



Brian Sweeney

December 29, 2005

Sweeney, Brian T. age 18 of Coon Rapids. Went to be with the Lord on December 26. Preceded in death by grandfathers, Thomas Sullivan and Winston Sweeney; godmother, Margo Howell; step grandparents, Gerald & Shirley Betland. Survived by daughter, Kalee, and her mother, Whitney; his mother, Kathy Sullivan (Neil Hill); father, Leone (Jennifer) Sweeney; brother, Dan; step brother, Jack Lutz; grandmothers, Margaret Sullivan and Christa Sweeney; many many other aunts, uncles, cousins, relatives and friends. Brian will be deeply missed, but we are comforted in knowing he is at peace. In lieu of flowers memorials preferred. Mass of Resurrection 10 am, Saturday, at the Church of the Epiphany, 111th and Hanson Blvd NW, Coon Rapids. Interment Epiphany Cemetery. Visitation one hour prior to Mass at church and 5-8 pm, Friday, at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd 763-767-1000

Tribute Wall



“ Happy Birthday Batman. I Love you and miss you so much that those words do not even come close to saying what I am feeling. I know you and your brother Danner are doing fine, it's us that are not because we miss you two so much. Look out over your Mom, Whit, and Kalee Cat. Say a prayer for all of us as I will say a prayer for you two. Happy Birthday Brian!! Love Always, Dad

February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Hey Batman, your birthday is coming up and you are so on my mind. I want to come here more often but since Danner left I just have been avoiding that which brings me to tears so quickly as much as I can. I miss you Batman, and I often think about how much fun you and Kalee Cat would be having if you were here. Kalee looks just like you, and I think she likes her Papa Leone' :) I Love you Brian and every day I think about you, and what might have been. I will be back, but I need to go now before I start crying. Love Always, Dad

January 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman, I miss you and Daniel so much. I stopped by to wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. Say hi to everyone and let them know I Love them as well. Love Always, Dad

November 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Firt time back in a while. Really miss you Batman. Holidays are coming up and I know you and Danner are going to be on my mind. I Love you so much Batman and I miss you every second of every day. God I wish I knew how to tell you how hard each day is without you and Danner. I Love you,Dad*

November 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman,I haven't been here in a little while but since Danner died I just...well it's been hard. I did stop by and see you though a couple of times, once on Christmas Eve; that was probably one of the hardest things I have ever done. Today is your birthday and I wanted to stop by and say hi and I look forward to leaving this world behind when it's time and coming home to our Lord Jesus, and seeing you, Danner, Dad, Margo, and who ever else gets to come home before me (Which I hope is no one). I Love you Batman, and I know you are having a great birthday with everyone. I Love you, and I will see you soon.Love Always,Dad*

February 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman,I Love you and I know you and Danner are having fun. I will see you all soon; I just have some things I have to take care of first. I Love you guys!!Love Always,Dad*

August 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ we miss u daddy! love u! Ill be 5 soon make sure u and uncle Dan are at my party! xooxo

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Kalee Your Precious daughter

August 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Batman,Just wanted to write and tell you that I took Kalee (Just Kalee and I) to get her first Pedicure. Then Kalee and I had a small cookie dough blizzard, then I took Kalee shopping for some shoes, and a movie. I had a wonderful time with this amazing little girl. I Love you Brian, and I will see you soon.Love Always, Dad

August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I miss you Batman!Love always,Dad

June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Missing You Daddy Love you Always and forever!*

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Your Daughter xoxo

May 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *It hurts so much missing you two. I will be home soon and then the three of us can play some Brian Ball. Love Always,Dad*

April 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

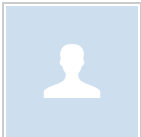


“ Well your brother now joined you.... please take him in your arms and make sure he is ok! let him know I love him so so so much! Please watch over kalee and I were not sure right now what to think or do... Danny was my rock helped me through everything.. Kalee loves him so much!! It breaks my heart please make sure he know how much i miss him already! I LOVE YOU BRIAN!! MISS U SO MUCH! KEEP SHINING BOYS!

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Whitney

April 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,With Easter you where really on my mind. I miss you so much...Love Always,Dad

April 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Brian, I took the day off yesterday to spend the day with Kalee. Whit went to Portland with Tina to visit Nigel and so that gave me the chance to spend the day with Kalee. We went to the park and I pushed her on the swing then taught her how to maintain 3 points of contact with the rock wall she climbed and Kalee did a great job!! I am so proud of her!! Then Kalee learned how to operate my cell phone camera and took many pictures :). Then we went shopping because it was the 17th and that means I pick up a rose for Kalee to celebrate her monthly birthday. While out shopping Kalee picked out a present that Uncle Dan bought for her a Hanna Montana Glitter/Make-up bag. Then I took Kalee out to lunch and then back home to watch Milo and Otis. While watching Milo and Otis Kalee asked Papa Leone' to paint her fingernails which I did...but I probably did not do a really great job but I think Kalee was happy and I know I was. Then Maga Jen came home and the three of us went back up to the park for some more climbing and swinging. I Love Kalee so much...all this rage in me seems to go away when I spend time with Kalee. She simplifies life again when we do things like Kalee stopping me to bend down and show me the maple seeds and how they twirled when you throw them, or how I point out deer tracks and other signs of animals that walk through my yard. While out driving around Kalee and I talked about Dan and you and Kalee asked me if I thought she would be an angel when she went to heaven like you are and I said “Kalee, you are already an angel. I told Kalee about how good of a fisherman you are and how you and I used to love doing that together. We talked about how much Uncle Dan loves Kalee and miss her so much while he is away serving in the Marine Corps. At that time it made me think about how Dan mentions that he really wants to go overseas and fight but that the Marines made him stay in NC. I have told Dan that he is still sacrificing so much serving his country...he is missing out on Kalee, friends and family as we are all sacrificing for our country by Dan not being home with us. I hope one day Dan will understand how much he has given and how very proud of him we all are. One more thing before I go Brian, when Kalee was sleeping and I sat watching her I could see her hands move like she was dreaming...her hands

flicked forward as if casting a line into the water and I said to Jen I think Brian is playing with Kalee in her dreams again....I Love you so much Brian.My Love Forever,Dad

March 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Brian,Just wanted to talk to you. I really miss you Batman. I really miss you...Love Always,Dad

February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman,Today is my birthday and I miss you so much. I Love you Brian and I know we will see each other again.Love Always, Dad

