It is with great sadness that we announce the unexpected passing of our son and brother, Patrick Wayne Lopez (of Casa Grande) on December 21, 2018.

Patrick was born on September 15, 1992 and from the moment he entered the world, he was a bright light. From a young age he was passionate about music and rocks. These interests would follow him through life, as he played many instruments including the guitar; created and sold custom jewelry; and cultivated a rock and cactus garden.

Patrick studied French and Philosophy starting at Arizona State and continuing on to community colleges in both Arizona and California. Patrick was a freelance social media manager, furniture designer, model and jewelry designer, but most of all Patrick was committed to helping other people. He had a special interest in helping those experiencing homelessness and dreamed of establishing a nonprofit to expand his work.

Patrick was loved by many and his memory will live on in the hearts of his parents, Wendy and Daniel Duenez and Danny and Josie Lopez; his grandmothers, Irma Hall and Mary Duenez; his siblings, Whitney and Troy Lawton; Daniel, Venessa, Erica, Priscilla, Francisco and Danielle Lopez; and Emily and Natalie Davison; and three cats, Korbin, Dawon and Maybe.

His extended family including aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and a nephew will also miss him greatly, as will his vast number of friends.

Patrick is at peace now and has joined his grandparents, uncles and his beloved cousin, Casey. Watch over us, Patrick, we still need your light.

For anyone who wishes to honor Patrick, we would like to ask that you carry on his legacy by finding someone in need to help. Whether it’s a warm blanket or a hot meal, carry on Patrick’s memory by helping someone experiencing homelessness.