



Benjamin A. Haverstick

December 20, 2025

Benjamin A. Haverstick, 47, INTJ, formerly of Lancaster, PA, passed away on Saturday, December 20, 2025. Born in Lancaster, PA, he was the son of Tony Haverstick and the late Judy Naylor Haverstick. Ben was a graduate of Lancaster Country Day School, where he was the recipient of the Headmaster's Award. A recognition of which he was always very proud. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy from Wesleyan University through the selective and rigorous College of Letters. After teaching himself German, he continued his studies of philosophy abroad at the University of Salzburg in Germany. He completed law school at New York University, where he received his Juris Doctor. After law school, Ben practiced corporate law, mainly in the area of mergers and acquisitions, with several prominent law firms in New York City before returning to live and work in his beloved home, Lancaster.

The best descriptor of Ben was *unverbesserlich* (GER), meaning incorrigible and unchanging. He was true to himself always, having a strong will to power, and following his own compass. Ben valued honesty, humility, and authenticity above all, in himself, people, and life. He stayed true to those values despite the influences of the world that would have him be otherwise. Ben was an avid reader, writer, and forever student of philosophy. He studied the works of one of his favorites, Friedrich Nietzsche in great depth and found a special connection to his ideas. In addition to his own studies, Ben loved to teach and mentor others. He was excited to share his insights and theories with anyone who would listen. He pushed the limits in conversation to mine the information that revealed more.

Ben was a Mastermind, an INTJ, of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI). One of his most favorite theories in application, this was so critical and functional to him in understanding others and being understood. True to his type, he was rational, efficient, complex, intentional, curious, and open to experience. His sharp intuition allowed him to see around corners and see right to the core of people. His life was built on expertly planned systems, and he judged from every angle in his calculations. Ben said what he meant and did what he said he was going to do. He was rare and just so very special.

Ben realized the value of time. He spent it mindfully. Rollerblading, reading, writing, sitting in the sun, going to the beach, and swimming in the ocean were some of his favorite ways to spend time in life. Above all, Ben treasured the time he shared with his mindmate and forever partner, Meredith, and their dogs, Remi, Ozzie, Nico, and Cosmo.

Ben is survived by his partner, Meredith Stabley, INTJ; his father, Tony Haverstick; his sister, Anna Miller; his uncles, Scott Haverstick and Frederick Naylor; and his aunt, Mary Haverstick.

A Memorial Service will be held at Lancaster Friends Quaker Meeting, 110 Tulane Terrace, Lancaster, PA 17603, on Saturday, January 3, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome to greet the family one hour prior to the service.

Ben wanted to be understood, included, and accepted in the world. Instead of donations or flowers, include someone, understand someone, appreciate someone for who they are. Examine your life, get off your devices, and resist the forces that are using you and wasting your time. Spend your time and attention on something that matters.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Lancaster Friends (Quaker) Meeting House
110 Tulane Terrace
Lancaster, PA 17603

Memorial Service

JAN 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Unverbesserlich. Yes. And a kind and good man. A friend. I am heartbroken to learn of this news. I'll miss you Ben.* ”

Joshua Tenzer - January 30 at 02:59 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Audio Recording of Gathering* ”



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 06 at 03:16 PM

GS

“ *Mary , , Scott Frederick , Tony , and family. Tony I , did not know your son Ben , I knew your families over the years , your Mother , and Mary through theater ect . And years ago when very young , I played there at the farm. As I said I did not know Ben , but after reading your tribute to him, I know he would have been very interesting to chat with. I do know he left this world much too soon , but from reading the tribute and messages , . I do think he left his mark , and a positive one in the minds and hearts of many , and on this planet. Deepest sympathy may he RIP ..Gail & Jen Smith* ”

Gail Smith - January 04 at 09:59 PM



“ *Ben and I shared many good memories and some not so good ones (between middle and upper school). The relationship we had was complicated. Regardless, this is so sad. I'm grateful he was able to find a partner and find success in his professional life. I've found myself wondering how he was or what he was up to from time to time, the last time being about a week ago. I did not expect to see this. Sending love and strength to his family and friends. 🍊👊🌟* ”

Lisa Collins - December 31, 2025 at 06:35 AM

MM

“ I learned a tremendous amount from Ben when we worked together. He was brilliant and always analyzed legal issues from a different perspective. Our conversations often turned to Myers-Briggs or the latest restaurant in Lancaster he thought I should try. I am grateful to have known Ben. My sincere condolences to Meredith and his family.

Meera Modi - December 30, 2025 at 07:31 AM

MO

“ A wonderful lifetime friend that I had the good fortune to share my formative years with in Lancaster, PA and at college. Absolutely true to self, insatiably curious, shining a positive light on all that he came into contact with - and just so much fun to spend time with. Sending love to all the family and friends.

Mike Orban - December 29, 2025 at 10:48 PM

JD

“ Ben was a splendid attorney and an even better person. I enjoyed working with him. And I will miss him.

Jim DeAngelo - December 29, 2025 at 02:28 PM

JC

“ My heartfelt condolences to Ben's partner Meredith and to Ben's family. Ben was a special person who had so much more to offer and to receive in this world and is sadly gone too soon. His humanity and talents will be greatly missed.

Julia Coelho - December 29, 2025 at 11:46 AM

DH

“ We will miss you Ben , you have left us too soon. Tricia and I enjoyed your company on many sunny days at our Pool. Our pups never barked when you came over-they new you were special.

David Hughes - December 28, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ To a rare guy willing to be more than just another formless drop in the social river: Missing You, Ben... 😊

Wayne Yoder - December 28, 2025 at 03:40 PM

LE

“ We have lost a beautiful person! I remember Ben well from days at LCDS, and with great fondness. What a whip-smart mind, clever wit, and kind soul. My deep condolences to his family.

Lark Eshleman

Lark Eshleman - December 28, 2025 at 10:58 AM

DD

“ I am so heartbroken that we have lost Ben. He is the standout person in my professional life to be unabashedly himself in a profession where authenticity is scarce and also smart, clever, kind, and so very interesting. Prayers to Meredith and his surviving family - may you be comforted by great memories of Ben. —

Diane Dobrea

Dobrea Diane - December 27, 2025 at 10:54 AM

AO

Dear Meredith and Ben's family,
Our son Michael was a boyhood friend of Ben's. My late husband admired and delighted in Ben as a lawyer and as a person. I am deeply saddened that his light has left this world. He will illuminate the next.

With sincere condolences,
Anne Orban, Michael and Sarah

Anne Orban - December 29, 2025 at 09:28 PM



Ben was a classmate of mine at LCDS and I send all my love and condolences to his family and partner. I'm so terribly sorry for your loss <3

Kate Shaughnessy Hankle - December 30, 2025 at 05:39 PM