February 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,Happy Birthday Batman. I Love YOU so MUCH!! I really am missing you right now and my head is really messed up. I use to take each day as it came, but now I take it hour by hour. I am sorry I couldn't help you...I am so sorry.Love Always,Dad

February 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,Tomorrow is your birthday and I am really hurting right now. I miss you so much! You will obviously be on my mind all day tomorrow, but I wanted to take a moment and be alone with you to wish you a happy birthday. I miss you so much.....Love Always,Dad

February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Brian, I never got on here to say anything, but now I think I have the courage! I never will forget the last time I saw you, it was the Thanksgiving before you left. You and Dan were at Andover Lanes and me and my little cousin walked in! I saw you and Dan and ran straight to you because I rarely saw you anymore and you picked me up in this big hug and spun me around! You were wearing that big tan jacket that you used to always wear! I will never forget that day! I miss you! I remember back in the day when we all used to hang out, you, Dan, Lacy, T.J., Rachael, the whole gang! Also when me and Lacy used to go to your and Dan's basketball games that your dad coached on Saturday mornings up at Oak View! I also remember when I went to STEP for some seminar when we were in high school, and you skipped your class and walked around with me and talked when I had my lunch break! You were such a good friend Brian and I will never forget you! If anyone calls me the nickname you gave me, "Squirell on Speed," a tear comes to my eye and I smile because it's a little reminder of you! We will see each other again someday! ~Megan P.S. I saw photos of your daughter, she is such a little you, she is beautiful!

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Megan Jan,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Megan Jan - January 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, Today marks 4 years since you left here and went to Heaven. I miss you so much Batman....the pain of not having you here never stops, it never leaves me. I Love YOU SO MUCH! Love Always, Dad*

December 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Merry Christmas Brian. I Love you and miss you more than I will every be able to express in words. Love Always, Dad*

December 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Really missing you big time Batman. I am so sorry I couldn't do more to help you. Love Always, Dad*

December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Happy Thanksgiving Batman! I Love and miss you and Daniel so much...you two are always on my mind. Love Always,Dad*

November 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian,Hey Batman; just stopped by on Whit's birthday to tell you I Love you, and to promise you again that I got your back. I miss youLove Always,Dad*

November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian,It has been 1423 days since I last saw you, the last time I was able to see your smile, and to share a laugh with you. I Love you so much Brian; I know the Lord has a plan and I trust the Lord with my whole heart. So, I will wait to do what it is the Lord calls on me to do while I look forward to seeing you again and telling you again how much I Love YOU!!Love Always,Dad*

November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Kalee came over Friday night and we watched *Sleeping Beauty*, had a great supper and some ice cream. Your Mom picked Kalee up in the morning and took her to her swim lesson which she passed meaning she got to move on to the next level. Then Kathy brought Kalee back over and Jen and I took her to *Boarders* for the Spooky Halloween theme. Kalee had fun and Whit met us up there because she was going out to dinner close by. I really miss you Brian, we all do. Kalee talked about you for the first time...well around me anyway. She knows you are in Heaven as I do also. I really wish you were still here but I trust God and why you are not is His plan...obviously not ours. Trust...that's what I am doing as I walk my path in search of whatever it is God wants me to do. As I walk this path, I keep a watchful eye looking for signs that you often show me, but also signs from our Father as He guides me to where I am suppose to go, to do what it is I am suppose to do. But I have talked to God and He said that even though I know you are ok, in Heaven. It's ok for me to cry from time to time because I really miss you a lot!! Love Always, Dad

October 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I MISS YOU BATMAN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

October 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, You are very much on my mind these past few days, more so than normally. But instead of being sad I ask God to take this from me because if not for the Love and Grace of Lord Jesus and our Heavenly Father my day would be spent in darkness crying, and missing you. Everytime I go to Mass I ask God The Father to allow me to serve Him in this life. To allow me to show my gratitude for the gifts that have been giving to me in this life. Some days though I am so tired. Some days, I just want the day to be over before it even has begun; but then the Lord shows me something, or brings something into my moment and refreshes me reminding me that there is more for me to accomplish before I can go home. I Love You SO MUCH Brian and I miss YOU SO MUCH!! Father forgive me in my weakness, Leone' Paul

September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My Dear Sweet Kalee Cat, I Love you so much Kalee! I wanted to share something with you a few days before your birthday; something I hope you refer back to often in your life. I want to talk to you about always giving thanks to God our Father for everything in our life. Have you ever noticed that when we dwell on the wrong things, it affects our moods? We get down, discouraged, and lose our hope. Some people today don't have the joy and the enthusiasm God wants them to have because they are constantly dwelling on negative things. Kalee if we want to be in the position to take hold of all that God has in store for us, we have to stir ourselves up by changing our thinking. Instead of dwelling on and remembering all the bad things that have happened in life, you have to remember all the good things God has done for you. Every time you give God praise, every time you sing a song of victory, you are acknowledging and remembering His goodness. You are causing your mind to focus on what He's done for you. And, I'm convinced one reason the scripture tells us to bless the Lord at all times is because you can't praise and complain at the same time! Kalee every day I ask you for your Papa Leone' to stay proactive. Don't become passive in your thought life. Don't let your guard down. Keep stirring yourself up by remembering His faithfulness and watch what He will do on your behalf! I Love you so much Kalee Cat, remember me when you see the cotton wood fuzz floating in the air and how on that one magical autumn day you and Papa Leone' planted Kalee Cat trees. I Love You Kalee, Papa Leone' ”

September 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Kalee Cat, I Love you Kalee and I wanted to say to you today that when you face opposition in your life regarding something that God has called you to do, don't take matters into your own hands. Simply continue to be faithful and trust God to handle things as He sees fit. God will direct your every foot step, your every word. Through Prayer, stay connected with God. While doing this remember that your Daddy, your Knuckle Dan, and your Papa Leone' are all cheering you on, and Loving you with every breath, every smile, every tear that runs down our cheek. We are all so PROUD of YOU Kalee!! Never forget that!! I Love YOU SO MUCH KALEE!!! Papa Leone'*

