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December 10, 2001 - October 13, 2024

It is with profound sadness that we announce on October 13, 2024, Rachel Macaylee Turner, 22, succumbed to injuries suffered as a result of being struck by a vehicle. Rachel was born in Toronto on December 10, 2001, to loving parents Susan and Leon. Two years later, younger brother Nathan arrived, followed by baby sister Lauren in 2005. The three siblings were constant companions, sharing a love for the beach, the zoo and Lynde Shores, where they enjoyed feeding the birds together. Always an animal lover, Rachel adored her cat Jax and dog Piper.

Rachel's ambition, determination and inquisitive nature drove her to impressive academic achievements and set the stage for limitless future success. She attended Balmy Beach, Glen Ames and Malvern Collegiate. Along with starting the Malvern Business Council and playing hockey and lacrosse, she discovered her love for travel on a school trip to Japan. She went on to visit more than 20 countries in her lifetime.

Upon graduation from Malvern she attended Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, majoring in Business Administration with a co-op option, and minoring in Political Science. Rachel made the most of her university

experience, participating in many clubs and activities. Among her favourites were Laurier's student-run Mighty Hawks program, where she helped prepare young adults with developmental challenges to gain employment, and the Minor League Summer Baseball League, or MLSB. She loved the last summer she spent in Waterloo as one of the Commissioners of the league.

Following graduation from Laurier, Rachel chose to travel again before beginning her career. It was during this time that she met her soulmate, Matt. In January of this year, the young couple took a leap of faith in their new relationship, embarking on the trip of a lifetime – a seven-month journey to Australia, New Zealand and Southeast Asia. This was the best decision of their lives. Rachel came home from the trip the happiest she had ever been. Their true love shines through in every smile, in every picture.

With the love of her life set, Rachel was planning for the future. Along with studying for the GMAT and setting up to pursue her MBA, Rachel was quite passionate about practicing mindfulness through journaling, meditation and yoga. She enjoyed going to the gym and loved to cook, bake and read. Rachel also limited her exposure to social media and encouraged others to do the same. She championed living in the moment, and would strike up a conversation with anybody. She recognized the value of human interaction and sought out the good in everyone.

Rachel was predeceased by her grandparents Judy and Gordon.

Survived by her adoring grandparents Cecelia and John; her aunts and uncles Leila and Ray, Anne and Bill, Sheila and Tom, Brian and Cheryl, and Julie and Grant; her cousins Matthew, Megan, Eric, Braden, Carly, Ryan, Chloe, Isabella, Reid, Ella and Kai.

The Turner family would like to express its deep gratitude to Dr. Goffi, RNs

Emily R. and Emily B. and all of the doctors, nurses and support staff on the 9th Floor at St. Michael's Hospital. Thank you for your immense kindness and empathy during the final stage of Rachel's life.

Rachel was an intelligent, kind, caring, thoughtful and selfless soul. Her final selfless act was signing her organ donor card so that five families could be saved.

To our precious Rachel, we are so immensely proud of you and our love for you will never fade. We miss you everyday.

A celebration of life for family and friends will be held at The Balmy Beach Club on Monday, October 21st at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, a GoFundMe page has been set up to establish The Rachel Turner Legacy Fund. The purpose of the fund is to ensure Rachel's generous spirit and empathy lives on by helping to provide resources and needed support, including crisis counseling, to young people. Money raised will be donated to organizations doing the great work Rachel would have done and to causes she would have supported. Your contribution will help to ensure that Rachel Turner will continue to have a positive impact on people in need at the most vulnerable formative stages of their young lives.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/Rachel-Turner-Legacy-Fund>

Tribute Wall

TH

“ Dear Susan ,Leon , Nathan , and Lauren,
We were shocked and saddened when we heard about Rachel. You must all be in a state of disbelief and I'm sorry you are experiencing this unimaginable loss. I'm happy to hear Rachel lived her life to the fullest and will always have that bright smile and lively spirit. We send our warmest thoughts and support to you all. Thulan, and Samuel, Jack and Lara Pearson

Thulan Hokim - October 23, 2024 at 08:33 PM

MN

“ To Leon, Susan, Nathan and Lauren, There are no words that I can say to you all on the tragic loss in your family..Rachel, your wings are taking you to your next journey. There are many fond memories of you when you were in our office over the years. Your first visit was in 2005. You were a wee girl with pigtails and you were reserved. Over the years I was honored to see you grow up and chat on a personal level about the dynamics of family and independence. Your spirit lives on with all of those that you touched. You are in our hearts and will be missed. Margaret -Dr.Barry Lever's office.

Margarita Ng - October 23, 2024 at 07:32 PM

AP

“ Dear Leon, Susan, Nathan, and Lauren, words cannot express how sorry I am for your loss. Having the pleasure of teaching Rachel, I bore witness to her brilliance, confidence, determination, and her indomitable spirit. She made the world a better place. My deepest condolences.

