



Brent Alan Thies, Jr.

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Mr. Brent Alan Thies, Jr., age 18, died as the result of injuries he sustained in a car accident on Friday, August 10, 2007. He was born May 17, 1989 in Muskegon to Brent and Lori (DeNio) Thies and lived in the area his entire life. He graduated last year with honors from Oakridge High School and had planned to begin classes at Muskegon Community College. He was currently working as a cook for Mr. Scrib's Pizza. He was an active member of Grace Memorial Baptist Church. SURVIVORS include his parents, Brent and Lori Thies; 3 brothers, Charles (Jennifer) Passenier, Jr., Timothy (fiancée, Lisa Miller) Girven, Jr., Wesley (Nichole) Girven; maternal grandfather, Paul DeNio, Sr.; paternal grandparents, James Thies and Carol Stiles; 4 nieces and nephews, Camron Passenier, Tyson Passenier, Emma Passenier, and Gage Girven; several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his sister, April Passenier and his maternal grandmother, Jacqueline DeNio. A FUNERAL SERVICE will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, August 15, 2007, at Evanston Avenue Baptist Church with Pastor John Frank officiating. INTERMENT will follow at Egelston Township Cemetery. VISITATION with Brent's family will be 2-4 and 6-8 PM Tuesday at The Sytsema Chapel, Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc., 737 Apple Avenue, (231) 726-5210. MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS may be directed to the family. Sign the guestbook on-line at www.sytsemafh.com



Events

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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, August 14, 2007

 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Sytsema Chapel**

737 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon MI 49442



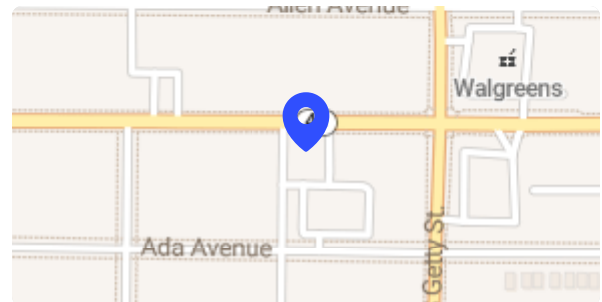
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Anonymous posted:

You don't know us or we you, but we had to write. You see, we lost a daughter in an accident 9 years ago this coming Friday. I know that the many cards and thoughts we received helped so much. Especially from people who had been through the same thing. Knowing that people can make it through something as awful as losing a child... there is nothing worse to go through. Our daughter was in a car with her friend and her friend turned left in front of another vehicle. Same as your situation. Our hearts and minds are with you as you go through the next several months... the old saying "time heals" is true although I still think of our Julie every day. I wish there were words to help you along but there really are none other than I'm sorry. Please know that so many people are thinking of you and praying for your comfort. If you ever need to talk or write, we are in the phonebook. Take care of yourselves and lean on each other and your family for help. Thinking of you daily...Tony and Carla Clark##imported-begin##Carla and Tony Clark##imported-end##

August 22 at 5:51 AM



Anonymous posted:

To the family,I read of your loss and want to express my deepest sympathy. I was very much touched by comments made by family and friends. I can see that you all loved this young man so deeply. Life can be full of so many unexpected problems. And the worse of our problems is Death an enemy of life. Losing a loved one can be devastating, because we have a built-in desire to live and enjoy life with our family and friends. And when we lose our loved one, for what ever reasons we may believe, it is distressing, because we miss them very much. During these times it is especially important to draw close to God in prayer, for the Bible promises that "he himself will sustain you."-Psalm 55:22We also need encouragement and hope so that we can cope with our loss. For that reason, we can be encouraged by reflecting on the promises that God has given us thru his word the Bible, concerning the resurrection hope of seeing our loved ones again. I hope that you find comfort in reading these scriptures. John 11:11-44, John 5:28, 29 and Revelation 21:3, 4. May you all endure this pain and know that "the God of all comfort." (2 Corinthians 1:3) is there for you. My prayers are with your family.Sincerely,Karen Cross##imported-begin##Karen Cross##imported-end##

August 18 at 1:13 PM



Anonymous posted:

