

Cache Valley Pays Tribute to Jacob Hawkes

Cache Valley wishes to pay a special tribute to a great young man and soccer player, Jacob Brent Hawkes, age 19, from Hyde Park, UT passed away Wed. Aug. 26, 2009, as a result of an automobile accident. Jake grew up in Cache Valley and played Utah Youth Soccer since he was an 8 year old boy. He played with the same core group of young men on the same competitive team for 11 years under the team names, Logan Lightning, Cache Valley Lightning, and Valencia CF, where they participated in the Premier division at the state level. He also participated in many out of state tournaments in Colorado, California and Nevada and traveled with his team to Europe where he toured England, France, and played in a tournament in Spain, where the team was awarded the Trofeo Unicef—the trophy for sportsmanship and fair play. His coach and mentor was Sherri Dever. Jake graduated in 2008 from Sky View High School where he played soccer under coach Doyle Geddes. He was a 3 year letter winner and a top scorer. He was named in 2007 and 2008 as a member of the Herald Journal All-Valley team. He played one year in the fall of 2008 at Iowa Western Community College in Council Bluffs, Iowa for coach Jordan Carver. Jake also played on adult indoor and outdoor teams in Cache Valley, which he loved to do during the year.

Jake played a key role on his teams as a Center mid-fielder and Striker. He was a very fun person to be around and had a real zest for life. He was a huge contributor to the success of his teams. He was very passionate about the game of soccer and a talented athlete. Those that played with and against Jake can attest to his aggressive nature, his fearlessness and drive to win. Jake will be greatly missed by his family, friends, teammates, referees and opponents. He truly was a great young man in our community and the soccer community as well.