

Dear Herzberg Family,

I am truly beyond grateful for the brave sacrifice Eric made for his country and everyone living in it. Losing someone you love is painful. Just last March I lost my uncle, but as of right now I don't understand what its like to lose your own child. No one deserves that kind of pain in their life. My Grandpa is a Deacon in the Catholic Church, so he works with lots of families dealing with loss. He says that within grief, there is hope. What Eric did was selfless and I hope you understand that he was a hero. My cousin, Hayden, just joined the Navy so I understand what its like to have a family member in the service. I will keep you in my prayers and please keep Hayden in your prayers as well.

Love,

Kelsey Gelderloos