

# Gift '08

## Five Lives Saved By One Generous Hero in '08



Christopher “Blake” White, the youngest of Nancy Trapp’s three children and only son, is her everyday hero. “He inspires those who knew him on a daily basis.” Blake accomplished just about everything he set out to do. At 19, he became the youngest ever Hibachi Chef. Blake also aspired to be a professional motorcycle racer.

On New Year’s Day 2008, Blake, 20, set out on his Yamaha sport bike. He slipped on ice less than a block from home. Nancy received a call from Cox South in Springfield, Missouri, that Blake was badly hurt. Family and friends came together and prayed for four days before they had to let Blake go.

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Nancy remembered talking to Blake, not long before, about a friend’s sister who needed a kidney. Blake stated that “if anything were to happen to me, give all my ‘parts’ away.” The family decided to honor Blake’s wishes. The hospital staff helped everyone through the organ donation process and gave them extra time with Blake. Blake saved five lives that day. Nancy said, “Knowing that others are alive and enjoying life because of Blake’s donation makes his life even more important”.