



Brent Allyn Svor

October 15, 1971 - November 7, 2020

Svor, Brent Allyn age 49 of St. Louis Park, MN passed away unexpectedly on November 7, 2020 of a ruptured aneurysm of the ascending aorta. Brent was a beloved and devoted husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend. Brent's life centered around his family and friends. He had a huge heart, a sense of humor, and unwavering love for his children and wife. They spent most days together building Lego sets, setting up train tracks, pizza parties, ECFE gatherings and just catching up with friends and family. Brent was a Minnesota State High School League and a NCAA Division II and III Men's Basketball Official. He loved being part of the game. Brent was a 1990 graduate of Armstrong High School. Graduate of St. Cloud State University and earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. Brent was a long-time employee at TCF Financial where he worked as a tax analyst. He is survived by his wife, Andrea; their children Eden (8) and Mason (7); parents, Spencer and Gail Svor; sister, Tricia (Jeff) Gallup; niece Haley, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends. Also survived by loving members of the Willenbring and Johnson families. Brent is preceded in death by grandparents Irvin and Berdina Svor and Alfred and Phoebe Haben. A Memorial Visitation will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 10am-Noon at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, West 50th St. and Vernon Ave @ Hwy 100. A PRIVATE memorial service will be held at 1pm Saturday, November 14th. To virtually view the live-streamed memorial service and for Condolences Washburn-McReavy.com and click on Brent's obituary. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the family to help establish funds for the children. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Events

NOV **Visitation** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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Edina Chapel

5000 West 50th & Highway 100, Edina, MN, US, 55436

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Washburn-McReavy - November 11, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ Brent was a cousin that I knew from childhood. The one memory that has always stuck with me is when I was in college I had an extra North Stars ticket so I called Spenser and Gale to see if I could take Brent (I believe he was 12 at the time). They checked with Brent and he was ready to go. We went and sadly the North Stars lost 2-0. I always remember how upset he was that they had not even scored a goal while we were there. I also remember he liked dinosaurs when he was a kid. We kept in touch on occasion and always had something to talk about. He was a great guy and always enjoyed the time we were able to spend together. He will be missed and always remembered.

Lee - November 11, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ Thank you for sharing this wonderful service. Such wonderful stories of such a great person. I am praying for his family and his friends

Susan Vold Nicholson

Susan - November 14, 2020 at 02:51 PM



“ What a beautiful service, oh to be loved like Brent! What a difference he made in so many lives, his legacy will truly live on.

May his loss be a lesson and reminder to each of us to live, laugh, love, cherish every moment!

Much love to all who knew him, especially his wonderful parents and family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Patty Vold

Patty Vold - November 14, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ Such wonderful tributes during this service...I think one of the quotes that epitomizes Brent is "That we are all better people for having met and been around Brent". I am fortunate to have been able to be with him on numerous occasions. And yes, the last speaker summed things up well saying that Brent gave you that piercing stare of attention when he asked about you-he gave us the gift of his presence. Peace to the Svor family. I will miss you Brent.

Jeremiah - November 14, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ Nice tribute to Brent. Hugs and prayers sent!

carol davidson - November 15, 2020 at 10:23 AM



“ I am shocked and deeply saddened to learn of Brent's passing. From my high school prom to college and many years after through highs and lows in each others lives, Brent and the memories will always hold a special place in my heart. To Gail, Spencer, Tricia and his immediate family I am sending my prayers and deepest sympathy to you. Brent was truly an amazing person.
~Sheila Johnson

Sheila Johnson - November 14, 2020 at 01:21 PM



“ Please know we are thinking of you at this difficult time of grieving and that we are here for you. Brent truly was a wonderful person and will forever be in our thoughts and memories. Our heartfelt condolences go out to yours and Brents family. May the support of all your family and friends help you through this challenging time.

Dennis & Jane Waltets - November 14, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ Over the years the times we saw each other grew further apart as that tends to be the case as we both grow older and take on more responsibilities. But my favorite memory of "Doc" as we called him, was a time a few years back while fishing at "Cheese's" cabin. Brent didn't fish, as I don't recall him ever fishing, but we chatted in the boat about current events, our shared displeasure with "gardy's" managerial style, and talked about life in general. It was a great day. I don't recall any fish being caught. But that wasn't the point. I got to spend the afternoon chatting with a great person and a friend. I will miss Doc. I'm glad he was a part of my life.
Todd "tl" LaVold.

