



## Obituary

**Born:** Sunday, September 28, 1997

**Died:** Sunday, January 27, 2019

Preston – Nicholas Dennis Dufresne, 21, passed away Sunday, January 27, 2019 in Newport, RI.

He was born September 28, 1997 in Hartford, CT son to Dennis Dufresne of Preston and the late Carol (O'Brien) Dufresne.

Nicholas was very active as a child and was practically running and climbing before he could walk. He was happiest in the outdoors, exploring and getting dirty. That energy translated into a love of sports, especially lacrosse, which he played at Norwich Technical High School. While attending he quickly found that he really enjoyed HVAC. Nicholas decided to make it his trade and worked hard at it. He was working for Broad Brook Heating and Cooling. When not working he was often gaming, another hobby of his. Above all else Nicholas loved his family. He always looked forward to the gatherings of his large family.

Besides his father Dennis and his partner Robin Donais he is survived by his sister Melissa Do Couto and her husband Kevin, his paternal grandmother Alice Allaire Halunen, maternal grandfather Joseph George O'Brien and his partner Mary Souza, paternal aunts Diana Beaulieu and her husband Steve, Donna Dufresne LaFrancois, Debra Kunovic and her husband Thomas, paternal uncles David Dufresne and his wife Lori, and Daniel Dufresne and his wife Kim, maternal aunts Jackie O'Brien, Sue Bagdonis and her husband Glenn, Janet Girard and her husband Jerome, Joan Dextraze and her husband David, maternal uncles Larry O'Brien and his wife Kathleen, John O'Brien and his wife Andrea and many cousins.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Nicholas' memory to Mental Health of CT 61 S. Main Street, Ste, 100 West Hartford, CT 06107.

Calling hours will be held Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 10:00AM-12:00PM at the Gagne Piechowski Funeral Home 490 Voluntown Road Jewett City, CT. A memorial service will immediately follow at 12:00PM. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. For online condolences please go to [www.gagnepiechowski.com](http://www.gagnepiechowski.com)

Charitable donations may be made in Nicholas's memory to the following organization:

### **Mental Health of CT**

Attn: Jacquilyn Davis

61 S. Main Street, Ste 100 West Hartford, CT 06107

Tel: (860)529-1970

## Service Summary

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### **Visitation**

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Sat Feb 09, 2019

### **Gagne-Piechowski Funeral Home**

490 Voluntown Road  
Jewett City, CT 06351

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### **Funeral Service**

12:00 PM Sat Feb 09, 2019

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