

In loving memory and celebration of the life of

Gregory Douglas Cardarelli

March 31, 1987 — March 22, 2004

Gregory means watchful one. That was Greg—always looking out for everyone else. Always pitching in to help because that was what he loved to do. He had a heart of gold and was always willing to share it with everyone.

In his short almost 17 years on this earth, Greg knew more about what made things work than most grown men. He could work on any car, hook up any computer or electronic device, completely wire a house for a sound or phone system—you name it and he would figure out how to do it. Friends of his Dad hired Greg to install stereo systems in their cars or hook-up audio/video systems in their homes. He was truly happiest when he was working on something with his hands.

There is another side of Greg that a lot of people (we now know) saw in him. He was a very giving, caring, thoughtful, and unselfish person. He would offer to help people he barely knew if he thought he could. During his last year of school he was in a technical program and instead of just being there to learn, he wound up more in the role of teacher's assistant, helping his fellow students. He would share his knowledge with his schoolmates and they were always amazed at what he knew and would constantly look to him for guidance.

Greg was in scouting his entire school career, from Tiger Cub in first grade to Life Scout when he died. He loved the outdoors and scouting was certainly a way he could fulfill his passion. He excelled in hiking, biking, skiing, swimming, canoeing, white-water rafting, sailing and snorkeling. If it could be done outdoors, he was there in a heartbeat! The Scout Law is a positive affirmation of how we should live our lives: A scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent. It is a wonderful code of conduct. Greg was all of these, but most of all he was Brave and Loyal to his family and friends.

Greg, You amazed us with your brilliance and captivated us with your smile and big heart. Never was a boy more loved or missed. Until we meet again, may you rest in the comfort of God's hands.

Dad, Mom and Nicole

