

Brayden M. Lawrenz

February 21, 2005 - May 27, 2020

Brayden Michael Lawrenz was born February 21, 2005 in Kearney, Nebraska to Stacey Lawrenz and Briana Carol Lawrenz. He was always full of energy and climbing all over like a monkey. By the age of 1, he was talking in sentences and would talk anyone's ear off. He knew no strangers. When at the park, he would know everyone's name and be playing with "new" friends each time. He started going to basketball skills classes at the age of 3 and loved basketball every day since. Football came in as a close second. He could name lots of different college and pro players, plus how old they were, their position, and sometimes even what draft pick they were. Brayden's smile would light up a room, and everyone would notice! He cared for the "least of these" and never wanted others to think that no one cared for them. He had many struggles, but still made a difference in many lives, even after his death. Brayden joined God's Army back as a child and knew Jesus was his Savior. He is now a part of God's Army and joined it on May 27, 2020. He leaves behind many family and friends to continue to share his story and spread his kindness and wit with others. There will be a "Celebration of Life" event on (Saturday) August 1, 2020 from 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the East City Park in Ainsworth, Nebraska. Schedule of events:

- 3:00-short service
- 3:30-music and games and challenges
- 4:00-possible breaking of ground for memorial, discussion of Brayden's Random Acts of Kindness fund.
- 4:30-food will be served (BBQ-Brayden's favorite)
- 4:30-baseball game (please bring a baseball glove if you would like to participate)

Donations towards the Memorial Fund can still be made at the West Plains Bank.

Events

AUG Celebration of Life Service 03:00 PM - 06:00 PM

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Ainsworth - East City Park NE, US

Comments



Brayden was an unique young boy. He could put a smile on anyone's face. He talked to strangers as if he knew them. He was never afraid. He loved to dance and sing all the time. He always would know if I was on the phone with Mom or Macey. He would yell "I want to talk to Bay, Can I talk to her". He always put a smile on my fave even when I was trying to be serious with him. He made a difference in this world and always went out with a BIG BANG!! I love you so much Bubba and am so very proud of you!

Bay (Bailey) - May 31, 2020 at 01:15 AM



I will never forget all the hoops we shot, the golfing, playing football, hitting baseballs, the husker football game, talking for hours on NFL players and more importantly just hanging out together. I will think about you daily and you will never be forgotten.

Grandma and I will always cherish every moment we had with you. We will love you forever.

Papa Mike Carroll - May 31, 2020 at 12:17 AM



So many good memories of Brayden. When Brayden was 4 he stayed with us in Texas he really admired a friend of ours named Carlos and from that point on every man he met in Texas was Carlos. Even when we'd say "that's not Carlos that's so and so" he would say okay. Next thing you know he was calling them Carlos again. That story is one that made me laugh out loud for many years later. I'll have a longing for a big Brayden hug for the rest of my days on this Earth. Love you Brayden!

Uncle Bevan - May 30, 2020 at 02:32 PM



Brayden was a unique, vibrant, brilliant, loving and caring young man. Even though we rarely saw each other, he would give me the biggest, tightest hug...to show me his love.

He always wanted to help me with tasks and was ever so curious! We could have talked for hours if we didn't live so far apart. His red hair, blue eyes and heart tugging smile will always be with me. You are my angel. always. Love, Great Grandma Carroll



I was at your mom's side when you came into this world. I spoke the first words of love you heard. We played hide and seek in an apple orchard, rode bicycles together after dark, walked the dogs, built snowmen, laughed so hard we cried. The last time we saw each other you snuggled in bed with me, and I rubbed your head because it would soothe you. I love you so very much.

Deborah Carroll - May 30, 2020 at 12:10 AM



I remember the first time I saw him...we were working at Ampride together when you brought him in...his smile was contagious then and still is....he was an angel then and will always be....God has one very special Angel ..and his smile will always be shining.....love you all

Betty Allen - May 29, 2020 at 07:28 PM



Brayden will be greatly missed. I always enjoyed him coming to youth group at the connection and seeing him play games, join in on studying God's Word. Brayden made an impression on us all. Grace and peace to you!

Rev. Russell Thayer - May 28, 2020 at 11:38 PM



I loved Brayden's smile! The first time I meet him he just talked up a storm, even though he didn't know me. That gave me a chuckle and I left with a smile for the day. I loved having him come to Wednesday night teens. He really wanted to have a good understanding of what we were reading in the Bible. And he loved being with his friends!

Brianna, Macey, and Bailey, I am praying God will give you comfort and be your strength as you face the days ahead with out your beloved, Brayden. Love and prayers.

Janell Hart - May 28, 2020 at 08:48 PM



I remember when I had to put eyeliner on you for our play in choir! You made me giggle and laugh at the reactions you had towards makeup. I wish i knew you more, but i will forever remember how much you made me laugh. I hope you're dancing up there. See you on the other side, dude.



Tessa Lauer - May 28, 2020 at 07:59 PM



Brayden was such a wonderful kid! He had a way of lighting up a room and he always had the perfect way of making everyone laugh. Although we didn't spend much time together, I will forever remember the amazing person Brayden was, and cherish the memories with him. I love and miss you and your smile Brayden!

Leah McNabb - May 28, 2020 at 07:53 PM



I will always remember the times we hung out! 4th of July, and just hanging in your room! Nothing will stop me from not remembering all the good times we had! I wished I could've been there when you really needed it! I miss you bray! And will always! I love you!



sierra jones - May 28, 2020 at 07:05 PM



Grandpa & Grandma will miss that twinkle in your eye, that ornery grin and the joy you brought to our hearts. Making the decision to give your life to Jesus was the most important decision you made. See you in heaven someday buddy.....love and miss you sweet boy!!!!



Kelly & Angela Flynn - May 28, 2020 at 05:24 PM



I will always remember Brayden's smile! He brought much energy to a room. One memory I'll share is: One night when we were at the Care Center playing Bingo with the residents, Brayden was showing off how strong he was by carrying Makenna around and then having an acrobat (back flips) competition with her. Although our time with Brayden was short, we loved that kid! Briana, Macey, Bailey know that we love you and your family and we are here for you!

Dawn Pierce - May 28, 2020 at 02:30 PM