Todd LaVold - November 14, 2020 at 12:16 PM



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~Sheila Johnson

Sheila - November 14, 2020 at 12:52 PM



“ I have so many memories of Brent that it is hard to put them all in words. We worked our first game together when I was a fill in for a girls varsity basketball game and his partner didn't show. I was terrified but we got through it, perhaps because he was such good women's basketball official. This grew and we worked games and traveled all over the state together. I still recall traveling back from a playoff game in Benson and as I had a few beverages I witnessed Brent finish a full box of pop-tarts. it was an amazing feat!

Whether it was reffing basketball, running a Tough Mudder, wondering around Las Vegas or our quarterly parent meetings with Andrea at the bars in St. Paul Brent always had a smile on his face and was so fun to be around. He will truly be missed.

Jason Naber - November 14, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Brent Allyn Svor.



November 14, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ Brent was a kind, dependable, brother-in-law and uncle to our children, Zoe and Audrey, as well as a dedicated and loving husband to Andrea and father to Eden and Mason. Our families get together many times a year to celebrate our various birthdays and holidays.

One year we tried something new and decided to play bocce ball even though we thought we didn't know anything about the game. Brent surprised us all with his detailed knowledge of the rules and instructions on how to play. Our daughter Zoe had experienced some challenges at school and was feeling pretty down on herself. Brent patiently walked us through the game, even taking it seriously with toddlers as team mates. Zoe rose to the occasion and kicked all our butts. Her spirits and confidence were lifted because she was able to win while strictly following the rules Brent taught us.

We will miss our sports guy dearly and will think of him fondly, especially when we play sports...poorly.

Sonia Walters - November 14, 2020 at 01:30 AM



“ * our sports guy.

Sonia - November 14, 2020 at 01:33 AM



“ -From Keith and Sonia Walters

Sonia - November 14, 2020 at 01:34 AM



“ Mike and I are lucky to be a part of the people who got to know Brent through ECFE. Of the entire group, Brent was the most reserved...until one night. We all needed a parents night out, as we rarely got to spend time with one another where we could have a conversation that wasn't interrupted by the kids. Mike and I hosted an 80s prom night and the whole ECFE crew participated in decorating, costumes and a potluck of bad 80s food that included punch and cheez whiz. Little did we know this would be the night that Brent would shine. From the moment he walked through the door, he became his character, Bobby Backer -- captain of the Raven's basketball team. Watching Brent act as someone else actually allowed us to see him more fully. Little did we know he would be the life of the party and the last person to leave that night. We will remember him as he was that day, laughing and beaming with his huge smile. The same smile that shines so brightly on Mason's face. Rest in peace friend, Nikki & Mike



Nikki Madsen and Mike Birawer - November 14, 2020 at 12:32 AM



“ Like a few of us I knew Brent through a small circle of families that met through Early Childhood Family Ed classes in St. Louis Park. Essentially group therapy, we processed our sleepless deprived child rearing successes and failures together. It was intense. I may speak for myself mostly here in that we looked up to Brent. He was a little older, more established and seemingly organized than us.

As we started to hang out more just socially I found that first impression to be more and more true. Brent was always in Dad mode, he was just so genuinely present in what the kids were up to and making the best moments for them. I thought he had less of a tendency to goof off a little while the kids were occupied and regain small moments of adult interaction. But I was wrong, there was plenty of adult fun in him.

Some of the best moments were when he peaked out from behind the super dad exterior and gave us a wink or let loose when we were away from the kids. It didn't get much better than Brent singing on the river tube trips, nerding out on the cultural impact of Malibu Express or overly intellectual processing of whatever was in his beer cooler.

Still his Dadness cannot be given enough credence here. He was so amazing around his kids and ours he made me always want to do better. When our youngest demonstrated an interest in the vikings game on TV one random Sunday, Brent hung out with him like best buds answering a barrage of 3yo questions for about two hours. He looked genuinely thrilled to just hang and talk football, with a 3yo.

Whether it was cultivating the burgeoning 3yo's sports fascination, role modeling present parenting for a 30yo, or romancing movies at about a 13yo maturity level Brent was an all's round wonderful human. He made an impact in our lives and it's just so sad. I will miss him and try to be at least half the example for others as he was to me.

