

## **David George Carafos**

**1/24/1981 – 9/7/2004**

**David George Carafos** was born January 24, 1981, 10 weeks premature and started our life as a family. After some close calls and operations, we “busted” him out of Rochester General Hospital on June 1st, and brought him home.

At a young age, David’s helping caring personality came through, whether helping his mother in the kitchen or his father with household repairs (even caring for his parents that were sick with food poisoning).

David’s love of animals, food, sports, music, and hats developed over the years. The NY State Fair became a yearly family journey. We would view the different animals and exhibits while eating from one end of the fair to the other, watching for any deals on baseball hats. David’s hat collection grew with him to over 200 hats, some from as far away as Switzerland and Australia. The draft horses were always his favorite to watch in the Coliseum.

David enjoyed sports and was the statistician for 5 years for the Hilton Cadet football team. David loved the Syracuse Orange, the Buffalo Bills, and the Chicago Bulls. He became a WWF fan and an avid video gamer. David had a wide range of musical interests from Mariah Carey (his favorite) to Metallica. In high school, David enrolled in Food Service at WEMOCO giving a lot of formal training to his developing cooking skills. He also began learning how to make some of his Greek favorites from his grandmother.

As David grew older, his caring of others showed in many ways: sharing his lunch with others who didn’t have one, giving rides to co-workers, and just being friendly to brighten up people’s day.

David became a proud owner of a Jeep Cherokee, which he customized with flames, often having his dog Zack along for the ride. While working at Kodak and Home Depot, David acquired his own circle of friends as a young adult, while remaining buddies with us, his mother and father.

David enjoyed life and helped others around him enjoy life, with his giving personality, wonderful smile, and contagious laugh.

We miss him as a son, friend, and one of our “Three Musketeers”.

**We Love You David**

**Mom and Dad**

