



Torin Salmons Thorsgard

July 31, 1993 - September 18, 2022

Torin Salmons Thorsgard was welcomed on July 31, 1993 to Kyja Thorsgard and Joe Salmons in Denver, CO. Torin was beloved by his parents, the apple of his grandparents eyes, and an energetic boy with a beautiful sense of wonder. He was a well-liked classmate and many of his greatest friendships were formed in his years at Slavens Elementary and while at Littleton High School. He excelled academically and athletically playing basketball and lacrosse. One highlight of his high school years was a volunteer trip to Kenya. Torin graduated from high school in 2011 and went on to thoroughly enjoy Colorado State University in Fort Collins where he received a degree in Natural Resource Recreation and Tourism. Torin held an important position at his fraternity Pi Kappa Phi as the Chair of the Standards Board. His faithful German Shepherd, Ajax, was the fraternity mascot.

Torin was an avid outdoorsman who loved hiking, hunting, skiing, and exploring nature. He became a passionate fisherman at an early age inspired by trips up north to his Thorsgard grandparents lake cabin and river home in Minnesota.

Torin was an innately creative individual. At a very young age he grew to be a gifted, avid & talented artist. Torin's art, illustrations, and designs were diverse, spontaneous and ingenious. His fly-fishing flies are also works of art.

When Torin started his hobby farm in Fort Collins his dreams became a reality and Thorsgard Land and Livestock was born. He was so proud of the farm and loved what he did with his girlfriend, O'Bryan at his side. He enjoyed his dogs, (Ajax and Dave), 2 cats, the 7 goats, countless chickens, 7 cattle; and even loved taking his 2 water buffalo for swims in the backyard. Torin's sister, Kennedy, loved her brother and spending time with him at the farm.

Torin loved and appreciated his job as Operations Manager with North Poudre Water Irrigation Co. and it showed everyday. His co-workers were family, "working together was actually laughing together". Torin enjoyed his position and the myriad challenges it entailed. His career tied his passions for the outdoors and for water. It was a perfect fit.

Torin's strong character qualities are remarkable and worth noting. His laid-back, patient demeanor was a noticeable attribute, he was bright, approachable and a wonderful conversationist. Torin had a great sense humor, and always loved a good prank. He was a leader for his friend group, an organizer and the responsible one people turned to. Torin was admired for his ability to think through situations and problem solve.

Torin tragically died September 18, 2022 doing something he loved - hiking in the mountains near his home in Fort Collins. He was loving and well loved by many. He is greatly missed.

Torin is survived by his mother, Kyja Thorsgard (Dan Wold), his father, Joe Salmons (Donna Book), sister, Kennedy Salmons, his girlfriend, O'Bryan Smith. We would also like to acknowledge the many loving and supporting relationships that played a part in Torin's life – Heidi Salmons and Mike Stebbins, Uncle(s) Knute (Nancy) Thorsgard, Eric (Gerri) Thorsgard, Aunt Nicki (Lou) Zeidner, Dan Wold's son and daughter, Nathan and Erin, many cousins and all of the respective extended families and great friends.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 1. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Bethany Lutheran Church
4500 E. Hampden Ave.
Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113

Informal Gathering

OCT 2. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Home of Torin Thorsgard

Tribute Wall



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.



October 01, 2022 at 11:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.



September 30, 2022 at 10:42 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.



September 30, 2022 at 03:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.



September 29, 2022 at 06:36 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 29, 2022 at 10:16 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 29, 2022 at 08:19 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 29, 2022 at 01:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 28, 2022 at 04:54 PM

TC

“ *The City of Fort Collins purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



The City of Fort Collins - September 26, 2022 at 11:48 AM

SS

“ *Such a wonderful man he was. A true seeker of adventure and
living a live full surrounded of the things he loved. I recall meeting
him as a youngster at his Grandparents , the Thorsgards in Dec
around XMAS, so enjoying the horse drawn sleighs, and so talkative
and full of joy. Hoping his spirit and memory will be remembered
and fully blessed. Prayers to Kyja and the entire family, his cousins,
friends all. RIP*

Steve Saetre - September 25, 2022 at 10:16 PM

CJ

“ *So hard to hear this news. Horribly sad. A great young man gone
way too soon. Always will cherish playing basketball with Torin
growing up and remember how kind he was and funny and enjoyed
being around him. He will be so missed by all. Prayers for his family
and closest friends*

