



Ethan Garrett Goolsby

September 17, 2000 - December 10, 2020

Ethan Garrett Goolsby, 20, entered into eternal rest while serving at sea with the United States Navy aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt. He was born in San Antonio, Texas and resided here until his departure to the Navy on November 18th of 2019. He is survived by his parents, Kelly & Michelle Goolsby as well as many other family members. Ethan graduated from Louis D. Brandeis High School in 2019 where he took a keen interest in art and became a persuasive orator on The Bronco Speech & Debate Team.

Ethan grew up as a strikingly beautiful green-eyed boy beaming with laughter and charm, kicking the soccer ball in the goal, shooting the basketball in the hoop, debating about politics and worldly issues with his parents at home. He showed unconditional positive regard for strangers, gave undivided attention to children, played guitar like a great rock star, and loved cuddling with his dog "Snickers", cheering for the San Antonio Spurs at games, and practicing Taekwondo for mental and physical discipline. Ethan had the heart of a traveler and eagerness to see the world. He traveled with a camera around his neck and never tired of documenting his adventures in photos.

When Ethan's persona began to take shape he became passionate about serving his community. His first love of service was found as a Cub Scout. He interned with The City of San Antonio after his Sophomore year, devoted time

to volunteering with The San Antonio Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, amongst other non-profits in the community. He made frequent visits with generous donations to the San Antonio Humane Society. He had a love of animals and often said his dream job would be running an animal rescue for Huskies, his favorite breed of dog.

Ethan had a precocious moral vision, utter authenticity of emotion, and a beauty of expression. A constant throughout his life was a giant smile that lit up his entire face and that of others. He had a genuine desire to make everyone he encountered feel good about themselves. He couldn't stand to see sadness in people and did all he could to help prevent that, especially for the less fortunate. Ethan was not just willing to give someone the last dollar in his pocket if they were in need, he often did just that. If he did encounter someone who needed cheering up, Ethan loved nothing more than making people laugh. He was always ready with a joke, a funny face, or a silly dance to make those around him laugh with him.

Ethan joined the United States Navy on November 18th, 2019. He completed his training on January 17th, 2020 at the Navy Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes and his A-School at Naval Station Pensacola that April. He went on to San Diego, California in June to join the crew of the USS Roosevelt as an Aviation Ordnanceman. Ethan was incredibly proud of his service to our country and was eager to continue his adventures as part of the U.S. Navy. He was looking forward to seeing as much of the world as possible while fulfilling his desire to serve.

The Goolsby family would like to thank 23rd District Congressman Tony Gonzales and his staff for their dedicated support to the family, the United States Navy, the US Navy Moms, and many friends and family that helped shape Ethan's life.

Memorial contributions can be made through PayPal: <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8vg00pjGKp>

Funeral Services:

Public Memorial

Friday February 26th, 2021 - 11 a.m.-12 noon

Mission Park North Funeral Home

3401 Cherry Ridge Drive

San Antonio, Texas 78230

Military Honors (Immediate Family Only)

Friday February 26, 2021

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

San Antonio, Texas

Services will be live streamed. Here is the link: www.facebook.com/102671035209745/live/

Cemetery Details

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Public Memorial

FEB **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Tribute Wall

JA

“ *It's been two years on Saturday (12-10-22). I am so very sorry. I just can't imagine your plight. I am a Navy Dad and the news of Ethan's passing affected me profoundly. And it still does till this very day. I moved to San Diego County in early 2020 and work right next to the Pacific Ocean. Even after two years, nearly every time I stand and look out over the Ocean, I still think of and say a pray for Ethan and you. My sincerest condolences to you. Regards, Jeffrey P. Ambrose*

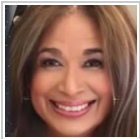
Jeffrey P. Ambrose - December 14, 2022 at 06:45 PM



Hell Jeffrey.

I just read this as we drive to go visit my father (Ethan's grandfather) and it has me sobbing. Thanks so much for thinking about Ethan and our family.

Kelly Goolsby - February 16, 2023 at 09:59 PM

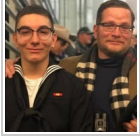


“ *My most heartfelt condolences to my Cousins Kelly and Michelle. May Ethan Rest In Peace and the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him.*

I remember when you all joined us for Christmas a few years ago and how much he enjoyed my food.

