

Forever In Our Hearts



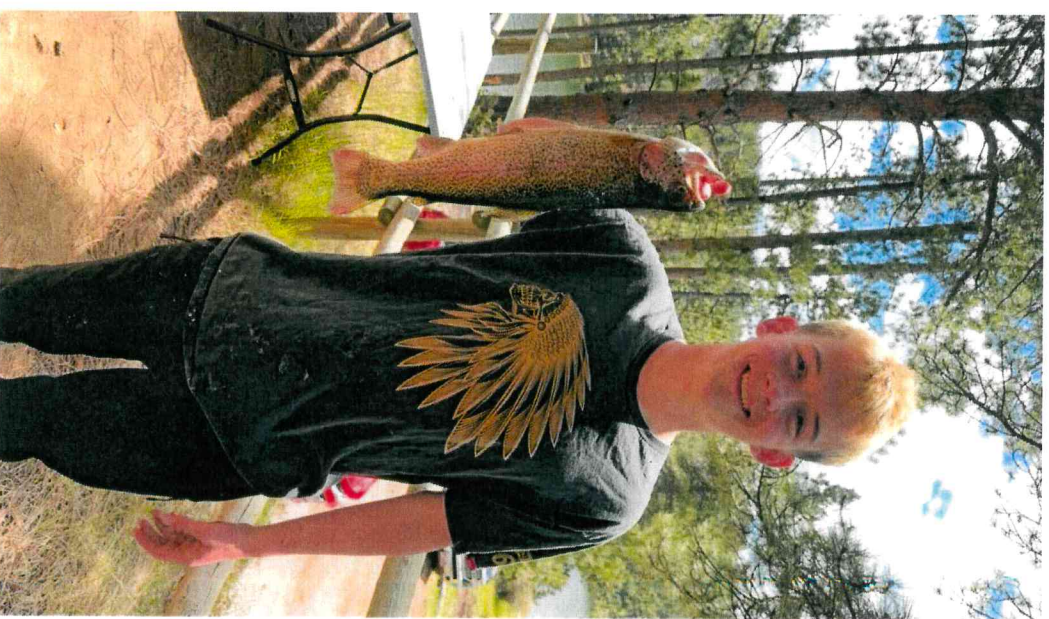
Sawyer Allen Eck was born November 25, 2010 in Cody, Wyoming. He was the loving son of Colton and Mallory (Cruz) Eck. Sawyer just finished his freshman year at the Belle Fourche High School. It didn't take much time to figure out that Sawyer was a natural born athlete. Basketball and football were sports that he was always working on in his off-time. The Denver Broncos were his favorite NFL team and the Minnesota Timberwolves were his favorite NBA team.

Sawyer loved the outdoors.

Whether he was outside shooting hoops, or fishing, he loved being in the fresh air. He also loved video games as most teenagers do. Sawyer had an outgoing personality. To know him was to love him. He was friendly and kind to people, even people just passing by would get a wave out of Sawyer. Relationships in his life were important to him. For the past year he enjoyed his dating relationship with Ralynn Strickland and her family as well. Of course his family relationships were vital to him. His sister Reagan was dear to him, and he loved his mom and dad so much.

Sawyer went home to heaven at the age of 15 on Friday, May 29, 2026 following a tragic event at the Orman Dam near Belle Fourche. He is survived by his parents, Colton and Mallory; his sister, Reagan; maternal grandparents, Robert and Rodni Cruz of Labelle FL, paternal grandparents, Monte and Christine Eck of Powell WY; maternal great grandmother, Carmen Torres of FL; paternal great grandmother, Eleanor Hofer of Laurel MT; aunts and uncles, Ashley (Cody) Rose of Powell WY, Kayla (Randy) Rosato of Spearfish SD, Roberto (Amanda) Cruz of Labelle FL, Max (Tyra) Cruz of Mammoth WY, Charlie Cruz of Labelle FL, and Carley Cruz of Labelle FL.

May God Bless the Memory of Sawyer Allen Eck.



Sawyer Allen Eck

November 25, 2010

May 29, 2026

"The Loan"

"I'll lend you for a little time, a child of mine,"

God said;

For you to love while he lives, and mourn for when he's dead.

It may be six or seven years, or twenty-two or

three

But will you, 'till I call him back, take care of him for Me?

He'll bring his charms to gladden you, and shall his stay be brief,

You'll have his lovely memories, as solace for your grief.

I cannot promise he will stay, since all from earth return,

But there are lessons taught down there, I want this child to learn.

I've looked the wide world over, in my search for teachers true, And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes, I have selected you.

Now will you give him all your love; Not think the labor vain;

Nor hate Me when I come to take him back again?

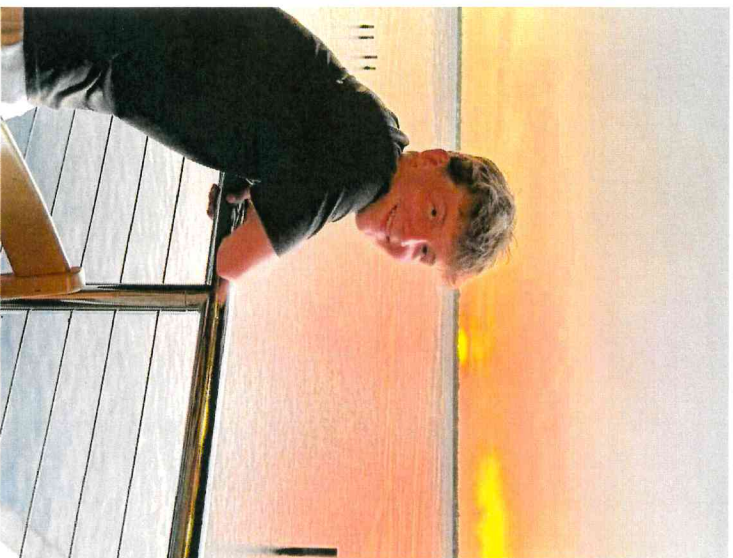
I fancied that I heard them say, "Dear Lord, Thy will be done."

For all the joy Thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we will run.

We'll shelter him with tenderness, we'll love him while we may, And for all the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay.

But shall the angels call him much sooner than we've planned,

We'll brave the bitter grief that comes, and surely understand."



Memorial Service

10:30 A.M. – Friday – June 5, 2026

Connection Church

Belle Fourche, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Stephen Carlson

Music

"Living Hope", "Amazing Grace",

"How Great Thou Art"

Ashton Rone

Worship Pastor

Following the service you are all invited to walk over to the Community Hall for lunch and a time of fellowship.

"Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established." – Proverbs 16:3



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