



Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly

February 13, 1974 - May 15, 2017

Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly

Rockville, MD – Funeral Services for Matthew Thomas Reilly, PhD, 43, of Rockville, MD, who passed away on May 15, 2017, will be conducted Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from the Posey Funeral Chapel. Pastor David B. Hunter, Sr. officiating. Interment will follow in Westover Memorial Park.

Matthew was born February 13, 1974 to Thomas Adam Reilly and Mim Louise Reilly in Augusta, GA. He graduated from North Augusta High School. After high school, he attended the College of Charleston where he received degrees in Chemistry and Psychology and was on the swim team. He received a PhD in Neuroscience from Oregon Health Sciences University and did Post Docs at the University of Queensland in Australia and the University of Texas in Austin. He was an Assistant Professor at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. For the past nine years, Matthew has been a Program Officer at the National Institutes of Health, Division of Neuro Science and Behavior where he has authored numerous papers and publications.

Matthew was passionate about music and loved to play the guitar. He had a large collection of guitars and amplifiers. He also like to scuba dive and dove

in many places including Australia, Hawaii, and the Galapagos. Matthew also loved animals, especially his beloved, rescued dog, Lucky.

Matthew is survived by his parents, a sister, Elizabeth Reilly of Charleston, SC and a brother, Paul Reilly of Greer, SC and his wife Jenny Reilly. He is also survived by a niece, Madeline, a nephew, Andrew, cousins, aunts and uncles.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday evening from 5 until 7.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to an animal rescue at, Molly's Militia, P.O. Box 6816, North Augusta, SC 29861.

Cemetery Details

Westover Memorial Park

2601 Wheeler Road
Augusta, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 23. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors
1307 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC

Service

MAY 24. 10:00 AM (ET)

Posey Funeral Chapel
1307 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC 29841

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *So many wishes for continued comfort and peace for the family. <3 I was blessed and honored to have a little time with Matthew and Lucky in 2013-2014. I miss him, miss Lucky, miss the joy and passion he had for his guitars. Grateful, blessed, and sending lots of continued prayers and love <3 Becca*

Becca Beights - August 07, 2018 at 05:00 PM



“ *I have just found this site after a search for Matthew on FB...he attended the Lutheran Church of St Andrew Brisbane City, where I was the Pastor for many years. This was when Matt was in Australia at the University of Queensland. My wife and I had him at our home for a meal and we had a number of chats. My deepest sympathy to his family and friends.*

Stephen G. Nuske - March 04, 2018 at 03:58 AM

AR

“ Only heard now about Matt's passing. And very sorry to hear! Matt was the PO on two of my grants, and I always enjoyed our lengthy chats. He was always helpful and supportive, and gave great constructive advice. Met him a few times at meetings too, and it was always a delight.
I know he loved the blues. That is what I'll put on now... To you Matt! I'll be missing you.

Adrian Rothenfluh - August 22, 2017 at 12:35 PM

BI

“ Billie lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Billie - May 28, 2017 at 08:38 AM

IP

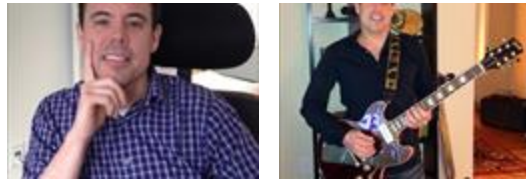
“ Igor Ponomarev lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Igor Ponomarev - May 24, 2017 at 02:42 PM

TG

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Tom Greenwell - May 23, 2017 at 03:44 PM

SC

“ Matt was a wonderful Program Director! We at the Institute of Neuroimmune Pharmacology, Seton Hall University will always remember Matt and his introducing LINCS to our studies!



Sulie Chang - May 23, 2017 at 02:21 PM

TG

“ Tom and Mim and family, I am so sorry to have heard the news of Matt's passing. I am still in pain and shock and I can only imagine how you feel. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this tough time. Matt was a good friend of mine the past 8 years, and I will always treasure the moments we shared.