I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family. The loss of a young peron is a terrible trauma, it leaves a permanent gap in the lives of the parents. But our God and Heavenly Father promised that he will resurrect those who have fallen asleep in death (John 5:28&29) This scripture and others bring us comfort and encouragement.For further information on what the Bible really teaches contact Jehovah's Witnesses at the local Kingdom Hall in your area.##imported-begin##Linda Harris##imported-end##

August 16 at 10:09 AM



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Anonymous posted:

You have my deepest sympathy. I was a fellow classmate, and a friend to your son, he was an AMAZING person and it saddens me to say that our Senior year was the first year that we became good friends. I have yet to understand why God took someone so young, and someone so great too, and I'm afraid that i might not ever understand it i just have to realize that he is in a better place now, and while that may take a while, and a lot of crying, i will someday. I hate the fact that Brent was only in my life for a short time, but i know that it was Gods plan, Brent has touched my life in many ways and i will never, ever forget him, your little Brent is up in Heaven now, and he is watching over you while God is watching over him until you meet again. God Bless you and may God keep you safe. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for sharing your little Brent with us, even if it was only for a while.Sincerely, Lauren L. Hudson###imported-begin##Lauren Hudson###imported-end##

August 15 at 7:33 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am saddened to learn of the death of your son. I learned of his death from my niece, Durell Cinko. Please know of my prayers for you and your family and of course for my wonderful niece Naomi Cinko. I regret that I am unable to come to Muskegon to meet you. I have forwarded the article from the Muskegon newspaper Durell sent me to my Pastor and asked him to remember you in his prayers and also the "Intercessor Prayer Team" at my church.###imported-begin##Terrance (Terry) Dishneau###imported-end##

August 15 at 2:44 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent. Of all the people this could happen to, you were the last I would've expected. You were the kindest person I knew, and you surely had a bright and powerful future ahead of you. To hear now that your strength, intelligence, and integrity will never again be realized still shocks me into submission. In my heart, you will only be MIA, because, as I'm sure you know, SPARTANS never die. They live forever, as you will in the hearts and minds of those who were lucky enough to have known you. Veya con dios, brother. We'll all miss you and your spiky hair. I salute you and everything you stood for, -979, and I shall fight in your name.Love, Shawn-686 Kandelac###imported-begin##Shawn Kandelac###imported-end##

August 14 at 7:01 PM



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Anonymous posted:

my prayers and thoughts are with the thies family of the loss of their loved one##imported-begin##luann anderson and family##imported-end##

August 14 at 6:28 PM



Anonymous posted:

I had the privilege of being one of Brent's Commercial Art instructors at the Career Tech Center. I am blessed to have had the opportunity to know him. Brent was a wonderful, talented, and caring young man. May God bless your entire family and may he give you strength and help you find peace during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Mrs. Christine Bell##imported-end##

August 14 at 4:55 PM



Anonymous posted:

My prayers go out to you and your family . I was home at the time and never will forget it. Its on my mind deeply and always will be but you must remember, he is the shining star above you and always will be with you.##imported-begin##Jackie Whyatt ##imported-end##

August 14 at 3:45 PM



Anonymous posted:

Thinking of you at this time of sorrow, my thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Joni Bowen##imported-end##

August 14 at 12:33 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent was fun to have in class. I feel very sad that he died so young and so unexpectedly. Mrs. Borowski, Oakridge Substitute Teacher##imported-begin##Glenda Borowski##imported-end##

August 14 at 12:23 PM



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Anonymous posted:

My deepest sympathies. He truly was a wonderful person and will be missed by many.##imported-begin##Michelle Carlson Fletcher##imported-end##

August 14 at 12:10 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our prayers are with you.god has you in his hands. Let him carry you in the days ahead. All our Love Shirley and Joe##imported-begin##Mr.&Mrs.J. Burk##imported-end##

August 14 at 11:29 AM



Anonymous posted:

You are all in my prayers from the time I heard of the accident Sunday night. I remember your son from when he was in the middle school. He was so full of life, and his laugh and smile was often there. He cared about his family and friends, and it was a joy to see him grow and enjoy learning. I know this is a hard time, as any time, when we have to let go of a loved one. My heart is with you and your family, but I know heaven has your special son. May you find comfort in these hard times in the arms of your God. Love and Prayers, Mrs. Barbara Rosema Middle school teacher##imported-begin##Barbara J. Rosema##imported-end##

