

Gone Too Soon

We weren't prepared for you to go
You were too full of life to be
Taken away from us so soon
It's still hard to believe

How much we'll miss your smile
And your laughter in our ears
Your absence leaves a hole in us
We're filling with our tears

You taught us how to be our best
To in the moment live
To never hold a grudge for long
And loyal friendship give

Your presence was a light and a joy
We never realized would someday end
Just like the brilliant falling star
That curved 'round heaven's bend

And though we cannot understand
The reasons God took you now
We'll do our best to accept this loss
To carry on somehow...

Focusing on you and your joy in heaven
More than mourning in distress
Smiling through our falling tears
Counting our time with you quite blessed

We will remember you forever
For you, our hearts will always have room
We loved you more than you will ever know
You left us far too soon!

~Author Unknown



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CHAPEL &
CREMATION SERVICES

In Loving Memory of



*Ivan
Poliakovskiy*

February 8, 1990

July 18, 2026

Ivan Poliakovskiy

Ivan Poliakovskiy, 36, of Sedalia, Missouri, passed away on Saturday, July 18, 2026, at Truman Lake near Warsaw, Missouri. He was born on February 8, 1990, in Kodaky, Ukraine, the son of Oleksandr Poliakovskiy, who resides in Ukraine, and Valentyna Zinchenko, who resides in California.

Ivan was a proud graduate of Odesa I. I. Mechnikov National University in Odesa, Ukraine, where he earned a bachelor's degree in physics in 2011. Following his education, he worked as a mechanic aboard cargo ships based out of Ukraine, allowing him to travel throughout the world. He was also a professional welder at sea as well as on land.

While Ivan was at sea, the war in Ukraine began. Seeking safety and a new beginning, he made the courageous decision to relocate to the United States with his mother. Ivan eventually settled in Sedalia, where he pursued his passion for automotive repair and worked as a mechanic at local auto repair shops.

Ivan was outgoing and social and treasured the time he spent with his many friends. He also enjoyed playing video games, through which he developed friendships with people from around the world. An outdoorsman at heart, Ivan appreciated nature and enjoyed spending time outdoors.

Known for his strong work ethic and remarkable technical abilities, Ivan was highly valued by his employers and co-workers. He was a gifted problem-solver who could repair almost anything placed before him. His intelligence, skill, and determination were matched by his kind and generous spirit.

Ivan genuinely cared about others and was always willing to help anyone in need. His warm personality made an immediate impression, and those who met him quickly came to appreciate and admire him. Friends frequently asked about Ivan and how he was doing, a reflection of the many meaningful connections he made throughout his life.

Ivan will be deeply missed by his family, his many friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing and loving him.

In addition to his parents, Ivan is survived by his sister, Nadiia Poliakovska and her husband, Oleksii, of California; three half-siblings; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Lidiia Zinchenko; an uncle, Mykola Vasilitsky; and his paternal grandparents, Vitold Poliakovskiy and Vira Poliakovska.

Funeral Service

10:00 a.m.

Thursday, July 23, 2026

Rea Funeral Chapel

Sedalia, Missouri

Interment

Crown Hill Cemetery

Sedalia, Missouri

Pallbearers

Pavel Shcherbina, Oleksii Kozhukharenko,

Andrii Zenchenko, Petro Kozhukharenko,

Evhenii Kozhukharenko, Mykola Sadovnychyi

Memorial Contributions

To the Family