September 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Kalee Cat, It's Labor Day weekend 2009 and you came over and spent Saturday night and Sunday until about 1pm with Maga Jen and Papa Leone'. We went up to the park by my house and Maga Jen went home ahead of us to make supper and as you and I walked home, you asked me about the fuzz floating in the air. I told you those were seeds from a tree that float to the ground and then new trees grow. You asked me what kind of trees and I said "Kalee Cat Trees". :) You smiled and said no it isn't Papa Leone' and I said "Yup, if you catch one and plant it then when it grows up it will be a Kalee Cat Tree". So you and I caught some and I watched you plant them in the neighbor's flower garden. :) Then we went home ate supper and then went up to the movie store and got you Peter Pan because that is your favorite you said. Then on the way home, we stopped at McDonalds and got us all some ice cream to eat. Once home you had a nice bath and then we snuggled up and watched Peter Pan. I Love you so MUCH Kalee Cat!! Think of me whenever you see cotton wood seeds floating in the air, or when you watch Peter Pan. Kalee I thank the Lord that you were born. What a great gift from God the Father allowing us the privilege of having you in our life. God Bless Papa Leone'

September 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman, Really missing you this week...lots of silent tears. Love Always, Dad

August 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman, I am sitting at work trying to get somethings done but you are heavy on my mind. I Love You so MUCH Batman. Kalee spent the night at our house this past Friday and most of the day Saturday. When we brought her home after shopping Kalee got kind of mad and didn't want Jen and I to leave when it came time for us to go home. I told Kalee that all she has to do is call me and I will come and get her to visit anytime she wants. That made her feel better and Kalee gave Jen and I hugs and kisses before we left. I MISS YOU SO MUCH BATMAN. I have learned to cry secret tears so that others do not feel bad; only God my Father and I know of them...and of course you. Love and MISS YOU ALWAYS!!Dad

August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee Cat, In the Bible, God has many names that describe His character and attributes. In the same way that someone named “Joe” might also be called “Father” or “Husband” or “the boss,” God has names that describe Him and His relationship to His people. In the Old Testament, the Hebrew name for “God” was considered so holy that the people wouldn't even say it. So, when God appeared to Moses in a burning bush and sent Him to lead the Israelites out of captivity, Moses asked God, “Who should I say sent me?” After all, He couldn't breathe the name of God in public. God replied by saying, “Moses, my name is I Am.” In other words, “I am anything and everything you need. I am your joy. I am your peace. I am your strength. I am your victory. I am your way of escape. I am whatever you need.” Today, God is saying the same thing to us! What is it that you need? The Great I Am, the Almighty God is on your side. He is ready to supply all your needs according to His riches in glory. Open your heart of faith to Him Kalee, and receive all the blessings He has in store for you!

August 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Good night Batman...I miss you so much!!Love Always,Dad*

July 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *BRIAN I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!! Please Father never take this pain from me. If this is my Cross to bear, do not take the pain away but rather I pray for Your Grace to Honor You while I carry this Cross. I Love You Father,ALL GLORY AND HONOR IS YOURS ALMIGHTY FATHER FOR EVER AND EVER.Leone' Paul*

July 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman,Came online to tell you that your little brother big bootie made PFC today. He is fourth in his class and will be going to North Carolina and then Arizona to work on Harrier Jets. Danner came home over the Fourth Of July for a few days and everyone got a chance to spend some time with him which was much needed by all of us. We all miss you Batman and even though it may seem like a long time, I am sure it won't be long before we get to go fishing together again. I Love You Batman!Love Always,Dad*

July 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,Happy Fathers Day...I know if Kalee could she would be wishing you a very Happy Fathers Day. Since Kalee cannot, I got her back. Each day starts, is filled, and ends with me thinking of you and how much I and everyone else miss you. I feel such emptiness with you and Danner being away from me. I Love you Batman, and Danner so much! We will be together soon to play some more Brian ball and go do a little fishing. Do me a favor and wish Grandfather Sweeney a Happy Fathers Day for me and tell him I Love and miss him as well. Love Always,Dad

June 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,I really miss you bad!! I woke up crying twice the other day and reaching out for you. I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!Love Always,Dad

June 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman,I have been thinking about you more than usual of late. I "REALLY MISS YOU"!! Love Always,Dad

June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I Love You and MISS YOU SO MUCH BATMAN!!Dad

May 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Dear Sweet Kalee Cat, Recently Maga Jen and I returned from a cruise and while at sea I thought about the currents of the sea and how a good Captain can use those currents to take them quickly to where they want to go if followed correctly. However, these same currents could also divert them from their journey, if ignored. The very same current can have either a positive effect or a negative effect on a sailing vessel; it all depends on the knowledge and the response of the Captain, or person in charge of deciding which path the ship will follow. God's wisdom is, in some ways, like the currents of the sea Kalee. It can carry us where we need to go. It is our refuge, the means to keep us safe and bring us to our desired destination. But only if we, who have been giving free will by God choose to follow it. The benefit of His wisdom only applies to those who are willing to line up with it and set their course accordingly. Otherwise, those same beneficial currents will lead to ruin. Kalee, history is filled with millions of people who have tried to follow a path contrary to God's wisdom. It may be a false religion or a relationship that we know is not right for us, or other things that we, in our ignorance, may set our hearts on. Millions have sailed against the currents of God and failed. What they thought looked so promising they found to be useless. Kalee before you enter into a relationship, or you create plans for your future, examine them closely and ask yourself if they are thoroughly consistent with God's ways. Plan now. Go to the Lord and ask Him to show you His currents for your life. Take refuges in the wisdom of God. I Love you so much Kalee Cat, and you are always in my prayers, Love Always, Papa Leone’*

May 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My Dear Sweet Kalee, I have a question for you today. In what or in whom do you put your hope? The reason I ask is because sometimes it's easy for all of us to get focused on the natural realm and put our hope in what we can see or what we can understand— people, jobs, governments. But we have to remember, this world is temporary. When we put our hope in things of this world, eventually those things will fade away. But when we put our hope in Jesus, we are hoping in what is real and eternal. Through Him, we have a living hope; hope that will never disappoint or fade away. Webster's dictionary defines hope as: “to desire with expectation of obtainment.” Kalee, isn't it good to know that we will obtain every promise given to us through Christ Jesus? We have a future and a hope! Kalee Cat, the next time you feel discouraged or frustrated with what's going on around you, remember that you have hope inside of you that is alive. You have the promise that He will never leave you nor forsake you. Put your hope in God and let Him direct you in the good plan He has for you! Kalee, while reading this hold me in your heart, for you are always in mine. I Love you more with each breath, and I thank God for the precious gift that He gave to your Daddy, your Mom, and all of us the day you were born. You are such a beautiful gift. Father, Thank You Father for Your Mercy and Your Gifts that You pour out onto us even though we do not deserve them. I Love You Father, Lord Jesus, Thank You for Your Mercy. I Love you Kalee Cat, Papa Leone'