August 14 at 11:27 AM



Anonymous posted:

Our prayers and thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Roger and Rosalie Hughey##imported-end##

August 14 at 11:13 AM



Anonymous posted:

hey there..i am naomis sister...i thank every1 down there for taking her in and taking care of her...i found the article online with what brents dad said... my prayers are with all of you now and forever!!##imported-begin##durell cinko##imported-end##

August 14 at 10:53 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Brent, It was great working with you. I'll miss you, Pork Chop. Ricky Fitzerald

August 14 at 10:06 AM



Anonymous posted:

To Brent, We will miss you very much, you are such a nice, cool guy. from Sarah and Jenni

August 14 at 10:02 AM



Anonymous posted:

I didn't know Brent as well as i wanted to. I do know that he was a very good person. I wish i would've gotten the chance to know him better. Whenever Brent smiled at church his smile lit up the entire church. We'll all miss him. He's with God now. I wish his family the best of luck now and in the future.

August 14 at 9:59 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent- I'm sure going to miss hearing your voice at Scribs. We always had a thing about asking each other about your dough did we. I will miss you very much Brent. Love, Jess

August 14 at 9:55 AM



Anonymous posted:

To Brent, Lori and family, Your raised such a wonderful young man . He will be sadly missed at Scribs. Pork Chop, I'll miss your smile. From Violet

August 14 at 9:40 AM



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Anonymous posted:

The staff at Oakridge High School offer their condolences to Brent's family. We are always saddened by the loss of life, but it can seem especially painful when thinking of all the potential that a person has when they are Brent's age. Our thoughts and support are with you in this time of loss.##imported-begin##Matt Langlois, Oakridge School Social Worker##imported-end##

August 14 at 7:54 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent, Lori, Chuck, Tim and Wes and all others our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss. May God guide you though this painful time. With all our love The Rulls.##imported-begin##The Rull Family##imported-end##

August 14 at 6:59 AM



Anonymous posted:

I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the entire family, my thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Kim Herzhaft (Green)##imported-end##

August 14 at 6:23 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent was an excellent kid. He was funny, caring, and always had a sense of art when it came to drawing. I as a fellow graduate and friend, will miss him deeply. My prayers are with his family. May they make it through this tradgic time.##imported-begin##Samantha Vanderstelt##imported-end##

August 14 at 5:38 AM



Anonymous posted:

My deepest sympathy to all of you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Susan Rollenhagen##imported-end##

August 14 at 5:37 AM



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Anonymous posted:

We would like to say that it was a blessing to have known Brent. Even though we didn't know him very well, the times that we did see him he always had a smile on his face. We are so sorry for your loss, God bless you and your family. May God bring you comfort and peace."For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that who so ever believeth in him shall not perish, but have ever lasting life in heaven." John 3:16Have faith, this is all apart of God's plan. Someday we will understand why this had to happen. Brent is up in heaven, looking down on us all. He would not want us to be sad, but happy, because he is with God now. And when God feels its our time to go, we will be reunited with him in heaven.We know that Brent has ever lasting life in heaven.You are in our prayers, Autumn Storm and Tasha Johnson###imported-begin##Autumn Storm and Tasha Johnson###imported-end##

August 13 at 9:45 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent, I have only known you a short while as I am the newest employee at Scribs, but Thank You for all your help while I was learning the job. It was a pleasure working with you. Amy###imported-begin##Amy Cochran###imported-end##

August 13 at 8:37 PM



Anonymous posted:

To Brents' family, I am so sorry for your loss. I will pray for you and always treasure the gifts Brent gave me at our Scribs Christmas party. Love, Debbie###imported-begin##Debbie Line###imported-end##

August 13 at 8:16 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Lori, Brent, Chuck, Tim and Westley and the rest of the family,We prayed for your family at our church in Bridgeton on Sunday morning. We never know from one day to next what is going to happen. God has a plan for all of us and sometimes we don't understand but that day will come when we do understand everything. I pray that God will comfort all of you and give you the peace that you need at this time.###imported-begin##Al (Butch) & Sharon (Passenier) Zerns###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dear Lori, Brent and Family No words can express our sadness for your loss. I see Brent sitting at his graduation party taking in all the people there to celebrate his accomplishment and the look of wonder in his eyes was truly inspiring. To think that the light has gone out is truly gut wrenching. But know this, he is loved, he made a difference and most of all he kept his faith. You, your family and the rest of us were truly blessed by knowing him. God speed "Lil Brent".##imported-begin##Gail & Carl Wauer##imported-end##