Tom Greenwell - May 23, 2017 at 12:55 PM

AN

“ Antonio Noronha lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Antonio Noronha - May 23, 2017 at 10:35 AM

AN

I am deeply saddened to hear about the passing of my colleague, friend, and an accomplished young and talented scientist --Matthew Reilly. To Matt's parents and family, please accept my deepest sympathies for your loss and my thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Antonio Noronha - May 23, 2017 at 10:46 AM

SR

To Matthew's family, I am very sorry for your loss. I had the good fortune to live with Matt when we first started out at OHSU in Portland. We studied together, made meals together and learned how to become independent scientists together. You get to know a person when you share late nights cramming for exams and swapping stories. He is a kind and gentle soul that I was lucky enough to share time with. I will miss him very much. Warmly, Siobhan Robinson

Siobhan Robinson - June 20, 2017 at 05:45 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 23, 2017 at 09:19 AM

DH

“ *Debbie Hendry lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Debbie Hendry - May 23, 2017 at 06:06 AM

CC

“ *Christine Cieplinski lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Christine Cieplinski - May 23, 2017 at 02:26 AM

MK

“ *Maria Kolevas lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Maria Kolevas - May 23, 2017 at 02:25 AM

CH

“ *It was heartfelt sadness that Matt passed away! Matt was a great colleague and always gave unreserved help to others. His passion to science and dedication to his work influence many of us. I cherish memories of many moments that Matt shared about his passion, creative thinking, hobbies... My deepest sympathy goes out to Matt's family!*

Changhai - May 22, 2017 at 10:31 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 22, 2017 at 09:37 PM

Keri
Matthews

“ I am deeply saddened and sorry to hear about Matthew, and my heart breaks for his loving and amazing family! The world has lost a very loving, kind, funny, and sweet soul way too young. I have happy memories of Matthew from our childhood, of our kindergarten graduation in my pink dress and him in his suit, playing at Hammond Hill Elementary, swim team, our annual New Year's Eve gathering with his family at our house, being in the same classes throughout High School. He was very smart, funny, quiet, and kind. He was an honest, good, all around likable guy. He will truly be missed. Our love, prayers, and hearts go out to the Reilly family.



Keri Matthews - May 22, 2017 at 08:01 PM

BI

“ My heart, my prayers and my tears go out to Matt's family. Compared to many on this post I knew him briefly and barely and cannot begin express the sorrow I feel for the loss of him. I wrote 10 short notes on pieces of paper, tied them to balloons and released them at my parents' cabin. Matt had wanted to come out with me some weekend because I mentioned I could see the ISS. Somehow I feel he would have loved it. I hope you're at peace among the stars Matt – I am sorry that I won't get the chance to really know you, and to the Reilly family, my deepest sympathies.

billie - May 22, 2017 at 02:09 PM

CC

“ *Changhai Cui lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Changhai Cui - May 22, 2017 at 12:01 PM

SS

“ *Heather, Courtney and I share so many beautiful memories of living next door with all of you many years ago in North Augusta!! All 5 of you played so well together when you were young. We loved Matthew so much. He was adorable and so sweet!! Elizabeth was Heather's sweet best friend during these tender young innocent years!!! Matthew and Paul were the big brother's of the gang. Matthew was a bright star that is gone much too soon. I pray boldly for this great loss. We have a special ANGEL IN HEAVEN NOW. Our love to all of you! 🙏🙏🙏💖*

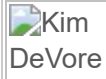
Sherry Shove - May 21, 2017 at 10:00 PM

DG

“ *I've been friends with Matt for 22 years. He has always been there for me and me for him. Words can't describe how much I'll miss him. My sincerest sympathies for Tom, Mim, Paul and Elizabeth. Love, Doug Gilmer*



Doug Gilmer - May 21, 2017 at 05:29 PM



Kim DeVore

This captures the essence of Matt's life

Kim DeVore - May 21, 2017 at 11:37 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 21, 2017 at 12:47 PM



“ *Lynn lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Lynn - May 21, 2017 at 10:14 AM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*

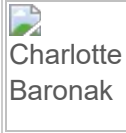


May 21, 2017 at 10:02 AM



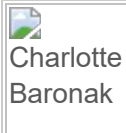
“ *To The Reilly Family, we are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, The Lykins Family*

Karrie Lykins - May 21, 2017 at 08:45 AM



“ To the Reilly family,
 So sorry for your loss. I pray you will find peace and strength in our Lord.
 Lovingly, Charlotte Schmehl Baronak

Charlotte Baronak - May 20, 2017 at 09:27 PM



“ To the Reilly family,
 So sorry for your loss. I pray our Lord will give you peace and strength.
 Fondly, Charlotte Schmehl Baronak

Charlotte Baronak - May 20, 2017 at 09:11 PM

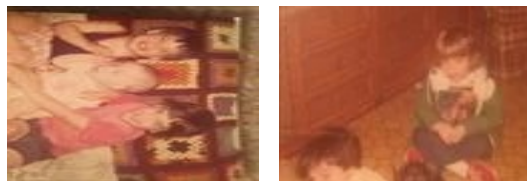


“ To the Reilly family, sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Praying for strength and peace for you all.