Ross Teichner - November 13, 2020 at 10:34 PM



“ I met Brent in ECFE when Eden and my son, Max were just about 6 months old. 8 years of raising kids together and it feels like we have known each other for much longer. Through all the classes, gatherings, playdates, park meetups, holiday celebrations and cabin time, Brent was always there with a huge smile, positive attitude and willingness to help. Whether it was cutting the watermelon perfectly, making sure the kids had plenty of juice boxes and the adults had plenty of beer, or helping to get things cleaned up, Brent was always there. If the kids needed a push on a swing, someone to chase them or throw a ball with them, Brent was there. Whether he was playing trains with Mason or princesses with Eden, he loved his kids and would do anything for them. Eden, Mason and Andrea were everything to him.

Brent was a truly caring, selfless person. Our ECFE family will never be the same without him and he will be greatly missed.

Andrea, Eden and Mason- we love you and are always here for you.

Carolyn Teichner

Carolyn Teichner - November 13, 2020 at 10:25 PM



“ Shortly after I started working for Winthrop in 2007, Brent came up to me and asked, big surprise here, if I played basketball. He said some of the guys would play over the lunch hour so I started joining them. That is how our friendship began and I'm so glad it grew from there.

What I remember about Brent, besides the incredible penmanship and the fact that he never looked like he aged, was how he was always there. Some people are there when you need them. Brent took it to the next level and had a knack for knowing if an occasion meant something to someone, he would be there supporting them. Birthday parties, a going away happy-hour for a co-worker, Christmas parties, you name it and he wouldn't miss it. This is just one of many remarkable traits of someone who was stolen from all of us much too early.

Brent truly was one of the great guys and if we had more like him, this world would be a much better place.

Prayers for Andrea, Eden, Mason and all the family and friends that have been hit hard by this painful loss.

Aaron Kalata - November 13, 2020 at 09:57 PM



“ I met Brent about 10 years ago when I joined a book club that he and Andrea were a part of. From the beginning, I always found Brent to be very down earth and easy to talk to. I enjoyed his wry sense of humor, and his ability to make me laugh at myself. I will miss his welcoming smile, when I go visit Andrea and the kids. He will leave a void in so many peoples' lives, including my own.

Tracy Earl - November 13, 2020 at 09:41 PM



“ The first time Maddie and I had the pleasure of meeting Brent was in Chicago on August 8, 2010, which happened to also coincide with the day he proposed to our cousin Andrea. Not only was it an honor to be present on that day, laughing and embracing on our balcony overlooking the city, but it warms our hearts to remember seeing how much Brent adored Andrea in the way she always deserved.

While we've lived in different cities since then, the happiest of occasions have brought us together: their wedding in Minnesota, our wedding in Chicago, Axel & Emma's wedding in Kansas City and Allegra & Al's wedding in California. I don't know if it was their dance moves or something else, but there was always this gravitational pull we felt toward Andrea and Brent. They just felt like lifelong best friends who had a sense of humor that would bring you to tears and make your abs sore the next morning.

We feel so fortunate that the times we shared shared with Brent were all days dedicated to celebrating love. It's the word that best describes what we saw in his eyes when he talked about Andrea and his children, and the one we'll always think of when remembering him.

Thank you for being you, Brent. We miss you.

Love,

Jonathan, Maddie, Ella & Murphy



Jonathan Allan - November 13, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ Brent was a valued member of the TCF tax team. He was always willing to help out others and answer questions. It was always fun talking with him about basketball and he had great stories about refereeing. The love he had for his family was apparent. He always had smile on his face when he would talk about his family. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

Joe Kautt - November 13, 2020 at 08:07 PM



“ I knew Brent (a lot of us called him "Doc" since he was smarter than all of us) since high school and the memories go back since then. From Analysis class with Mr. Svihel to hanging out and visiting the boys up at Saint Cloud State watching the Twins win the 91 World Series to golfing at a stag party when Brent rolled out of the golf cart and rolled down to the bottom of the Hill. I went to go pick him up and all he was doing was lying there laughing. But the best memory that I had with Brent was the night that he helped me move into my 1st home 25 years ago in Plymouth. It didn't take too long to move in because all I had was a bed, a dresser and some clothes. So, early that night we headed up to the Medina Ballroom where we had a fun time. We ran into a few people and I exchanged phone numbers with a beautiful young lady. I told her I would call her later that weekend on Sunday. Sunday came and I was a bit too chicken to call and did not always have the best luck with the ladies. Brent happened to be over watching the Vikings Games, so I had Brent call her for me instead. It was a pretty comical phone conversation because he had to keep asking me questions about how many siblings I had and other questions he had no idea how to answer. Needless to say he did set up the date for me and the rest is history. That beautiful lady is my wife today. Thank you to Brent. I will truly miss you buddy. You were truly one of my best friends.

