



## David E. Lahmers Jr.

February 20, 1976 - June 11, 2025

David Earl Lahmers Jr, of Toledo Ohio, son of Rhonda (Wilkins) Lahmers and Dave Lahmers Sr. passed away on June 11, 2025. He was born at The Toledo Hospital on February 20, 1976. He was 49 years old.

He was a lifelong resident of the Toledo area, graduating from Perrysburg High School in 1994 and from the University of Toledo in 2000 with a BA in Communications. He was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Varsity T Club. He was employed by Lott Industries in several positions, the last being a Habtech working with developmentally disabled adults.

David walked with Jesus and his faith was unquestioning. He was a lifetime member of Aldersgate Methodist Church working with the Men's Group, the Youth Program on numerous projects, such as coaching the youth softball team, the annual chicken barbeque, community dinners and he was active in Sunday School. He was also a member of the Aldersgate Golf League where he was known as Junior and loved by all.

David was an avid sports fan from a very young age. At Perrysburg High School he was the Student Basketball Team Manager for four years and was the Assistant Student Manager for the Toledo Rockets for three years under Coaches Hughes and Gibson. His love of sports continued after college where

he followed teams in every sport and attended as many sporting events as he could with his family and friends. He passed away after attending a NASCAR Race with church friends, an annual event he looked forward to every year.

David was always happy and enthusiastic in any activity in which he was involved. He was kind, never spoke badly about others and had a contagious joyful attitude. His willingness to help others in every situation was noticed by all. David always looked forward to family gatherings and loved spending time with his extended family especially at the Annual Ping Pong tournament.

David is survived by his parents, Dave and Rhonda Lahmers; sister, Rachael (Lahmers) McCloskey; brother-in-law, Christian McCloskey; niece and nephew, Kaitlyn and Thomas McCloskey; and niece and goddaughter, Abigail VanderZwan. He was blessed with many aunts, uncles and cousins on both sides of his family.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Morgan and Agnes Wilkins and Earl and Lois Lahmers. He cherished his relationship with all his grandparents and will be laid to rest next to Grandma and Grandpa Wilkins at Ottawa Hills Cemetery.

Visitation will be Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, Toledo from 4-7 PM and at 10 AM on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4030 Douglas Road, Toledo, where A Celebration of Life Service will be at 11 AM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Aldersgate United Methodist Church food pantry.

# Cemetery Details

## Ottawa Hills Memorial Park

4210 Central Ave  
Toledo, OH 43606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Ansberg-West Funeral Home  
3000 W. Sylvania Ave  
Toledo, OH 43613

## Visitation

JUN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Aldersgate United Methodist  
4030 Douglas Rd  
Toledo, OH 43613

## Celebration of Life

JUN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Aldersgate United Methodist  
4030 Douglas Rd  
Toledo, OH 43613



# Tribute Wall

JG

“ So very sorry to hear of Dave's passing. Dave was a very bright light at Lott, to everyone he met. I know there was rejoicing in Heaven over his arrival, but he will be missed here!

*Jill Gosselin*

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**Jill gosselin** - June 26, 2025 at 09:46 AM

ST

“ Still a shock that you have transitioned Dave. I'm glad you got to experience some quality stuff before you left, I'm sure it felt good to your heart to get that last win. Thanks for the work you've put in with the individuals & on yourself. I know They're serving all the best meals in heaven with you, enjoy yourself thoroughly up there. Rest Easy Dave, Rest Easy.



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**Sunny T'aira** - June 24, 2025 at 01:23 PM

MB

“ David was my childhood friend growing up in the '80s, and I'm deeply saddened to hear of his passing. We spent our childhood outdoors, riding bikes and playing every sport or game we could think of. David was always smiling, full of energy, and had a way of making you feel completely at ease. I can't recall a single bad moment with him—he brought a kind of happiness that stays with you. To the Lahmers family, I'm truly sorry for your loss. David will always hold a special place in my heart, filled with the joyful memories we shared as kids.

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**Mark Black** - June 17, 2025 at 01:28 PM

MW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Dave’s passing. I enjoyed working with him at the food pantry at aldersgate. He will surely be missed. I am sorry I won’t be able to come back for his showing today. God bless his family 💔💔💔

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**marianne waite** - June 17, 2025 at 10:13 AM

CL

“ Our family is stunned and saddened to learn of Dave’s passing. I can’t picture Aldersgate without Dave there to give me a hug and make a funny quip. Dave’s life was an inspiration and he set a great example for us to follow. He is the epitome of a good and faithful servant of Christ. Our sympathy to the Lahmers family. Love. Paul, Cindy, Alyssa & Trace Lambrecht

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**Cindy Lambrecht** - June 16, 2025 at 03:35 PM

AF

“ I really hate writing this because Dave was a special kind of awesome. He was about as genuine and kind of a soul as you could hope to find. He was the definition of "loyal" and I don't think I'll ever meet another sports fan who cares more deeply about his teams than Dave did about the Yellow Jackets and Rockets. Beyond that, though, Dave was loyal to people. He was an unfailingly good person who was a friendly face anywhere he showed up. My thoughts are with the Lahmers family and the entire Perrysburg community. Dave made me appreciate friends, family and my hometown in ways that will stay with me forever.

