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Obituary for Dakota Tyler McGrath

Our beloved Dakota Tyler McGrath, 35, died in his sleep of a possible heart attack on May 21, 2018 after a valiant battle with despair and addiction. Dakota was full of life and full of fire. He could often be found having a great adventure, even if it was only within the city. A lover of fun times, he lived on the edge, and persuaded others to do so as well. He loved hockey, skydiving, golf, mountain biking, rock climbing, and camping – even in the dead of winter. Above all he loved guns and anything that exploded!

He was never afraid to push the limit and he was always the strongest person present. Self-proclaimed as “the fun guy, the bad word guy, and sometimes the mean guy” Dakota was always there when someone needed him, whether it be to have fun, get advice, or to be by their side. Dakota left behind 4 loving brothers, a loving sister, aunts, uncles, cousins, his parents, stepfather, maternal grandparents and many friends.

We are grateful to all those who were kind to Dakota. In his memory we invite kindness, especially to those who struggle with mental illness and homelessness.

In memory of Dakota please donate to the Homeless Gear & The Murphy Center <http://homelessgear.org/donatenow/> and to the Colorado Chapter of the National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI), Family To Family program via Public Service Credit Union #0200335427 under the name Dakota McGrath Memorial.

A memorial service is scheduled for June 18, 2018 at Our Savior Lutheran Church 2000 South Lemay Avenue in Ft. Collins at 5:30 pm in the church, followed by dinner, a video memorial and visiting. Please join us to celebrate his bright and powerful life.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Dakota Tyler McGrath please visit our Sympathy Store.

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