August 13 at 7:24 PM



Anonymous posted:

WE ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS AND PRAY GOD WILL BRING YOU MUCH NEEDED PEACE AND COMFORT IN THE DAYS AHEAD.##imported-begin##DICK & ELODA LIFER##imported-end##

August 13 at 6:50 PM



Anonymous posted:

Today and always, may loving memories bring you strength, comfort, and peace. Your whole family is in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Rick & Robin (Passenier) Massey##imported-end##

August 13 at 6:40 PM



Anonymous posted:

Hey this is really upsetting, out of all the people in the world it had to be him. Brent I'll really miss you and you're number one in bowling no matter what your score was! To the parents of Brent, I am really sorry about all of this and I wish you guys well. If you guys ever need anything, I'm here.##imported-begin##Kathryn Strait##imported-end##

August 13 at 5:59 PM



Anonymous posted:

Lori, Brent and family. Aug. 13 2007 I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. Take care and remember even though I'm not there doesn't mean I don't care. My thoughts are with you and the whole family. I wish you the best through these tough times. Annette##imported-begin##Annette Bettilyon##imported-end##

August 13 at 5:39 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Brent, Lori, Chuck, Tim & Wesl am so sorry for your loss of Brent. You are in my thoughts and prays. I am sending big hugs for you all. Joan##imported-begin##Jim, Joan, Jen & Jeff##imported-end##

August 13 at 4:22 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Lori, Paul, and families, I only realized tonight when I read the paper, who this young man belonged to. I did not know Brent, but, knowing you and Paul, I'm sure he was a delightful, happy person. My heart goes out to all of you. I can't even imagine the grief and pain you are suffering. I will keep you all in my prayers. God will get you through this. All my love and prayers, Evie (Meijer)##imported-begin##Evie Sias##imported-end##

August 13 at 3:46 PM



Anonymous posted:

I was Brent's art teacher at the Muskegon Area Career Tech Center. He was a delight to have in class, a talented artist with a gift for drawing. His attention for detail was seen in his pencil drawings as well as his spikey blonde hair. It hurts to speak of him in the past tense. He will be missed by many... Your family is in my thoughts & prayers.##imported-begin##Aime Brown##imported-end##

August 13 at 3:15 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent and Family, Our condolences go out to you and your family. No words could express how sorry we are to hear that you have lost your son. If there is anything that you and your family need please let us know.##imported-begin##Jerry and Angela Strobridge##imported-end##

August 13 at 2:51 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent & Lori, I want to extend my sincere sympathy to you & your family. I will continue to uphold you in prayer during this difficult period in your life. Rest assured that Brent is in Heaven and we will all spent eternity together there, where no more tears will dim the eye and sorrows will cease forever. Yours in Christ, Rick Lifer##imported-begin##Rick Lifer##imported-end##

August 13 at 2:26 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all.##imported-begin##Dan & Denise (Little) Jablonski##imported-end##

August 13 at 2:21 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent, Lori and Family - When we heard what happened, our hearts just broke. Brent was such a good kid and we will miss seeing his smile every Sunday. It's unimaginable what you must be going through. Know that we are praying for all of you, and please let us know if we can do anything at all. Love, Denny and J'nai##imported-begin##Denny and J'nai Resterhouse##imported-end##

August 13 at 1:36 PM



Anonymous posted:

We're going to miss you so much Brent. You were probably the coolest person at Scrib's, Definitely the nicest. I'm sad we didn't get to hang out as much as I'd like, but when we did hang out it was way fun. RIP PorkChop.##imported-begin##Stacey Kelley##imported-end##

August 13 at 1:25 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am Ryan and Travis Willea's grandmother, through the years I have had the pleasure of watching Travis and Brent play together. I too feel this loss. "The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7##imported-begin##Betty Blais##imported-end##

August 13 at 1:24 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent worked with me at Mr. Scribs. Although I didn't know him very well, I was very sad to hear what happened. I know that his family must be very devastated by what happened. Brent was a very smart and funny person, and Mr. Scribs will not be the same without him there. I know that his family has heard a million times from a million different people, but I am truly sorry for what has happened to Brent.##imported-begin##Micki Treman##imported-end##