May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Always on my mind, ALWAYS in my heart. I Love you so much Batman!! Love Always, Dad

May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, In my pain I have learned how to cry without tears, how to be sad without emotion, and how to walk toward Jesus and the day I get to leave here without burdening others with the pain that I carry each day. I MISS YOU SO MUCH! The pain at times would be unbearable without the Love of Jesus who took my pain and everyone else's to the Cross so we do not have to live without hope. I cannot put into words the joy and peace I find in our Lord Jesus and what He did for us; we who are so undeserving of His Love. I Love You Batman, Dad*

April 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *FATHER, Help me to have a happy heart. Remove the anxiety that sometimes weighs my heart down. Keep my heart from growing proud. Instead, give me a pure heart—a heart that is pleasing to You. Help me to hide Your Word in my heart so that I can walk in Your ways and enjoy life that is a continual feast. I ask this in Jesus Name, Amen*

April 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I wanted to write to you and tell you about two Fridays ago when you came over and spent oh about 6 hours with Maga Jen and Papa Leone'. You are such a beautiful little girl Kalee Cat, you, Maga Jen, and I watched Shriek together and then we went to McDonald's to get you some ice cream. :) Then when we got back we went up to the park and played on the swings. I Love pushing you on the swing you laugh and have such a good time. Then we went down the slides, well actually you and Maga Jen went down the slides, you two needed someone to catch you. :) Then when we went back to Papa Leone's house we watched 4 episodes of Sponge Bob, which you just love; and while watching that I made you a few glasses of Chocolate Milk. I Loved that night Kalee, you where so much fun and you are such an innocent Loving little girl. My prayer for you is that the world will be nice to you. How sad it would be if you where to grow up and lose that sweetness that comes from being so happy. I Look forward to more nights Kalee Cat watching Sponge Bob with you, and pushing you in a swing. I Love You so MUCH!! Love Always, Papa Leone'

April 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman, I woke up crying, dreaming about you Brian, and how much I miss you, and doing things with you. God the pain can be overwhelming at times but I thank You for Your mercy and how You take this from me when it gets this bad. I Love You Father. I Love you Batman, Dad

April 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee Cat, I wanted to talk to you about the world you live in and the problems you and everyone face that at times can pull you away from God. In the world today, it seems there are so many things trying to pull us down. Every time you turn around, you're being bombarded with bad news. Life can be difficult, but there is a peace that God can give you during these challenging times. If you'll keep your hopes up and keep your mind focused in the right direction, you'll get to the place where you'll say, "I should be upset. I should be losing sleep at night. But I'm not the least bit worried. I know God is still on the throne. I know He's working this out for my good." Kalee when you keep your hopes up, you eventually step into the anointing of ease. You don't drag around discouraged or despondent. You're in faith, hoping, believing, and expecting. That's when God will move on your behalf. That's when you'll look up and say, "You know what? I don't struggle in this area anymore. God took the pressure off. Things are starting to fall into place." You may not be there just yet, and when you do get there it will be harder not easier because the evil one will attack you more and more trying to get you to give up, but Kalee never give up. When you fall know that Jesus is there to help you up. When you get back on your feet know that you have been forgiven and that you have been filled with the Grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Kalee, always remember the Cross and what Christ did for us on the Cross. It is there Kalee Cat where our forgiveness came from and it is because of Christ, that you shall again meet your Daddy and all of us who Love you so much. God Bless You Kalee Cat, I Love you so much!!Papa Leone’

April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Tomorrow, Easter Sunday, is the day that assures me that I will see you again. Because Jesus died on the Cross for us, and to once and for all take away our sins, that through our faith in Him, we to will rise from the grave and be reunited in Heaven for all eternity; we will be together again. Through Grace, the Grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I will see you again. I Love you Batman, Happy Easter. Love Always,Dad

April 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ You have been on my mind a lot with spring around the corner, I have been thinking about when you and Dan where in Little League and all the fun we had. Plus before you know it fishing season will be here and once again I am without my best fishing partner a guy could ever hope for; you know I actually miss fishing with you and Dan and us yelling at Dan cause he would get bored and throw rocks in the water. :) I Love you Batman....Forever my Love for you,Dad

April 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, it's another late night...can't sleep...you are always on my mind. I miss you Love Always,Dad

March 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ You are very much on my mind Batman, I miss you so much.Dad

March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Brian, Jen and I just got back from our trip...how I miss you and Danner. While on the ship one morning watching God's wonderful art work as the sun came up I said to Abba, what a difference 10 years make. 10 years ago you, Dan, and I were all together. Now you are home with the Lord, Dan is off in California, and I was on a ship somewhere in the Caribbean. I started to cry thinking about that and how I missed you two guys so much when I felt the Lord put His arm around me and tell me "all will be well, Trust in the Lord and all will be well". I went back to my room and shared with Jennifer my talk with the Lord. A few days later as I was traveling back home on the airplane and reading a book about the Apostle Paul, the writer said, "For you who is reading this book and who is looking back over the last ten years, have faith, and follow the Lord". I shared that with Jen and as you can imagine she was very surprised by what she read. I sometimes struggle with sharing things like that even though the Lord talks to me frequently because I do not want to lead people into believing that this is something of a magic show or that the Lord would talk to them in the same manner as He does with me. But I want to write this to you and to Kalee, so Kalee will know that you are alive in Heaven with the Lord and that the Lord will be with her as He will be with everyone who seeks Him. There may be days, or weeks, or months between signs from the Lord as He watches to see if we seek Him for who He is, or if we seek Him for what He can do for us. Kalee, seek the Lord for who He is and be blessed for the Lord your God is a Loving God and Kalee you are so very special to Him. I Love you Father, and I ask You to please Bless Kalee and anoint Kalee with Your Grace. All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

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Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Leone' Sweeney - March 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“Kalee, I wanted to share this with you; it's a popular thing right now to answer questions about yourself and forward them to some of your friends and ask them to delete your answers and fill in theirs and then send it on to their friends but to include you as well. Here are mine Kalee, I hope it helps you to know me a little better. I Love You Kalee Cat, Papa Leone' Things about myself know YOURS too Share

