



*Families,*

*Please see below for the sad news of the passing of an Elon student. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Stoneman family at this time of loss.*

*Sincerely,  
Elon University Office of Parent Engagement*

Dear members of the Elon community,

I am saddened to share that student Will Stoneman died yesterday at his family's home in St. Louis, Missouri. Will enrolled at Elon this fall as a first-year student and was the son of Mark and Jill Stoneman.

As we mourn the death of our friend, student, and classmate, there are university resources available to help. Elon Student Life staff members have been reaching out to support Will's suitemates, friends, classmates, and faculty members. Chaplains and counselors will be available today, Tuesday, September 21, from 4-5:15 p.m. in the McBride Gathering Space of the Numen Lumen Pavilion for anyone who would like to connect in person. A community moment of remembrance for Will's life will be held at 5:15 p.m. in the McBride Gathering Space.

Other resources to discuss feelings of loss or concern for others include university chaplains in the [Truitt Center for Religious and Spiritual Life](#) at 336-278-7729, staff with [Student Care and Outreach](#) in the Office of the Dean of Students at 336-278-7200, or counselors from [Counseling Services](#) at 336-278-7280. Individuals can always access the 24/7 resources from the crisis counselor on-call at 336-278-2222 or the Student Life administrator on-call through Campus Safety and Police at 336-278-5555. Faculty and staff may also utilize [Elon Work-Life Resources](#) for support.

The sudden death of a student is a heartbreaking loss. Please keep Will's family and friends in your thoughts at this challenging time and continue to care for each other in the days and weeks ahead.

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