*Love you!
Leti Cruz*

Leti Cruz - March 02, 2021 at 07:43 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Kelly Goolsby - February 28, 2021 at 04:04 PM

GH

I miss you Ethan and I love you my nephew. Happy birthday.

Gino huron - September 16, 2024 at 08:32 PM

LB

“ *This Navy Mom is sending My Heartfelt Condolences! You've been in My Thoughts and Prayers each and every Day! May God Bring You and Your Family Strength to get through this Most Difficult Time of Loss!*

Lisa Ann Ballinger - February 26, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 25, 2021 at 09:23 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 25, 2021 at 09:09 AM



“ *Dear Kelly & Michelle, You have been in my daily thoughts and nightly prayers. Our family is holding you in our hearts as Navy family does. The love connecting us to our children is forever and unbreakable. Please accept our heartfelt condolences with love to you and your family~Theresa & Mitch Johnson*

Theresa Johnson - February 24, 2021 at 10:29 PM



“ *I taught Ethan three years ago. He was such a kind soul. He had an amazing personality and made me laugh on a daily basis. My prayers will be with his family.*

Matt Lopez - February 24, 2021 at 08:49 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 24, 2021 at 08:42 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 24, 2021 at 08:35 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 22, 2021 at 06:17 PM



“ *Kelly & Michelle,*

We are so sorry for the loss of your beautiful Ethan. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Wayne & Thelma Nance



Thelma Porras Nance - February 22, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ *Jim & Barbara Bair purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



Jim & Barbara Bair - February 22, 2021 at 11:19 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 21, 2021 at 10:55 PM



“ *My granddaughter called me in tears the day Ethan went missing. She worked with him in the Aviation division of the Navy and said he was one of the nicest people she had ever met....kind, caring and always smiling. I can't begin to even know the heartache in losing a child and I hope memories will help you heal. Walking with friends in the dark is better than walking alone in the light. Reach out to friends and family to help you through.*

*Kay Yoch
Minnesota*

kay Yoch - February 21, 2021 at 08:58 PM



Nice words very sad & upsetting

Neville Fleming - February 22, 2021 at 03:45 AM



Thank you for your kind words Kay and for your granddaughter's friendship to Ethan.

Kelly Sean Goolsby - February 22, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 21, 2021 at 07:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.*



February 21, 2021 at 07:17 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Pictures of Ethan!*

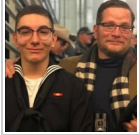


Kelly Goolsby - February 21, 2021 at 03:42 PM

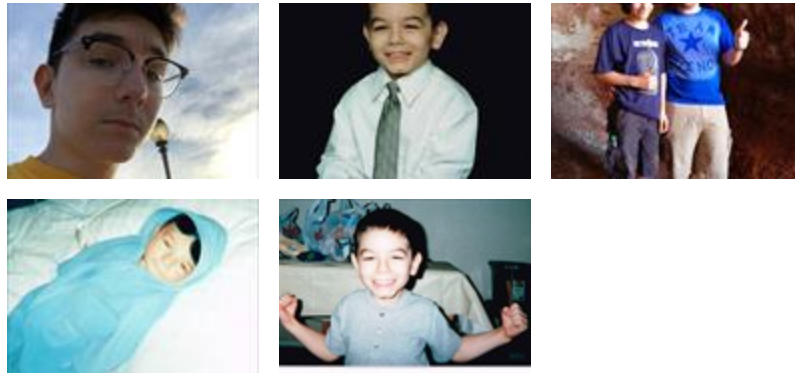


Ethan will be missed tremendously!

Norma Kwiatkowski - February 24, 2021 at 10:09 PM



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Kelly Goolsby - February 21, 2021 at 10:46 AM



“ Richard and Carole ibarra purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Ethan Garrett Goolsby.



Richard and Carole ibarra - February 20, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ Richard And Carole Ibarra lit a candle in memory of Ethan Garrett Goolsby



richard and carole ibarra - February 20, 2021 at 05:08 PM