August 13 at 12:36 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Brent and Lori, We are so sorry about your lost, and we know there isn't anything right now that we can say to help you. Please know that we are here and in our prayers. We can almost feel your pain as I lost my younger brother at the age of 17 years in the same way. He was only five years old when Scott was born, so he was as closed to Larry and I as a son. Please take care let us help in any way we can. Your friends in Christ. Larry and Karen Shawl###imported-begin###Karen Shawl###imported-end###

August 13 at 12:32 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am sorry to here about your loss I was a fellow classmate of Brent and He was a great guy. He will be in my Memory and Prayers forever.###imported-begin###Deanna Jablonski###imported-end###

August 13 at 12:25 PM



Anonymous posted:

Pork Chop- You were always so quiet and helpful. When ever someone needed somrthing you were there. I'll miss you so much. It just wasn't your time.Parents and family- You raised a good young man and I am truly sorry for your loss. For such a young and good person to go so suddenly is too sad. My heart is broken for you.###imported-begin###Melissa Fitzgerald###imported-end###

August 13 at 12:21 PM



Anonymous posted:

Lori, Brent, Wesley, Tim, Chuck,My deepest condolences in this time of mourning. I know that words do not exist that can ease your pain. Know that you and yours are in my thoughts and prayers.God Bless,-Adam###imported-begin###Adam Pringle###imported-end###

August 13 at 12:13 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brent and Lori (and the whole family!),we will miss Brent and his faithfulness to the church. he will remain in our hearts as a sweet kid - always smiling!we love you all and are praying for God's peace to cover you at this time.Jef, Andrea and Ashley Aerts###imported-begin###andrea aerts###imported-end###

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Anonymous posted:

Brent, we're going to miss you Pork Chop. Dan and Randy (delivery guys)##imported-begin##Dan Fitzgerald and Randy King##imported-end##

August 13 at 9:53 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent, you will be sadly missed, especially working with you on Mondays. You will always be in my heart. Sal##imported-begin##Phyllis Garza##imported-end##

August 13 at 9:30 AM



Anonymous posted:

I will never forget how much Wyatt always talked about Brent when he used to go there and get babysat. He was always such a polite kid whenever we would see him. The closeness of your family will help with the sadness at this time.The Hilton Family (Tim, Jenny & Wyatt)##imported-begin##Jenny Hilton##imported-end##

August 13 at 7:58 AM



Anonymous posted:

To Lori, Brent and family, Even tho his fire was extinguished too early, he had a positive impact on everyone he met. He could always bring a smile to anyone who needed it. He will be sadly missed but he will never be forgotten in my heart. From Melanie.##imported-begin##Melanie Hoag##imported-end##

August 13 at 7:43 AM



Anonymous posted:

My deepest sympathies are with your family. May God watch over you.Mary Schalk(mother of Garrett Nederhoed, classmate of Brent)##imported-begin##Mary M. Schalk##imported-end##

August 13 at 7:00 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Our prayers are with you and your family. I'm very glad I met Brent he was a very nice person, and loved by many. Knowing he is with his Father in Heaven is the only comfort any of us can take part in.##imported-begin##Fred and Ollie Spier##imported-end##

August 13 at 6:32 AM



Anonymous posted:

I wish there was something we can do for you all. You are my church family. My prayers are with all of you. Love, Brenda##imported-begin##Brenda Neuman##imported-end##

August 13 at 6:10 AM



Anonymous posted:

We are really sorry to here about your loss. It is a very sad thing that happen. Our hopes and prayers are with you. Take good care ov yourselves. He is a good person.##imported-begin##The Bisson Family##imported-end##

August 13 at 5:54 AM



Anonymous posted:

Brent & Lori, Thank you for sharing Brent with us . May our faith hold strong during this time of sorrow. (Mr. Scribs family : Jan, Sal, Melanie, Derrek, Stacey, Dan, Randy, Melissa, Micki, Jessica, Violet, Ricky, Amy, Shawn, Craig, Debbie, Tom & Patti##imported-begin##Jan Fitzgerald##imported-end##

August 13 at 5:45 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Brent Alan by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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