

Dear Mr. Herzberg, and family,

I want to begin by saying that I am so sorry for your loss. With what I have read about Eric from his website I know that it was a true loss for your son to pass. He had courage, integrity, and he played defense in soccer just like I do! I don't know if I would have his courage, and I hope you know that the eighth graders at Mona Shores remember and look up to your son. We just finished watching 'Taking Chance' and I cried everyday, and I am sorry that your son is gone but I hope you can take some comfort in knowing that even though your son has died, his memory and story lives on. Eric was a hero, and I am grateful that I even learned his name.

I want to thank you as well for having the courage to remember your son and to help kids like me learn that there are people dying and fighting everyday for me. Thank you for your sons service, and even though nothing can bring your son back I hope you can get some comfort in knowing that his memory will never be forgotten and his story will live on forever.

- Sarah Milhesell