1. Do you like blue cheese? Yes, with wings watching the NCAA Tournament.
2. Have you ever smoked? For over 20 years and then I quit because my boys asked me too.
3. Do you own a gun? More than one.
4. What flavor(s) of Kool Aid was your favorite? Grape
5. Do you get nervous before doctor appointments? No
6. What do you think of hot dogs? I Love eating hot dogs but right now I cannot because I am trying to get beach ready.
7. Favorite Christmas movie? National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation.
8. Favorite thing to drink in the morning? Coffee
9. Can you do push-ups? Yes, quite a few as a matter of fact.
10. What's your favorite piece of jewelry? I am not a fan of jewelry but I treasure the ring Jennifer put on my finger 8 years ago.
11. What is your favorite hobby? Fantasy Football and Fantasy Baseball.
12. Do you have A.D.D.? I think I ...hey anyone want to go ride bikes...
13. What are you listening to right now? White noise
14. Middle name? Paul
15. Best Birthday? Anyone in my family's birthday
16. Name 3 things you regularly drink: Coffee, water, skim milk
17. How many siblings do you have? 7 brothers and 6 sisters.
18. Current "hate it right now"? When I sin, I am not sure but I think there is irony in that
19. Favorite place to be? Church, and on a cruise or anywhere alone with my wife.
20. How did you bring in the New Year last year? New Years isn't a big deal in my world.
21. Where would you like to go? Home, oh...wait, I get it...umm...back in time to stop Brian from dying.
22. Name three people who might complete this: Me, myself, and?
23. Do you own slippers? Nope
24. What shirt are you wearing? Open collar shirt that Jen put out for me.
25. Favorite Sports Team? Leone's Fantasy Teams. :)
26. Can you whistle? Yup
27. Favorite color? My Granddaughter Kalee's eye's
28. Would you be a pirate? No.
29. Do you collect anything? Brian's mail which I continue to get and which I plan on giving to Kalee when she is

older.30. Your favorite book(s): Through the eyes of Jesus, The Bible31. Do you have any pets? Two cats32. What's in your pocket right now? Keys33. How many TVs do you have in your house? 634. What vehicle do you drive? A 2006 Jeep for about 3 more days then the lease is up and I will be driving my son Dan's 1999 Monty Carlo35. Worst injury you've ever had? Broken heart, it never heals.

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Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Leone' Sweeney - February 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee,I wanted to write this to you before it got lost in time. Recently while Knuckle Dan was home on leave over Christmas, you where at Maga Kathy's playing while Knuckle Dan sat on the couch watching you and the T.V. While watching T.V. Knuckle Dan said a commercial came on about a toy and you suddenly stopped, walked over to the T.V. screen, looked back at Knuckle Dan, back at the screen, and then back again at Knuckle Dan and you said "Knuckle Dan buy me that" while pointing at the T.V. screen. Knuckle Dan said "Ok" without missing a beat, then you continued to play. The reason why I am telling you this Kalee Cat is because he didn't buy it for you so he owes you one. :) I Love You Kalee Cat!!Papa Leone'

February 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM



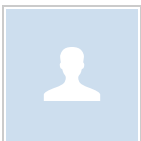
“ I Love you Brian! You stay close in my thoughts each day and each day I miss you more then the day before. I am just grateful to God that I have you in my life even as I miss you so.Love Always,Dad

February 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman,Been really bad the last few weeks...went back to talk to Lynn. I Love you Batman!!Dad

February 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,I Love you so much...Happy Birthday Batman.Love,Dad

February 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Brian,Just wanted to drop a note that Dan is heading back to San Diego today to start his combat training. I just hate saying goodbyes!! I miss you so much Batman, and now I miss Danner...this just isn't the way it's suppose to be. Love,Dad

January 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I Love you Brian!!Love Always,Dad

January 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,With your birthday coming up, missing you becomes even more unbearable. I MISS YOU AND LOVE YOU SO MUCH!!Dad

January 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I really miss you Batman!!Love,Dad

January 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian,It's been three years today since I said "See you soon". I never said goodbye because I will see you again. I Love you Brian Thomas, and I miss you every minute of every day.Love,Dad

December 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

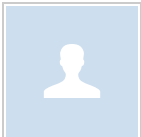


“ *Bri I messed up..... Your daughter was sad yesturday and i asked her why and she said "Mommy I Miss My Daddy He is in heaven why is he there?" and instead of being strong i lost it and broke down.. i didnt mean to and i hope it didnt hurt her more but it caught me off gaurd and i didnt know what to say or do... she getting to the age now where she is noticing stuff like this and it breaks my heart.. what should i do? help me through this! love you!*

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Whitney

December 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I Love You Brian Thomas; Thank You Father for Your Blessing us with Your Gift of letting us know and Love Brian. Thank You that before You called Brian home that You let Brian share his love with Whitney and the gift to all of us, Kalee. I Love You Father; Thank You for Loving us even though we do not always understand it at the time of Your Blessing. Always Father, let Thy Will be done.All Honor is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul*

December 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *MERRY CHRISTMAS! I WISH I COULD SEE YOU ONE LAST TIME! I LOVE YOU!*

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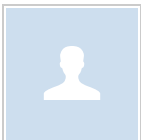
Whitney

December 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Merry Christmas Batman; I Love you so much! I miss you Brian...thanks for the chat today.Love,Dad*

December 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me". Gal 2:2*

December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ hey bri just thought i would stop by and say hey i been tinkering about you lately.. hope ur doing well... kalee and I are holding strong! you know me i always held it down for our little family!! I'll be on my way to cali on Wednesday to see your little bro graduate from boot camp make sure ur there with us!! Oh make sure while were gone you check on our little princesses she will be with my grandparents! hope ur staying outta trouble ha im trying to... i cant get it out of my head on how much differnt things could be right now if you were still here with us... i love you bri and know no matter what ur always in my heart!! matter if fact u are my heart!! (you and our daughter)
LOVE YOU!

