

Bradley A. Blanchard

June 9, 1980 - April 20, 2010

Bradley A. Blanchard, 29, passed away Tuesday afternoon, April 20, 2010, at his residence in Coloma.

Funeral services celebrating his life will be held at 3:00 P.M., Saturday, April 24, at the Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, 249 E. Center St., in Coloma, with minister Ray Manning officiating. Visitation will be held Saturday from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the funeral home prior to the memorial service. Memorials may be made to the Bradley Blanchard Children Education Fund at Chemical Bank .Memorials may be sent to www.florin.net.

Brad was born June 9, 1980, in Saint Joseph to his loving parents Cheryl and James Blanchard. As a young adult, Brad became enamored with art, both in the sculpture and canvas formats. As his artistic interest grew, so to, did his desire to perfect his talent. He worked diligently at perfecting his craft while he attended and graduated from Coloma High School. While in school Brad was an accomplished artist, having much of his work submitted and awarded at school art shows as well as Southwest Michigan art shows.

In his leisure time, Brad enjoyed the competition of video games and just “hanging out” with his friends. He cherished the time he spent with his loving family, but most of all, Brad treasured his time with his “greatest masterpiece”, his daughter Jade Isabella.

Brad is survived by his daughter, Jade Miller-Blanchard; his mother Cheryl and Donald Sonnenberg of Sawyer; his father James and Kathleen Blanchard of Coloma; brother Michael and Christie Blanchard of Coloma; three special nephews, Jordan, Devin and Brendon Blanchard; grandparents Hershall and Novida Manning of Talapoosa, MO, Ronald and Joy Blanchard of St Joseph, step-siblings, Kelly Chavez, Kami Milnickel, Kassie Thomas, Brianna Sonnenberg and Nathan Sonnenberg; aunts Karen Wrinkle, Mary Price, Nancy Moore, Kim Blanchard; uncles Dwight Manning, Gregg Blanchard, Johnny Price, Steve Moore; several cousins and extended relatives; and special friends Loretta Nelson, Priscilla Nelson, Brian Wier, Chris Wier and Will Klann.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



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Brenda McMillin - April 24, 2010 at 12:40 PM



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william klann - April 24, 2010 at 10:09 AM



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william klann - April 24, 2010 at 10:00 AM



“ Brad, you were my best friend growing up. You and your family helped me out through the worst of times. We had endless hours of laughter, we loved all the same things and I promise you I will carry them on to the best of my powers. i am so sorry that this had to happen to you like this. If I could I would trade you places in a hart beat. you are my brother and you will be forever missed. Love you always.
Billy.

william klann - April 24, 2010 at 09:59 AM



“ Brad my dear friend, smile down on us from heaven! you will be greatly missed.
Love always and thinking of you,
XOXO Amy Englehardt

Amy Englehardt - April 24, 2010 at 08:22 AM



“ I don't know what to say. I am just thinking of the loss and how it has a rippling effect. When a stone is dropped into the water, the stone may make a splash and disappear, but the ripple is far reaching. Your death affects many. My prayers are with those that have had the pleasure of being associated with you during your brief visit on planet Earth. Until we meet again....

Your great uncle Richard
Waco, Texas 76706-3741

Nancy Moore - April 23, 2010 at 12:29 PM



“ *Brad the unknow Artist who will remain in our hearts forever. I love Aunt Nancy*

Nancy Moore - April 23, 2010 at 12:03 PM



“ *Brad you were a good person and I am sorry you are gone we will all miss you*

Rhonda Coulson - April 23, 2010 at 10:34 AM



“ *Candle lit by*



william klann - April 22, 2010 at 09:18 PM

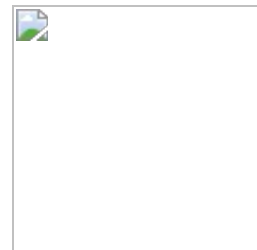


“ *Brad, you will be missed soooo damn much. You were my brother, my friend. We spent the last 20 years together, now i will carry on your memory and the joys of how much you loved everyone. i love you dude.*

william klann - April 22, 2010 at 09:14 PM



“ *Rest in peace Dear Brad, forever in our hearts. Love cousins, Amanda, Angela, Eric Manning*



Brenda McMillin - April 22, 2010 at 01:48 PM