Your friend,

Brian (you usually called me "Cheese") Leonard

Brian Leonard - November 13, 2020 at 07:30 PM



“ Brent always showed up. He was always excited to see you. He always made you feel like he cared more about what was going on with you than he cared to talk about himself.

Brent was also a neat freak. We would go over to their house and the kids would be tearing up the playroom (or entire house) as usual, and it was always kind of funny watching Brent and knowing it was taking everything in him not to clean it up. He hated messes yet he loved seeing people more. He put up with the chaos and disorganization with a smile on his face and never once made anyone feel anything but completely welcome.

Brent and I carpoled up north to our friend's cabin this summer and we had some really good conversations in the car. I felt like I got to know him on a deeper level in those 4 hours of kid free time. It was really nice learning about some of his quirks and also hearing how much he loved his kids. I am happy I got to have those drives with him and am sad there won't be more. I'm going to miss him.

-Andy Cook

Andy Cook - November 13, 2020 at 06:01 PM



“ I knew Brent since Crystal Little League, he was a Yankee, me a Brave. I was a pitcher and he was a great hitter. We faced off many times through the years. I think we came out pretty even in our success rate versus each other.

But, for some inexplicable reason, and more often than not, I'd bean him or throw a fastball near his head. This was seemingly more times than not, oops...He'd always stare back at me while just outside the batter's box. I'd get that "Svor look" with his piercing blue eyes, it was rather intimidating. I thought he may charge the mound at any time, haha...

Later in life, we'd jokingly talk about our baseball magnetism between each other.

In high school, we were baseball teammates at Armstrong High School. It was a nice change not having to face him anymore, but now we'd face the opposition together!

Post high school, and for many years, we played on the same softball squad together...

Brent was a great guy and a close friend. I miss him dearly and I will always remember and cherish our friendship.

- Todd Proctor



Todd Proctor - November 13, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ I've been privileged to work with Brent these last 3 years, though this last year has been more difficult than the previous two. Brent has been employed at TCF Bank for nearly 19 years and was known for his easy manner, likeability, and as a sports guy. Brent enjoyed playing basketball and working out during the lunch hour but was always at his desk when I needed him. Always willing to jump into a project to help out. Always had the answer close at hand before I really knew what I was asking.

He said I was his boss, but I generally told folks I worked for him. The pride he took in his work showed in all things, especially his immaculate work papers (thanks, mom), and was overshadowed only by his love for his family. We talked about kids, Legos, sports, grilling huge chunks of meat, and, occasionally, beer. Brent always worked hard and early and when he had to and made the most of his time for his family and his love of sports. We talked about his travels throughout the state refereeing and he was meant for that.

When I heard he had passed, it hit me like a ton of bricks. The team and I will always miss him, never forget him, and pray for Andrea, Eden and Mason.

Godspeed, Brent. See you soon.

Robert Kruger - November 13, 2020 at 03:01 PM



“ The TCF Bank Tax Team purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Brent Allyn Svor.



The TCF Bank Tax Team - November 13, 2020 at 09:59 AM



“ When I heard my close college friend Andrea had met this special person, Brent, I was so excited. And as my husband and I got to know Brent, we knew he was special too. I can still remember their wedding day and the joy that was apparent in their relationship. And that joy that was apparent every time we all were together — when it was us adults or when we added kids to the mix. We had such good times — whether it was time in Colorado, running around the MN Zoo, or in bowling in Burnsville. In the last few years, we would typically see Brent for a short time, but he would then chase after Mason to keep him safe, while letting Andrea and I catch up and talk. Brent, you truly were such a special person and you will be missed in so many ways. ~Julie Lazaroff

Julie Lazaroff - November 13, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ I am deeply saddened by the news of Brent's passing. A high school teacher of mine relayed a set of rules that I've learned to cope with.

