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## Roy Butler RIP

A massive sense of disbelief, shock and sadness gripped the club yesterday as news emerged of Roy's sudden illness and passing. Sometimes life just isn't fair and this certainly is one of these occasions.

Roy loved football. He started playing in the Villa Academy at 5 years of age and gave tremendous service to the club, winning many titles along the way, including the National Danone Under 11 Cup that led to a trip to South Africa representing Ireland for the team. He achieved a dream of playing with Waterford United in his teenage years, before returning to play for the Villa Premier team. He also gave a lot back to the club in a coaching capacity, guiding a number of teams, most notably being a coach to the Munster Youth Cup winning team of 2020.

As well as his undoubted talent, Roy was a real leader, serious and determined on the pitch... always organising his team. Off the pitch he was a fun loving, happy, smiley kid - all traits that led him to becoming the fine young man that we all liked and admired. A social media tribute post by his lifelong teammate and friend Dylan McGuire captures it so well "You are still my captain Roy".

To his family, Dad Martin, Mother Angela, Brother Aaron, and the wider Butler and Sheridan families we can only offer our heartfelt sympathies and support. He might be gone, but he won't be forgotten and he will be remembered with huge affection and pride by all in Villa. RIP Kid



## 75 Kali Dibagikan



So very sad. My sincere condolences to Roy's family and also his Villa F.C. family and friends. Rest peacefully Roy

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Olivia Croke

Rest in peace young man , taken from this earth too soon . Condolences to his Mam Dad brother family & Friends

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Erika Westwood

Roy was just an amazing young chap I had the pleasure of getting to know he was so kind to everyone that he met and always smiling he will be sadly missed RIP Roy sincere condolences to all his family

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Ann Sinnott

Fly high with the angles Roy Roy heartbroken for all his family and friends

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