

IN LOVING MEMORY OF BLAINE ALISON STEINBERG

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Blaine Steinberg of Wynnewood PA passed away suddenly on Friday March 7th at Dartmouth where she was a junior. Blaine began her soccer playing when she was 5 years old with LMSC. Her first travel team was the LMSC Flame at U9. Blaine was a superstar from the beginning, not only for her athletic abilities, but for her attitude and passion for the sport and, most importantly, for her loyalty to her teammates. She was a smart, caring, hardworking and had such a positive attitude. Her smile could light up a room and a laugh that was infectious. We have lost an amazing young woman way too early. Our deepest sympathies go out her parents Jill and Sid and her younger sister Leigh.

Below are a few notes about Blaine from some of her Flame teammates and coach.

It was an absolute honor to coach Blaine right from the beginning. She always put 100% into every game and practice and genuinely wanted to be there to learn and get better. She was like a sponge and just soaked it all in. Blaine was a caring teammate and a natural leader. She made everyone around her strive to their best. However I think the true blessing in knowing Blaine was being able to watch her grow up into a remarkable young woman and keeping in touch with her and her wonderful family. When she interviewed Julie Foudy she was beyond thrilled and sent me an email from college with the video and was so proud of it and I was so proud of her.

Blaine, I was so lucky to have known you. You made me a better coach and for that I am grateful to you. You will be so missed by not only me but the entire LMSC family and those that had the privilege of calling you a true friend and teammate. Rest in peace #11. I love you and will miss your smile and laugh forever. - Nikki Posillico Epps

From just a few of her teammates:

Blaine-

When I first met you, I knew we would be friends immediately because we both loved two things: the Backstreet Boys and soccer. From Shipley to Flame, I cannot think of a childhood memory that doesn't involve our friendship. You were always so confident in yourself, even as a first grader, and you were such an incredible role model to grow up with. As a teammate and friend, your kindness and positivity will be forever ingrained in my memory.

I hope you are watching from heaven right now, because everyone you touched during your time here on earth is thinking about you. You lived life to the fullest and never took a single moment for granted. Thank you for teaching us all to do the same. Rest easy, Blaine we love and miss you so much. - Brie Blumenthal

Blaine-

You were an amazing teammate and friend. Everyone was touched by your positive attitude, amazing smile, constant upbeat personality, and incredible athleticism. You had a huge impact on and off the field and touched everyone you interacted with. Seeing you over winter break, reminded me of your positivity and contagious smile. Thanks for being an amazing friend and reminding us to take a step back to appreciate everything we have. Rest in peace Blaine, we will miss you - Libby Eyre

Blaine is the only person I have ever known who would consistently ask the ref how much time was left and then let them know that she really had to pee. Whether we won or lost, Blaine would run off the field with the biggest smile on her face, always ready to throw a football around with her dad. Her energy and enthusiasm were always so contagious. I am so grateful to have been able to grow up with such an amazing person. We will always be "the red hot." You will be loved and missed forever. - Megan Rubenstein

Thank you for teaching me what dedication looked like on and off of the field, what friendship really was, especially since you invited me over to your house when we were 8 after knowing each other for barely ten minutes, how to laugh, how to motivate those around me and also how to look great while wearing two knee braces. You were a huge part of the Flame family and the MLRT family, and this means two holes in my heart. You are a one of a kind person and will be missed every day. - Julia Siegal

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