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Whitney,

Champlin, Minnesota

Whitney - December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ My Sweet Kalee, I want to share with you today a moment from my life. Back when my Father was sick with cancer we would receive calls from time to time asking us to return to the hospital because it appeared that my Father would be passing away at anytime. Each time he would recover enough to go home only to return a few days later to the hospital. Then one day I received a call from my sister who said that we needed to hurry to the hospital, Dad wasn't doing well. As your Maga Kathy hurried to get your Daddy and Uncle Dan ready (your Daddy was 5 and Uncle Dan was 3 at the time), I was standing in front of a mirror when I noticed something. I noticed that I was again a 5 year old boy standing in front of my Mothers dresser which had a mirror on the top of it and my Dad, who was sitting on the bed behind me, was combing my hair with some sort of hair gel that was popular back then. This was a scene which happened every Sunday before church, my Dad, combing my hair; and now here I was seeing it all again and it was at that time that I knew my Father had passed away and was now in Heaven. Maga Kathy then heard me start to cry and called from the other room if I was OK? I said I was and that there was no longer a need to hurry the boys. I said "Dad is now in Heaven". 10 minutes or so later we at the hospital which was obviously very close by and as I walked to my Fathers room my sister came to me crying and as she was about to speak I said "Dad has already passed away". My sister said yes and I said he had passed about 15 minutes ago and again she said yes and asked me how I knew, I just said that I did. I then went into the room and hugged my Mom, asked her if she was all right then quietly left the room. I had left the room so that I could go to the Chapel and pray a prayer of thanksgiving because my Father in Heaven allowed my Dad, for one last time to comb my hair. A little while later Maga Kathy came into the Chapel and said that people were looking for me but could not find me, but that she knew that I would be in the Chapel. Kalee, Maga Kathy knew that because whenever there was fear, or anxiety, I always looked for the chance to step away from it and go to my Father. Kalee, always pray but especially when your life is in chaos; step away and go to your Father and He will bring you peace. Remember God's faithfulness

and his ability to bring good out of any situation, when you do that you will find that your fears will be calmed, and your confidence renewed. I Love you Kalee Cat, Oh that you would bless me indeed Father, enlarge my territory, guide me with Your Hand , and keep me from evil so that I may not cause anyone harm. All Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul (Papa Leone)

December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, I miss you so much.... I just wish I could remember what it felt like not to hurt. I see your face every day, and I talk to you every day. I just miss you so much. It's amazing how pain can numb you but never release you from the feeling of it's pain. I Love you Batman, Dad*

December 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Brian, In a few days we will be going to San Diego to see Dan graduate from Boot Camp. We are all so proud of Dan; how I wish you were able to be with us as we go celebrate Dan's achievement. I Love you so much Brian Thomas... the hurt doesn't show but the pain still grows. It just never goes away.... Dad*

December 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM



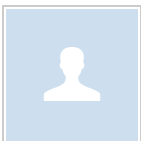
“ Lord Jesus, Life doesn't seem fair at times, Lord, and sometimes it seems that integrity often doesn't seem to matter much in this world. But I know that it does matter. Father, You see everything. Nothing escapes Your gaze. You promise to care for the pure and to reward the faithful. I humbly ask You to give me the spiritual resolve to stay strong in Your promise, to not give up. Please remind me when I am weak; tired from the day's events, when the evil one plants sadness in my mind, that the day is coming when You will exalt those who steadfastly trust in You. For whom shall I turn to Lord? As for my household and me, we shall worship You Lord Jesus. Lord Jesus, You are the light of the world, we who follow You shall not live in darkness but rather in the light. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. John 3:16. All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

December 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Happy Thanksgiving Batman, I miss you so much Brian! I am sitting here in my living room looking at the front door remembering how I saw you run toward the door from the driveway so happy because you were driving yourself around for the first time. That seems like just a few moments ago... I Love YOU so MUCH!! Dad

November 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father in Heaven, Thank You for setting me free and filling me with Your Hope, Peace, and Joy. I invite You to dwell in every area of my being and make my life a continual praise to You. In Jesus' Name. Amen

November 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ A simple message to you today Kalee Cat. I Love You. Kalee, no matter what is happening in your life at the time(s) when you read this, always remember Kalee; you are, and have always been very much Loved. You are the smile in my heart when days get long. My Love and Joy are from my Father, and you Kalee are one of the many special gifts that my Father has given to me that I treasure the most. Love Always, Papa Leone'

November 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ hey bri i thought i would stop by and say hey its my bday tommorrow make sure i stay outta trouble lol LOVE YOU

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Whitney Dahlvang,

Minnesota

Whitney Dahlvang - November 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Batman, Jen and I got to spend sometime with Kalee today. We took her shopping and out to lunch. What a beautiful, and smart little girl. Jen and I Love Kalee so much. I Miss YOU BATMAN!! Love, Dad*

November 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, Your brother continues to impress and make everyone so proud with what he is doing. How I miss Brian Ball, and just spending time with you and Dantana! Someday we can all be together again, until then, I got your back Batman. Love Always, Dad*

November 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lord Jesus, I need help, Lord, and You have promised to fill me with Your infinite power. Without Your divine assistance I cannot press on. With Your help and strength, I can do whatever You ask of me. I humbly ask You in prayer that You give to me a second wind. Lord Jesus, my Master, I look to You in trust because I know You are faithful; but not my will but let Your Will be done. All Honor is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul*

November 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM



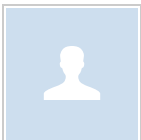
“ My Dear Sweet Kalee, I want to talk to you today about life, and how in life, you will have difficulty find you; when that happens remember no matter what it is that you are facing that you can bounce –back and realize that these difficulties you have in life are not permanent, but temporary. It’s not going to last forever. Every difficulty that comes your way, be strong in your prayer and thank God that He has giving you what you need so that you’re going to come out better than you were before. We know this Kalee because God created us and intends us to walk in the same power which raised Christ from the dead, that same overcoming power and attitude that even the grave can’t keep down. Kalee it has been proven that during a hurricane, a palm tree will simply stretch and not break from the strong winds. It’s bent and pushed over, and all the while, its root system is actually being strengthened and given new opportunities for growth. We are built the same way it even says so in Psalm 92:12, “The righteous will flourish like a palm tree.” What this means is that God knew that we would have difficult times, times that would be hard but not impossible for us to grow stronger from. Through prayer and the Grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ we have strong roots, we are going to bounce right back, even if the “bouncing- back” takes a day, a week, a month or even a year. Remember that you will bounce-back. Just trust in the Lord that His timing is perfect and if we trust in the Lord we do so on His time schedule not ours. Remember Kalee, the storms in life will come, and the winds will blow, but no weapon formed against us will prosper! I Love you Kalee Cat!! All Honor is Yours Almighty Father, Leone’ Paul

