

Lauren Spence

On Friday, June 9th, we lost one of our own, when Lauren Spence was tragically killed in a car accident at the tender age of 16. Lauren was a talented young lady who danced both in Highland dance and Irish dance. Her passions were not limited to just dance as she also was very active in Marion Graham Choir and Cheer Squad. At school, she was also a member of the junior volleyball team, and dance academy.

Lauren's life was celebrated on June 24th with a packed church where many family and friends gathered to show their love and respect for Lauren and her immediate family— parents, Raycine and Christopher and sister, Katie. Lauren also leaves behind her grandparents, June Miller, Gaylene Spence, David Spence and Donna Otto; along with many cousins, aunts and uncles.

There was not a dry eye in the church when various loved-ones shared their beautiful memories of Lauren. Marion Graham choir sang a heartfelt song, 'I Will Fix You', while Emma W. sang 'Touch the Sky'. The Irish dancers performed a touching reel, while SHDA dancers did a tribute mass fling. The pipe band performed a final tune that left the church in absolute silence as people reflected on the full life lived by a young woman loved by so many.

Our hearts and prayers continue to go out to the Spence family as they try to navigate their lives without Lauren.

A Lauren Spence Memorial Fund has been established and this fund will be used to assist other young singers and dancers with scholarships, travel awards and memorial gifts. If you wish to contribute to this fund, you can go to:

gofundme.com/the-lauren-spence-memorial-fund