1. Life is not fair.
2. There's no changing rule number 1.

And in my amount of living since, here's my addition to those rules...

3. There are people along the way that will make the world a fairer, better place.

Brent was one of those people.

But let's take it up a notch. The memory I'd like to share is when a group of the ECFE guys got together up north and did some tubin' down the river. A couple of Spotted cows might have been enjoyed along the way. We had the tunes blasting. At one point, the dial hit Peter Cetera's "You're the Inspiration". Picture it. A group of grown men belting out this song at the top of our lungs and no member was more prominent than Brent with a big smile on his face giving it all he had.

You were a good man to float down the river with Brent and I'm going to miss you.

--Dave Bohmann

Dave Bohmann - November 12, 2020 at 11:29 PM



“ Years ago, Andrea dated an attractive tall guy named Brent who liked sports and, I was told, wore nice shoes. I was impressed by him and he treated Andrea very well so when he asked my permission to marry Andrea, I willingly agreed. Andrea married Brent ten years ago. Brent was on awfully nice guy with unlimited energy. He always had one eye on sports while doing household chores, actively parenting the kids and partnering with Andrea. Over time we became closer to Brent and he became closer to us. I was told, in jest, Brent never held a paint brush or a screw driver before meeting Andrea but he eagerly did an excellent job installing a kitchen faucet and ceiling lights with very little coaching. He and Andrea volunteered to help us install porch decking. His spatial ability and strength permitted us to complete the job far quicker than I had expected. Eden and Brent did puzzles and Lego projects at lightning speed. His interactions with Eden taught her invaluable people skills. When they would visit us, Eden would shop for clothes on Leslie’s computer; Andrea would catch up on sleep on our couch or answer work Emails; and Brent would wrestle with Mason on the carpet with Brent putting Mason in various wrestling holds while they squirmed around trying to tickle each other as Mason laughed his guts out. Brent was a supportive partner to Andrea, an excellent parent and a wonderful son-in-law. Brent’s passing is like coming home and discovering your house and belongings have disappeared forever. Words cannot express how much we will miss Brent!

Armer Willenbring – Brent’s father-in-law

ARMER WILLENBRING - November 12, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ I will always remember Brent as a devoted father and husband with a wry sense of humor. My kids and I went camping with his family and my aunt and uncle each summer, and we always had a great time playing with our kids but also commiserating about parenting! Brent was always friendly and easy to talk to, and I could see how happy he made Andrea and how much his children love him. He will be missed by everyone in our family.

Alana Keynes

Alana Keynes - November 12, 2020 at 01:32 PM



“ I will never forget hearing about Brent on one of my daily walks with Andrea. We talked about all her not so great dates and then there was this new guy and the more I listened I thought wow this guy seems amazing!!!
I lived next door from the day they met.
I never saw Brent outside running to our cars in the winter without a hi and a smile:)
Brent was so present and involved with his kids and even my kids!
So many many memories.
His love and passion for basketball was something we talked about every time we saw each other. He was always asking about what team my son was on and wanted all the details. Who wants all the details on a 4th graders basketball journey? He did and we could always feel the love!
The last time we hung out recently Brent literally played tag with all the neighborhood kids, my kids, and his until he was sweaty and tired! Andrea and I were able to chat and catch up.
Then we were able to sit and have adult time and drinks of course but we could have talked for hours. He always listened and had a smile just the best friend, husband and dad anyone could ever ask for.
I miss him already but the next time there is a horrible call at a basketball game I will always think of Brent and the drinks and chats that would follow:)

kate mauzy - November 12, 2020 at 12:15 PM



“ I’m typing this with a heavy heart as I try to come to grips with the passing of my good friend Brent. Many thoughts and memories are stirring in my mind:

- Playing traveling basketball together
- Putting up with shenanigans from Mark Swanovich and I as we would try to distract Brent from studying in homeroom at Armstrong High School
- Brent’s perfect writing that had typewriters and computers jealous
- His affinity for raisins and ability to eat them by the pound
- Good times with Brent and Mark rooming together for several years in St. Cloud and Eagan
- Playing softball together
- Fun times going out at St. Cloud State
- Hanging out and watching football on Sundays
- Trips to Chicago, Green Bay and Denver to watch sporting events
- Teaming up in Fantasy Football in what was said to be a league of Fantasy Football gurus and getting 3rd place, 2nd place and 1st place in the 3 years we played together
- Competing against our arch-rivals (and good friends) - the dreaded duo of Derek “Big D” Nyhus and Jim “Sparky” Koltes in 2 on 2 touch football
- Attending the Minnesota Craft Beer Fest the last several years
- And just hanging out together and talking throughout the years