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**Andy Ferguson** - June 16, 2025 at 02:09 PM

FB

*During the 25 years that I've known Dave his joy and sense of humor made our conversations the bright spot of my day. I'll never forget the times we shared at UT games, golfing together, and ushering Together at Aldersgate. I'm so thankful for those memories and for his friendship. He will be greatly missed. My sympathy to Dave and Rhonda and the rest of his family.*

Floyd Bell - June 17, 2025 at 12:20 PM

GM

*“ I was shocked to find out about Dave this morning. He was such a great guy, and I know I'll see him again. We had so many good conversations at College Life, Rockets games, and hanging out wherever. I had just been thinking of him the other day, thinking of the time he invited me when his uncle gave him his tickets to the Glass Bowl press tower when Toledo managed to upset number 9 Pittsburgh.*

Greg Marcum - June 15, 2025 at 10:35 PM

LF

*“ I was heart broken when I received the news of David's passing. He was a kind gentle giant. He loved his job at Lott and the individuals he worked with. His passion for sports, we would talk about Caitlyn Clark and the rivalry with AR (I won't mention her name because he didn't like to hear or say her name 😊), football , and his love for the Toledo Rockets and Ohio State!  
While it seems too soon for David to be gone and his family and friends are grieving his loss,I know God has other plans for him!  
Prayers to the Lahmers family. Rest peacefully David.*



Laurie Fountain - June 14, 2025 at 01:10 PM

DU

*I worked with Dave at Sneed landscaping he was good guy sorry for your loss*

**Dave's ueberroth** - June 17, 2025 at 03:15 PM

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“*Dave was my favorite part of Sunday as well as youth group growing up. When I was little I used to tease him and call him “Dave the barbarian princess dragon” and he would always have me say “Dave’s getting frustergated again” when we did the softball league. He had a huge heart and a king soul. He will be missed greatly.*”

**Autumn Vrabel (Flory)** - June 14, 2025 at 12:50 PM

TM

“*Dave always had a smile at work! I enjoyed our conversations about Ohio State football and our competitive discussions about UT versus BG :-)* He will be greatly missed at Lott. A big heart and a gentle spirit!!”

**Tim Menke** - June 14, 2025 at 12:24 PM

TL

“*I knew David from transportation LCBofDD he'd was a bus monitor who carefully assisted the people off the bus at Holland Rd Adult Services. Always smiling and so kind. I really got to know him when he came inside Holland Rd as a supervisor to serve our individuals. In the summer months we'd have 4 individuals and ourselves in the county vehicle and go out to Oak Openings Park and clean up the trails. Some of the best memories I nicknamed him Sugar. He'd smile and turn bright red but he was the sweetest, kindness man I had ever known. He was like an adopted little brother to me. Good bye Sugar until we meet again. ❤️😊 My condolences to the family,he was definitely raised by some good parents and family.*”

**Tammy Lumbrezer** - June 14, 2025 at 12:01 AM

SK

“ Rest in peace Stallion.

Steve Kimble - June 13, 2025 at 08:56 PM

CM

“ I am heartbroken to read this. Dave was a legend at Perrysburg High School! It was always a pleasure to see him in adulthood at the games! I also enjoyed his sports posts about Toledo. Always, the friendliest, sweetest person to run into. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Cindy Mikolajewski - June 13, 2025 at 08:19 PM

 Mike  
Lenix

“ David was a good friend that I knew from Fellowship of Christian Athletes. We always talked about sports... He will be missed.

Mike Lenix - June 13, 2025 at 07:32 PM

CS

“ David was a good friend. David and I took some People from Lott to MIS for Qualifying a couple times. He even went with us Older Women a few times. We would have so much fun rooting for our favorite Drivers. Sending prayers for his Family. David you will be missed.

Carol Shoemaker - June 13, 2025 at 07:15 PM

MW

“ I knew Dave in college through our involvement with College Life. He was very passionate about sports! Go Rockets!! And he always made me feel important and noticed when he greeted me. He was serious about the people and teams he was loyal to. Even long after we graduated, he'd drop me messages from time to time to check in and see how I was doing. I'm sad to know he's gone, but will see him in eternity.

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**Mandi Wood** - June 13, 2025 at 06:06 PM

DS

“ My most cherished memory of David Jr. was when he played softball with me and the rest of Aldersgate's church softball team. He always showed up and was eager to get in the game or coach or whatever we needed to make the team a success. He was with us on several championship teams we were privileged to win. After many of the team moved on, David took up the reins and continued to provide opportunities for the youth at the church to develop the love of sports and good sportsmanship. I am sorry for the loss of this fine young man and my condolences go out to the family. His Christian belief has assured me that he is coaching the team in Heaven and watching over all of us. I am proud to have known this fine young man. Daniel Sanders

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**Daniel Sanders** - June 13, 2025 at 05:41 PM

SR

*We have so many memories of David, Jr. We were good friends with him and his extended family. We all went to church together. He was a lover of sports. But I think of him as The Man of Puns! He was a pun master.*

*When our son, Chris Ruddell, graduated from college, he came back to Toledo to work. He and David were roommates in an apartment in Perrysburg. When David's mom visited them, she would clean for them. When I visited, I bought food for them.*

*David was a great guy. He will be sorely missed. Sending our love and prayers to the family.*

*Sherry Ruddell*

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**Sherry Ruddell** - June 13, 2025 at 08:58 PM