



Jacob Robert Dortch

March 2, 2002 - December 8, 2025

Jacob Robert Dortch, a beloved son, grandson, brother, and friend, born March 2, 2002, passed away on December 8, 2025. Jacob left a light in the world that will never be forgotten. Born to Marc Lopez and Jenessa Holland, and cherished as a stepson by Ryan Holland and Shawnda Lopez, Jacob grew up in Benicia surrounded by a circle of love that shaped his generous, spirited heart. He was the adored grandson of Robert and Debra Dortch and the proud sibling of Lorenzza, Kayla, Marc, Bella, and Cyara. Each of whom he loved fiercely and protected endlessly.

A gifted athlete, Jacob made his mark as a football star at Benicia High School and excelled in wrestling and baseball. His energy, drive, and determination made him a force on the field and on the mat an inspiration to his teammates. But Jacob's talents reached far beyond athletics. He was a writer, a creator, and a naturally gifted musician—singing, producing, and crafting music that expressed his heart in a way words alone never could.

Jacob had a magnetic presence. He loved to laugh, make others laugh, and was well-known for his playful jokes and hyper, joyful spirit and his wonderful smile. To his friends, he was loyal and uplifting; to his family, he was loving, kind, funny, and full of a warmth that made every room brighter. He lived with passion, imagination, and a genuine love for the people around him.

Those who knew Jacob will remember his creativity, his humor, his infectious energy and smile, and the way he made everyone feel seen and valued. Though his time here was far too short, the impact he made is lasting and profound. His memory will forever inspire the many hearts he touched.

Jacob will be deeply missed and forever loved by every single person he came across.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 17. 12:00 PM (PT)

Northgate Christian Fellowship
2201 Lake Herman Road
Benicia, CA 94510

Tribute Wall

RT

“ Rocco, Luis, Mark, Bob - Ciena team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacob Robert Dortch.

Rocco, Luis, Mark, Bob - Ciena team - December 17, 2025 at 12:27 PM

RT

“ Rocco, Luis, Mark, Bob - Ciena team purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



Rocco, Luis, Mark, Bob - Ciena team - December 17, 2025 at 12:27 PM

DP

“ Desiree's colleagues at PCRHP purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



Desiree's colleagues at PCRHP - December 16, 2025 at 01:51 PM

AB

“ Auntie Jaya Del Sordo & Monica Brazil purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



Auntie Jaya Del Sordo & Monica Brazil - December 15, 2025 at 05:49 PM

AG

“ Aj Gouvaia & Jennifer Gouvaia purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



Aj Gouvaia & Jennifer Gouvaia - December 13, 2025 at 03:01 PM

TF

“ The Sokolowski Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacob Robert Dortch.

The Sokolowski Family - December 13, 2025 at 09:49 AM

TF

“ The Sokolowski Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



The Sokolowski Family - December 13, 2025 at 09:49 AM

AD

“ Ami, Remy and Dallas purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacob Robert Dortch.



Ami, Remy and Dallas - December 12, 2025 at 10:21 PM

RD

“ We were blessed to be there when Jacob was born. Grandpa was also the last person to tell him he loved him before the tragic accident. We are devastated by this tragic loss. We love Jacob so very much and he had such a wonderful presence and loved by so many. We know all that knew him are heartbroken. We hope we may all find comfort in the wonderful memories that we have of Jacob. We are grateful that he was in our life for 23 1/2 years. We will always be in our hearts. May he rest in peace. ~?Robert and Debra Dortch (“Gramps & Aunt Deb”)

Robert and Debra Dortch - December 12, 2025 at 10:47 AM