Anthony Parise

Anthony Parise - October 21, 2024 at 08:57 AM

AJ

“ *Deepest condolences.....heart breaking. Our thoughts are with you and your family.*

Andy Johnstone - October 21, 2024 at 05:46 AM

ES

“ *We are so deeply saddened by your loss, words are inadequate to express our sorrow. Thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. Our deepest condolences.*
Rita and Enrico Sgromo

Enrico Sgromo - October 20, 2024 at 11:03 AM



“ *Condolences to her family*



Carson Loveless - October 20, 2024 at 11:01 AM



“ *I did not know Rachel very well. We were coworkers for just a short time, but just from those few interactions with her it's not surprising reading here all the amazing things she's achieved in her life. She was so full of life and had the most positive attitude even when things at work were overwhelming. My deepest condolences to her friends and family during this tragic time*

Bianca Peterkin - October 19, 2024 at 10:52 AM

GA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Although words can't ease your grief, please know that my thoughts are with you during this time.



Gayle - October 18, 2024 at 01:36 PM

KS

“ I wasn't a student at malvern for very long. However, for the time I spent there I was always around Rachel. I spent every morning in gr.10 gym class with her. We always messed around and did things like cartwheels instead of doing what we were supposed to do. We spent lunches together where we were always making each other laugh and joking around. She truly made that school bearable. I remember the times we spent at her house for lunch and I'll cherish every memory I have with her. Rest in peace angel. We will see you again ❤️

Karis Stark - October 18, 2024 at 10:09 AM

SR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our deepest sympathies to your family.....Doug Poad and Susan Ross.

Susan Ross - October 18, 2024 at 09:16 AM



“ Just read this tragic news. Our deepest condolences to you Leon and Family.

Dean Mifsud - October 18, 2024 at 08:48 AM

AW

“ Rachel was the reason I broke out of my shell and pushed me to join multiple clubs and teams with her at Malvern. I am eternally grateful for her, not only encouraging me to be confident and do the things I love and am passionate about, but also for the memories her and I made together in the process. Rest in Peace Rach, your memory will live on for eternity❤️

Abigail Wakeman - October 17, 2024 at 11:19 PM

RB

“ I am so very, very sorry for your loss. There are no words that can soothe such pain. Rachel was clearly a bright light, loved by all, as these tributes attest! My heart goes out to you, Leon, your wife, and whole family. My sincerest condolences.

Rebecca Burton - October 17, 2024 at 06:03 PM

NM

I did not have the honour to have known Rachel. However, the mccleverty family feel connected through their friendship with Leon through St. John's hockey and Amy through close friendship with Leila. So very sorry.

norma mccleverty - October 21, 2024 at 12:26 PM

NF

“ Leon, Susan and Family, Our heartfelt condolences. We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with you... Nadia, Jackson and Lucas Arender

Nadia Forbes - October 17, 2024 at 04:59 PM

LM

“ My deepest, heart felt condolences to Susan, Leon, Nathan and Lauren for the devastating loss of your beautiful Rachel.

Lori McCubbin - October 17, 2024 at 04:40 PM

DR

“ Dear Leon, Sue, Nate, and Lauren, We are beyond devastated for your immense loss. We don't even know what to say except that you are in our hearts. May her memory be a blessing.

Dvorah Richler - October 17, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JA

“ Leon & family, and Leila & family;
We are so very sorry for your loss of Rachel. Such a bright light has been dimmed, but her accomplishments and kindness will forever be remembered. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. John and Laura Altilia

John & Laura Altilia - October 17, 2024 at 04:26 PM

GA

Upon reading this and all the wonderful things you did
Touching people's lives
I wish I could have met her
I am sending my heart felt condolences to you all
What a beautiful woman with a heart of gold
God bless you all 🙏🏻

Gaynor - October 17, 2024 at 05:36 PM

DA

“ I walked onto the Malvern lacrosse field as a weird, loud, and overly confident grade 9. The team was full of rep girls who already knew each other and had been playing for years. We loved the sport but we definitely didn't take it overly serious because we all shared the love for the game and would practice outside of school together. That's when I had the pleasure of meeting Rachel. She was one of the only NON-rep lax girls who made the Malvern A team. Which, was very difficult to make as a non-player. Rachel had this ability to make the sport fresh, new, and fun. She was the happiest on the field. Cheered EVERY single person on and off the field. She really left a huge impact on me. She even took me under her wing as a grade 9 and her, a cool grade 12. I got to know her on and off the field. She made me feel seen, loved, and recognized in every room I was in. I miss her very much and hope I can do the same thing she did for me when I meet new people. I am sending so much love and prayers to her family during this difficult time. Rest in peace Rachel.

Danielle - October 17, 2024 at 03:44 PM

DC

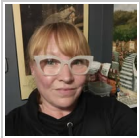
“ MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO YOU LEON AND YOUR FAMILY.
DOMENIC AND ADRIAN CRISTIANO

Domenic Cristiano - October 17, 2024 at 02:13 PM



“ *The immense sorrow you must feel. No one can take it from you, as is, none can truly take the soul of your daughter. She is forever there with you in spirit. This is not just talk. It is what is believed by many. You don't need this now, but in future, please look up a book, Proof of Life after Life by Dr Raymond Moody. The other book is David Kessler, Turning pain into Purpose which is what you're doing with her Legacy fund. I am a grief Educator, this is not an ad, but I just wanted you to know why I am posting this to you. All from my heart. My sons all went to the same schools. I am very sorry for your loss. But I know your daughter during her life had already earned her wings. God bless you all now as you move forward.*

cindy Monk -fuller - October 17, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ *Tracy Moore lit a candle in memory of Rachel Turner*



Tracy Moore - October 17, 2024 at 01:12 PM