



Brendan Mathew Stevenson

July 26, 1974 - August 29, 2024

Brendan Mathew Stevenson, a cherished husband, father, son, brother, and friend, passed away on August 29, 2024 after a valiant fight with cancer. Brendan was born July 26, 1974 to Ben and Brenda Stevenson in Osage, IA. He was the first person from his family to graduate from college earning his BA in accounting from St. John's University. He quickly rose through the ranks at Hormel Foods to become the Controller/Treasure for their international business in China. He did this by always saying yes to opportunities presented to him even when they seemed daunting. A lesson he would repeat and teach throughout his life.

Brendan met Andrew Shimek in 2002 and quickly developed a deep and profound connection. They shared a mutual conviction and ambition in their relationship, careers, and desire to have children. They welcomed Bella Stevenson-Shimek into the world in 2007 and Harper Stevenson-Shimek sixteen months later in 2008.

Brendan continued to be widely successful in his career, including a leadership role in finance at Thomson Reuters and a beloved stint in finance at Nike. He always held his family as the one priority - from moving to Portland and Connecticut to ultimately deciding to take on the most important role of his life - full time Dad. Giving up a career may have given other's pause, but Brendan never flinched knowing he had arrived at his true calling. He spent

the last 10 years dedicated to ensuring his daughters transformed into the beautiful young women they are today.

Brendan was a devout Hawkeye fan throughout his life and went on to become a passionate Red Knight fan never missing a daughters' game at Benilde St. Margarets. He also loved traveling and his trips with Andrew, the girls, and their parents were some of his favorites. Brendan led with a frankness and honesty that cut to the core and made you know exactly where you stood. He had a wicked and occasionally dark sense of humor that Andrew and the girls will forever cherish. More than anything Brendan loved spending time with his family.

Brendan is survived by his husband Andrew, his children Bella and Harper, his mother Brenda, his brothers Jared and Jamie. Brendan is preceded in death by his father Ben.

Visitation with Brendan's family will be held at Washburn-McReavy Werness Brothers Chapel, 2300 W. Old Shakopee Rd., Bloomington, MN 55431 on Saturday, September 7, from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM with a short service beginning at 11:00 AM. A celebration of Brendan's life will be held at the family's home at 3:00 PM that afternoon. Brendan would want you to wear what makes you comfortable for both events.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Trevor Project, an organization that helps LGBTQ students thrive. www.thetrevorproject.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 7. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
2300 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431
(952) 884-8145
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Celebration of Life

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Celebration of Life for Brendan Mathew Stevenson in memory of Brendan Mathew Stevenson



Washburn-McReavy - September 02, 2024 at 08:29 AM



“ We were fortunate to know Brendan at Gilda's Club. We shared our joys, pains, hopes, dreams with laughter and tears. Brendan was such a lovely man who lived for his family! We were all better humans for having the honor of sharing his journey. Please know that he loved you all with all his heart. May you feel his loving presence each and every day!
Blessings, Carol Capistrant

Carol Capistrant - September 17, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ Methodist Hospital purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.



Methodist Hospital - September 07, 2024 at 12:12 AM

JG

“ Jim and George purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.



Jim and George - September 06, 2024 at 08:40 PM

JG

“ Jim and George planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Jim and George - September 06, 2024 at 08:40 PM

KN

“ Kay N. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Kay N. - September 05, 2024 at 10:28 PM

RM

“ Rafael & Lucy Morin purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.



Rafael & Lucy Morin - September 05, 2024 at 08:40 PM

RM

“ Rafael & Lucy Morin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Rafael & Lucy Morin - September 05, 2024 at 08:40 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.



September 05, 2024 at 11:21 AM

FR

“ Friends @ Alter Metal Recycling planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Friends @ Alter Metal Recycling - September 05, 2024 at 11:21 AM

FF

“ From Cole Bowman & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

From Cole Bowman & Family - September 05, 2024 at 09:51 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.*



September 01, 2024 at 05:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.*



September 01, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *George Kuhnert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.*

George Kuhnert - September 01, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.*



August 31, 2024 at 04:12 PM

TT

“ Tom and Tina Tromiczak planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Tom and Tina Tromiczak - August 31, 2024 at 04:12 PM

JH

“ Jeff Pfeifer and Ryan Hoffert purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.



Jeff Pfeifer and Ryan Hoffert - August 31, 2024 at 03:38 PM

JH

“ Jeff Pfeifer and Ryan Hoffert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brendan Mathew Stevenson.

Jeff Pfeifer and Ryan Hoffert - August 31, 2024 at 03:38 PM