Brent, Mark and I got together at Wooden Hill Brewery in Edina last November. The three of us hadn’t gotten together in many years as we all got busy with family, work and life. We had a great conversation and it was like our friendships didn’t skip a beat as we shared old stories, laughed a lot and caught up regarding our families, work and life in general. I’m very thankful that we were able to have that one last night out together as close friends and former roommates. I’m also so thankful that Brent and Andrea found each other. It was very apparent how much Brent loved Andrea, Mason and Eden and that he cherished every minute of his life with them. At the end of the night as we were walking to our cars, Brent asked us to come over to his car where he gave us each several bottles of Spotted Cow beer to take home with us. Spotted Cow is a beer that can only be bought in Wisconsin. He claimed that he wasn’t going to be able to drink it. I’m confident he would have had an easy time enjoying it, but got more pleasure out of giving us that gift versus having it himself. That is just the kind of selfless individual Brent was. People who really knew him know that he was a fun, kind-hearted, generous soul with a good sense of humor who got real joy out of doing nice things for others.

My condolences go out to Andrea, Mason, Eden, Spencer, Gail, Tricia, Jeff, Haley and the rest of the Svor, Willenbring and Johnson families. Brent was a terrific person and he will be dearly missed by all who got the chance to know him.

Chad Szumylo



“ When I think of Brent, immediately I think of the swirl of energy of our kids underfoot. Every conversation and interaction we had took place with the background music of the kids laughing, greeting each other as kids do— running, and squealing with joy. When we were new parents, I remember so clearly early morning daycare drop offs, with Eden as a toddler in one of her various princess dresses...running through the doors to tell Elliot that her dad let her have candy before school.... and Brent muttering it was the only way he could her her out the door....
My all-time favorite Brent moments, that are already carefully preserved in our hearts, are him setting up the backyard inflatable water slide that had more than a few leaks...and at least one roll of duct tape holding it together. Brent had to maintain and tweak the slide nonstop, there was no rest, to keep it intact...but of course he did, simply because of the joy it brought the kids. Thank you for all of the joy you provided our kids, Brent.

Lisa Radzak - November 12, 2020 at 06:31 AM



“ As soon as I heard about my uncles passing, I could not stop thinking about these 2 pictures. When I was about 2 years old, Brent and I were sitting on my grandmas front step eating popsicles. I had a purple one and he had an orange one. My mom was outside taking pictures of us and I eventually let him have a taste of mine, it took a while but I let him have it, and I will never forget about that picture or that day. All of the Christmas's we spent together, Thanksgivings, Easters, weddings and so much more, I will never go a day without thinking of you. You will forever be missed and I love you so much.

Haley Gallup - November 11, 2020 at 11:37 PM



“ I was so sad to hear about Brent's passing. I Met Brent and Andrea when our daughters were in daycare together before the age of one. My family has had the privilege of spending time with Brent and his family. He was so loving to his family and always made sure people were taken care of. His love for picking up the play room never went unnoticed. He will truly be missed. Heather Berglund and family

heather berglund - November 11, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ I was so sorry to read this news about Brent. He officiated many of our games over the years and was a fantastic official. I always enjoyed our conversations and appreciate that he was willing to give back to the game of basketball and the kids. He was just a class act. My heartfelt sympathies to his family. He will be missed.

Dave Leiser
Head Boys Basketball Coach
Mounds View High School

David Leiser - November 11, 2020 at 10:13 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Brent Allyn Svor.



November 11, 2020 at 08:49 PM



“ Camping

For the past several summers my husband, Armer, and I have gone on summer camping vacations with Brent, Andy, Eden and Mason. I love to cook (and eat) and I always looked forward to enjoying Brent's homemade turkey burgers, especially cooked on the grill. They were delicious! I've tried using his recipe and making them myself but they just don't taste the same. Brent was a master of grilling, not only of turkey burgers, but steak, hamburgers, brats, chicken, fish, vegetables and especially pineapple. He helped make our camping trips adventurous and fun!