October 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee Cat, I Love you so much and I Love you just the way you are. True Love is like that, not needing the other person to be anything other than who they are. In the same way God Loves us so much that He promises that He is near to those who call upon His name. It doesn't matter where you are or what you're going through; He is your deliverer. He'll bring light into your darkest hour; He'll bring healing to the broken places. When you call on His name, you can be assured that He will respond. As sure as the sun will rise tomorrow, God will faithfully respond when you seek Him. Sometimes, people think they have to clean themselves up or change their behavior or habits before they can turn to Him; but that's not what God says. He is ready to receive you just as you are. Even if you feel like a mess, He'll take your mess and turn it into a message. His arms are open wide today for you and everyone who needs to call on the Lord. Don't let pride or the evil one keep you from your Father, open your heart and call upon Him; His arms are wide open. Just pray this prayer Kalee Cat, Father, Thank you for always receiving me with open arms. I choose today to give You all that I am. I choose to press on that I may know You. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen

October 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father in heaven, You are my Light in dark times. I thank You for Your faithfulness and trust that You have a wonderful plan for my life. No matter how things seem, I will put my hope and trust in You. In Jesus' Name, Leone' Paul

October 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“Kalee, I want to talk to you about success and how you can achieve success by working with God. Success is intentional, not accidental. When you read this you may not know what steps to take at this time in your life to accomplish what God has put in your heart, but God knows the plan, and if you'll do your part to seek Him and begin to make plans to succeed, God will guide you. It says in the scriptures, “The mind of man plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.” You don't have to vaguely go through life. God wants to direct your steps. He wants to show you His plan. Kalee start each day deciding to make plans to succeed. Write down your goals. Make time to evaluate where you are in life. Evaluate your finances, your career, your relationships. Evaluate how you're spending your time and money. If you'll start making plans to succeed, God promises He's going to direct your steps. I Love You Kalee Cat, Papa Leone'

October 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ hey brian i just wanted to stop by and say i really miss you!! I'm not having a great time right now and i could really use you.....it seems like when everything seems to be going right all at once it all comes tumbling back down and i dont understand it why??? it s so hard to keep a smile on my face for our beautiful daughter when really im dying inside but even if it kills me im going to smile! Kalee is getting so big shes 3 its crazy!!! And Dan left for the marines and its kinda lonely now.... I dont know what to think bri?? I hope ur watching over everyone we all really miss you! MAKE SURE DAN IS DOING GOOD!! I Love you more than words can ever explain and i wish u were here so bad.... lol dont forget my bday is coming soon ill be 21 nov 20th make sure i dont end up in prison lol i already did my jail time haha love ya!

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Whit,

Minnesota

Whit - October 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Heavenly Father, Thank You for Your goodness and grace today. Help me to extend that grace to others. In Jesus' Name. Amen.*

October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father, Even though my eyes are filled with tears I believe You are always working to comfort me through Your teachings so that Your perfect plan will triumph. Thank You for always Loving me, Thank You for always showing me Your Love of me, and Thank You for showing me the bible verse below. All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy. They weep as they go to plant their seed, but they sing as they return with the harvest. Psalm 126:5-6*

October 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father in heaven, I give You my cares and concerns. I choose to trust that You are working behind the scenes for me. Fill me with Your peace and joy today as I surrender every area of my life to You. In Jesus' Name, Amen. I Love You Father, Leone' Paul*

October 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, Always see worry or lack of trust as a sign that you are not living in God's Divine Will. Worry is a sign that you are hanging on to your own will. If you are frustrated in any way by events or peoples' actions, once again you have not accepted God's Divine Will but want your own way. Kalee, ask God for direction and to remove all anxiety from your mind. This is a most difficult thing to do for us, not for our Father. Trust in Him Kalee, and know that I have and will continue to always hold you in my prayers. I Love you Kalee Cat, Papa Leone'

October 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father, I miss my sons. Leone' Paul

October 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, Remember as you go through life that choosing the right path in life does not mean you have to figure out the wrong one, but rather it may mean that you might have to cross them to get to where you need to go. Be of faith and pray a lot and God our Father will shield you from what you cannot handle, and hold your hand through the things you can, because those things may be hard or scary to you. I Love you Kalee Cat, Papa Leone'

October 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Luke 6:20-31 And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God." "Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied." "Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh." "Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets." "But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation." "Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger." "Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep." "Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets." "But I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to every one who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again. And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them." "All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father

September 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“*Father, Abba, I Love You, please watch over Daniel as he enters his first day of boot camp. Please keep him from harms way and bless him with Your Holy Blessing. But not my will Father, but let Your will be done. "Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10)Kalee, That is the bible verse that was on my confirmation cake and I really do try and honor this verse..one day at a time. Kalee you can too, if you want too. It will be our bible verse, "Kalee Cat and Papa Leone's" bible verse. Some people teach that this is referring to salvation. They say, "Well, if you always do the right thing and don't make any mistakes, if you're perfect, if you 'keep the faith,' maybe you'll make it to Heaven." That's not what that verse is talking about at all!The Lord isn't talking about salvation, He's talking about your faithfulness in service; for you to faithfully do your best to please and serve Him from now until the day you die.The secret of being "faithful until death" is to be faithful one day at a time. You can only live one day at a time; you can only be faithful one day at a time. So don't worry about whether you were faithful yesterday or not, or whether you're going to be faithful tomorrow. Just do your best to be faithful today. The Bible tells us to forget the past (Philippians 3:13), and tomorrow will take care of itself (Matthew 6:34)--or the Lord will take care of it. Just be faithful today, say your prayers, and ask God to forgive you your sins and pray this in Jesus Holy Blood that was spilled at the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins. Just be faithful every day Kalee, one day at a time, and you'll be faithful until death and receive an eternal crown of life. So that's my prayer for you, for us and for everyone who reads this, that you, we, all of us will be faithful every day, just one day at a time until the day we die or the Lord returns.Love Always,Papa Leone' (A proud Dad of a United States Marine)*

September 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM



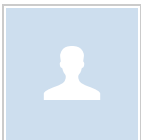
“ Brian, You have been gone 1000 days and I miss you so much, and you are missed so much by so many. I Love you Brian. Tomorrow your brother will be leaving to become a United States Marine. I am so proud of him and I will miss him so much. I Love you two more than life itself. Love always, Dad