Chris Juracek - September 25, 2022 at 04:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 25, 2022 at 03:08 PM

RK

“ *My Deepest sympathy to Torin's family. As a coworker, he was a courteous and respectful young man. He had a multitude of God given talents. I especially enjoyed doing the monthly lake reports with Torin where we discussed our passion for the outdoors. I will truly miss him. God rest your soul Torin.*

Ray Kaiser

Ray Kaiser - September 25, 2022 at 02:14 PM

KF

“ *O'bryan and families, These things are never easy to write, and with a heavy heart, I extend our deepest condolences to you during this dark time. Fondest Memories, Kris & Tony Flanagan*

Kristy Flanagan - September 25, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 24, 2022 at 10:29 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 09:09 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 05:19 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 04:30 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 03:46 PM



“ *I am so sorry to the family and everyone around this tragic loss. Torin was an outstanding human being. Whether I was bugging him to go do some Flyfishing, come check out the farm, or simply sit around a fire and tell stories, Torin was always welcoming and down to earth. Gonna miss ya pal.*

rick gildea - September 22, 2022 at 01:07 PM

JW

I had the pleasure of meeting Torin when he came to Oregon with his girlfriend O'Bryan who is my wife's best friend. They stayed at our house and I immediately could tell he was a really great guy and we spent most of the time laughing together. Torin was super great with our kids and spent time drawing pictures with our 10 year old daughter and she adored him. He truly felt like a high school buddy only after 3 short days. I'm so sorry for everyone in his life who is dealing with this tragic loss as I know he will be forever missed greatly.

Jon Watson - September 22, 2022 at 04:26 PM

AJ

We are so sorry to learn of Torin's passing. Our daughter Lauren was a classmate and friend at Slavens. Our prayers are with Torin's family and friends. Stuart & Amy Jorgensen

amy jorgensen - September 22, 2022 at 09:11 PM

AJ

I knew Torin as an active and darling child, with an eager smile, magnetic personality, and embracing charm. He seemed to love fishing and outdoor activities more than anything, but he enthusiastically tried new experiences - he was happy and thoroughly engaged when he and his mom were at the Denver opera, where my brother was performing. He was a loving child and wonderful young man, and his death is such a great loss.

*We send all our love and prayers
Anne and Steve Josephson*

anne Josephson - September 24, 2022 at 12:22 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 11:36 AM

DS

“ We lost a loving man way to early what a gentle kind soul with a smile that could put sunshine in a cloudy day. Torin and O'Bryan have been not only our neighbors but also part of our family for years! To have known Torin was a honor, he loved starting the farm and so did we he was so proud of whatever he did and it showed in so many ways! He loved his flowers and garden and had a real green thumb we know because we watched and listened to the laughter Torin and O'Bryan had(which was contagious) over the fence which by the way we had are own opening to go visit! One of the best joys was when Torin asked us to watch all the kids and farm while they could get away together that was a huge moment and to have Torins trust taking care of his treasures.He will be greatly missed but never forgotten we will still be listening for him to be calling for Dave knowing she was probably at our house...along with the chickens so great to have them both share the love! O'Bryan and all of Torins family you are in our thoughts and prayers hoping all the memories that have been left will help ease the loss...Love and many hugs Dan and Carla Schwartz

Dan and Carla Schwartz - September 22, 2022 at 11:04 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.



September 22, 2022 at 08:28 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 22, 2022 at 08:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 21, 2022 at 10:38 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss Kyja. Your Mom and Dad always talked about Torin. You have had a sad year. It is extremely difficult to lose a child and sibling too.. Praying God to strengthen you .*

Phyllis Sundquist Peterson - September 21, 2022 at 09:25 PM



Oh, Kyja, my heart breaks for you...I've been where you are, 20 yrs later, the pain is there but I've conquered grief and you will too, my friend...Torin definitely made his mark in this world, you must be so proud...no words are going to help...its all a blur and you're hoping it's just a nightmare you can't wake up from...just know that so many friends and family are praying for your strength...like my son, Torin died doing what he loved most in life, knowing this brought me some peace...love you lady...

Cindy Brandon - September 22, 2022 at 09:09 AM



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September 21, 2022 at 03:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 21, 2022 at 03:13 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Torin Salmons Thorsgard.*



September 21, 2022 at 09:51 AM