Playing with his Children

During those same summer vacations, we always stayed at a campground having a swimming pool. Eden loves the water and is quite a good swimmer. She and Brent had such a good time playing in the water. Brent would throw her up in the air and she would land in the water. They both laughed a lot and had a wonderful time.

I really enjoyed having the family come to our house for dinner. After dinner, Eden would shop for clothes on my computer and Andy would rest on the sofa or answer text messages. Brent and Mason would engage in a wrestling and tickling session. Brent would grab Mason in different wrestling holds and tickle him so both would be laughing uncontrollably. Such fun!

He was a great, caring father and a wonderful person!! I will never forget those happy memories of Brent! I will deeply miss him.

Leslie Laub, stepmother-in-law

LESLIE LAUB - November 11, 2020 at 06:13 PM



“ Debbie Szumylo is following this tribute.

Debbie Szumylo - November 11, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ I'll always appreciate Brent's commitment to Jeopardy and his use of spreadsheets. His personality will always hold a special place in my heart.

We will miss you Brent.

Colleen and Andy Daman

Colleen Daman - November 11, 2020 at 02:24 PM



“ Was so sad to read the text of Brent's passing. He was a top notch official and always brought a high level of professionalism into his efforts on the court. So many players benefitted from his dedication and focus to simply make every game important. My condolences to the Svor Family. Basketball in Minnesota won't be the same without his friendly face and smile. Sending prayers from Colorado State Basketball -----

Dave Thorson

Dave Thorson - November 11, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ If someone asked me to describe Brent in one phrase, it would be "good human." He was kind, thoughtful, and so devoted to his family. We have known Brent and Andrea since our children were in ECFE together as babies. Our first kids were born just days apart, and I really feel like we all learned how to do this whole parenting thing together. I looked up to Brent as a parent--he was always so present with the kids and you just knew without a doubt they were his world.

I have a lot of great memories, but for some reason this is the Brent story that I keep coming back to. One evening last summer, Andrea and Brent had taken the kids to a park and Eden was stung by a couple hornets while doing the monkey bars. The next day, Andrea and I were up at our friend's cabin for "moms weekend", and she was talking to Brent on the phone. Turns out, he had taken the kids back to the same park from the night before in an attempt to get revenge on the nasty bees that attacked Eden. I remember her getting a string of texts with bee hunting updates until he gleefully announced that he had "killed the little suckers" (or something like that!)

It was kind of a silly thing, but it shows the depth of love Brent had for his kids, and the lengths he'd go to protect them from anything that caused them harm.

Brent has left a hole that will be impossible to fill. He will be greatly missed.

Kristin Cook - November 11, 2020 at 12:56 PM



“ We met Brent, Andrea, Eden and Mason when we were in ECFE classes with Ms. Peggy. Many fun get-togethers happened over the last 8 years for both kids and grownups: parties, park play dates, etc., as well as running into Brent at school pickups and events. I was always amazed at the number of fun things Brent and Andrea were doing with their kids, out and about having fun. Such a fun, nice guy and caring dad. Maia Seitz

Maia Seitz - November 11, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ I remember seeing Brent for the first time. He was walking up to our friend and neighbor Andrea’s house for their first date. He had a confident stride and a comfortable smile. I recall shouting to my wife to ‘come see Andrea’s date...he’s very handsome!’ Of course, many dates and the building of a wonderful family followed. We got to know Brent during those years. He was easy to talk with, always quick with a smile, and good company. The families are no longer neighbors but will always be friends. We will miss Brent.

Our deepest sympathies,
Suong, Joe, Sam and Bailey Goodhart

joe goodhart - November 11, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ It is with great sadness I heard of the passing of a longtime friend, Brent Svor.

Brent was simply one of the best. He was a kind, caring, straightforward and loyal individual. He always took time to chat, greeted you with a smile and asked how things were going. I had the pleasure of officiating hundreds of games with Brent, from youth basketball tournaments on the weekends, to AAU summer games as well as varsity basketball contests throughout the winter. Brent was an outstanding and well respected sports official. He worked hard, was professional and had integrity. No matter how great he was as an official, he was even a better person off the court!

I consider it a huge blessing to have met Brent and to call him a friend.

The world is a much better place because of you Brent!

I will miss you dearly my friend, rest in peace!

Rob Nudell

Rob Nudell - November 11, 2020 at 09:56 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Brent Allyn Svor.



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