaders.

Dennis has always been ready, willing, and able to lend his sweat equity and experience in the service of others. Dennis volunteered on occupational advisory boards for two different Career Tech High Schools. In 2019 Dennis founded Benefit Chambersburg, a community-focused serving organization. Dennis regularly volunteered as a youth soccer coach for the past 3 years with his son's soccer team. He also volunteered with a youth mentoring program while living in Richmond, VA.

At the beginning of the pandemic Dennis organized a project to make over 900 face shields for healthcare workers. He designed a low-cost alternative to a 3D printed face shield, organized volunteers to put them together, and finally executed the dispersal to healthcare workers in local nursing homes, Dr's offices, and even some Navy nurses in New York City. He made his face shield design, costs, and instructions public on his website. Dennis' dedication to his career and community were surpassed only by his devotion to his family and friends, who will tell you that Dennis was always the first to step up and help someone in need. His life and kindness truly touched many people. In a final giving act, Dennis was an organ donor and gifted his lungs and kidneys to two other individuals. He will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

A virtual Memorial Service is scheduled for Saturday January 2, 2021 at 11am <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6296358938?pwd=STViNWZZajZMNHdLQ0tQeXFGRlPjZz09>.

In lieu of flowers please donate to Sweet Grace Ministries or contribute to the GoFundme that has been set up to assist his wife and son as a result of his sudden passing.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/because-dennis-was-an-honest-small-businessman-1st?qid=7cd9cb2811995e17ad8816ed93c44562>



# Tribute Wall

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“ Our condolences to the Little Family for your loss. Our prayers are with you. Jim/Mary

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**jim & mary dodrill** - January 02, 2021 at 11:43 AM

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“ I had the privilege of working with Dennis early in his IT career. His sense of humor and willingness to be helpful was obvious then. It seems those qualities grew as he matured in his work and family life. My sympathy to his wife and children as to his parents. Losses are difficult, but those we do not expect and when it is someone who seems to have such a full life, are challenging to accept or understand. Dennis is the kind of person who would say, "keep doing for others and find joy if not for yourself, then in honor of my memory".

*Brenda Lawrence, former director of Family Design Resources,  
Harrisburg*

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**Brenda Lawrence** - January 02, 2021 at 10:50 AM

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“ He was a wonderful neighbor and truly a great father and husband. I always loved seeing him Jacob and Michelle riding there bikes past my house. He would always give a big smile and wave as he worked around his home. I am truly crushed for his family. May he Rest In Peace ❤️❤️

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**Dara Taylor** - December 30, 2020 at 11:39 PM



“ *I had the honor of working with Dennis for several years. He always had a smile on his face and was a pleasure to have come to my office to take care of our IT needs. My deepest condolences to his family.*

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**Valarie Witmer** - December 30, 2020 at 06:04 PM



“ *To Dennis' parents, Cathy and Dennis: Please accept our condolences on the death of your son. He sounds like you raised him to be a wonderful man of whom you will always be proud. We will pray for you and the entire family to find strength to carry on and the peace that passes understanding.*

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**Donna Cupp** - December 30, 2020 at 02:36 PM