Cindy Norvell - May 20, 2017 at 07:41 PM



“ To my younger older brother, wish I could FaceTime just one more time and listen to you play the guitar and sing. I promise to take care of some of your most prized possessions. Hopefully one day, you will be able to listen to me play some of your favorite songs. I Love You!



Elizabeth Reilly - May 20, 2017 at 05:29 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 20, 2017 at 04:05 PM



“ *John Matochik lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



John Matochik - May 20, 2017 at 12:28 PM



In memory of my colleague Matt a donation to an appropriate organization has been made. I will miss him greatly.

John Matochik - May 20, 2017 at 12:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 20, 2017 at 11:33 AM

MS

“ *Mariela Shirley lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Mariela Shirley - May 19, 2017 at 03:51 PM

IG

“ *Ivana Grakalic lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Ivana Grakalic - May 19, 2017 at 01:58 PM

FG

“ *Frann Gallogly lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Frann Gallogly - May 19, 2017 at 01:34 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly.*



May 19, 2017 at 10:18 AM

QL

“ Qi-Ying Liu lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Qi-Ying Liu - May 19, 2017 at 09:50 AM

VW

“ Veronica Wilson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Veronica Wilson - May 19, 2017 at 09:43 AM

RQ

“ My heartfelt sympathies to Matt's family and friends. We always talked about what our dogs did while we were at work. I'll never forget him asking me, "You ride a Harley! Like with a bunch of biker dudes?" Always curious, always questioning. He will be missed by many throughout the National Institutes of Health.



Rachel Quade - May 19, 2017 at 09:42 AM

AH

“ Angie Healy lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Angie Healy - May 19, 2017 at 09:40 AM

JF

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Judy Fox, NIAAA



Judy Fox - May 19, 2017 at 09:29 AM

KS

“ *Kamilah Scott lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Kamilah Scott - May 19, 2017 at 09:26 AM

FD

“ *Rest in Peace, Matt, and condolences to the Reilly family*

Fred Donodeo - May 19, 2017 at 09:21 AM

JS

“ *Julie Simonds lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Julie Simonds - May 19, 2017 at 09:20 AM

JG

“ I worked with Matt in DNB and I helped him move some furniture in his house. I remember he would love to talk about scuba diving and taking pictures underwater. I know he was extremely smart and was always willing to help others. I know he was proud when he bought his house in Rockville and took me on a tour and explained all the different things he wanted to do with his home. He also showed me his guitars and talked about fixing up old Amplifiers. I am sorry for the family's loss. He will be missed by everyone who knew him at NIAAA.



Deepest Sympathies,

Jamie Greuber

Jamie Greuber - May 19, 2017 at 09:19 AM

BX

“ Ben Xu lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Ben Xu - May 19, 2017 at 09:13 AM

LM

“ Lynn Morin lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly



Lynn Morin - May 19, 2017 at 09:10 AM

MR

“ *Megan Ryan lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Megan Ryan - May 19, 2017 at 09:03 AM

KK

“ *I remember Matt. asking Denny to help him learn more about playing the guitar...and I remember him coming to our house and "jammin'" with Denny. I remember him hugging me every single time and say, "thanks for the 'hook-up" with your husband! I'm pretty sure he wasn't a huge hugger...so...I am thankful and grateful...for those hugs...*

Kathy Kotz - May 18, 2017 at 04:50 PM

EM

“ *Erin Manor lit a candle in memory of Dr. Matthew Thomas Reilly*



Erin Manor - May 18, 2017 at 02:41 PM

MG

“ *My daughter and Matt were good friends in high school. I took Buff, Matt, and Rachel to see a couple of bands at a club on Washington Road. They had to be accompanied by an adult, and I got talked into it. I had so much fun watching the three of them have fun. Matt was such a quiet and respectful young man. Buff thought the world of him. I am so very sorry for your loss.*

Melba Good - May 17, 2017 at 12:52 PM