September 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, A bible verse for you today from your Papa Leone' who Loves you so much!! We know that the same God who raised our Lord Jesus will also raise us with Jesus and present us to himself along with you. All of these things are for your benefit. And as God's grace brings more and more people to Christ, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory. THAT IS WHY WE NEVER GIVE UP! Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day... For the troubles we see will soon be over, but the joys to come will last forever. 2 Corinthians 4:14-18 Each year when this day comes remember me Kalee, and how much I Love you. Though life can be hard, and things may not always go the way we would want them to; be of courage, and look back into the eyes of whatever is wrong with strength and the courage that comes from Christ Jesus knowing that one day we will always be together. On this day, if I can be remembered by you, hold me close in your heart, and softly whisper my name and I will be there beside you. I Love you Kalee Cat! Papa Leone'

September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I Love you Kalee! Love Always, Papa Leone'

September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, Just wanted to stop by and leave you a note letting you know that your Uncle Dan enlisted in the United States Marines yesterday. He will not leave until after your birthday. I am so proud of Dan and I know your Daddy is too. Dan if you read this later, I Love you Dan, and I am so VERY PROUD of YOU! The Marines have always been our best, but when they swore you in, they got a lot better. If you need anything Dan, I got your back; Semper Fi! Kalee, Semper Fidelis, or Semper Fi for short is Latin for "Always faithful." Dan, this is for you; "Igitur qui desiderat pacem, praeparet bellum." I know you know what that means. I Love you Kalee, Papa Leone'

September 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I Love You Kalee Cat!!! Love Always, Papa Leone'

September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Psalm 31:7-8 I am overcome with joy because of Your unfailing Love, for You have seen my troubles, and You care about the anguish of my soul. You have not handed me over to my enemy but have set me in a safe place. All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, I thought I would write to you today the first day of the new school year. I Love you so much Brian, and I have missed you more each day since you have been gone; all 982 days. It seems like yesterday when we where laughing and fishing, and you, Dan and I playing Brian ball. I take comfort in knowing that with each passing day, we do not grow farther apart; rather we get closer together. For each day brings all of us closer to the day our Lord calls us home. I Love You Brian, Love Always, Your Dad

September 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father, I humbly come before You and choose to be still before You. Honor me Father by speaking to my heart so I can know You more. Fill me with Your Love and Peace as I put my trust in You. Comfort us who morn the lost of Your gift to us, Brian Thomas. Fill our hearts with Love and Peace; pour Your blessing on us as we wait patiently to serve You. Oh my Heavenly Father, how I Love You and pray that You will allow me to serve You. Hear my prayer Father; hear me calling out to You as I wait in hope of hearing You again whisper my name in the still of the night. Comfort me my Father, as You have washed away all my sins with Your Love through our savior Jesus. I am honored to even have the chance to call on You Father; please allow me to always Love You. Allow me to share with others how You and You alone saved me from the evil one when Brian passed away. All Glory is Yours Almighty Father! I Love You Father. In Jesus' Sweet Name, Leone' Paul

August 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father, Show me the path where I should walk, O Lord; point out the right road for me to follow. Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you. Psalm 25:4-5 All Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul*

August 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Heavenly Father, Thank You for Loving me today. Help me understand Your Love so that I can extend that Love to those around me. Let me see others as valuable the way You see me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

August 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee Cat, I want to talk to you about never giving up on a goal or a prayer when the answer it seems isn't coming as quickly as you would like. Remember that God knows when the perfect time for answering your prayers or achieving your goals is. When you are tempted to stop believing in your goal or prayer at those times dare to learn how to hope even more in God. Usually right before our prayer or goal is answered the evil one tries to discourage you and tries to get you to give up your hope and faith that God will answer you. This is the very time where you must not give up, instead pray more, and have greater faith, because the harder the evil one works to destroy your faith, the closer you are to God answering your prayer or helping you to achieve your goal. In Hebrews 10:35 it says, “Do not cast away your confidence for it will be richly rewarded.” Kalee, as a faithful believer in God, you should keep hoping, keep believing, and stay faithful. When God says we will be richly rewarded for keeping our confidence in Him that should give you a second wind giving you fuel to keep up the faith. Don't give up today on your dreams Kalee Cat and your hope in God. By developing the attitude, “I've come too far to stop now” and learning how to be full of hope, expecting God's favor daily, you'll see God begin to do amazing things even in the middle of the most trying of times! Kalee as you read this the Holy Spirit is telling me that you are closer than you think to victory. Dare to hope in God and His promises. I Promise you this Kalee God will watch over you. I Love You so Much Kalee Cat, Papa Leone’

August 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Speak, Lord, in the stillness, while I wait on Thee; hushed my heart to listen in expectancy. Speak, O blessed Master, in this quiet hour, let me see Thy face, Lord, feel Thy touch of power.

August 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Batman, Just wanted to say hi, you know I miss you. I think about you every day. Wanted to let you know that over the weekend we finished up our baseball season taking 3rd place in the State Tournament. We finished the year with a record of 25 wins and 4 losses. We actually had a 21 game winning streak until losing to Edina in the Simi Finals. I thought a lot about you and Dan during the Tournament and how much fun it was when you and Dan played on the team that took 3rd in State only a few years ago but now seems much longer. Dan stopped by last night and visited and we laughed until we had tears in our eyes as we shared stories. I miss how the three of us used to laugh like that together until our eyes had tears in them from making each other laugh so much! Now that baseball is over I hope to spend more time with Kalee Cat; Jen and I want to sign her up for swimming lessons on Saturdays and then do some shop-ping as Kalee calls it. Kalee is so beautiful! I Miss you Batman but we will be back together again soon and then you Dan and I can laugh again until we have tears in our eyes. Love Always, Dad*

August 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Show me the path where I should walk, O Lord; point out the right road for me to follow. Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you. Psalm 25:4-5

Kalee, Sometimes we're faced with several options in life, and we don't always know which way to go. In Psalm 25, David is asking God for guidance. David may have remembered that when he was a shepherd boy, he had to show the right path to his sheep who were wandering away. Just as he knew which path would lead to safety for his sheep, God knows the path that will lead us to everlasting life. Just as those sheep which looked to David for direction were in the least danger, so David knew he needed to look to God for his direction in life. Kalee even today God leads us by His truth—His written Word and His Spirit, which helps us to understand it. Kalee, if you are ever unsure of which path to take? Pray as David did and read what God has already said in His written Word. He will show you the right road to follow. I Love you so much Kalee Cat, Papa Leone’

July 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“*Speak, Lord, in the stillness, while I wait on Thee; hush my heart to listen in expectancy. Speak, O blessed Master, in this quiet hour, let me see Thy face, Lord, feel Thy touch of power. Kalee, In the Bible God revealed himself mightily to the prophet Elijah, sending fire to burn the sacrifice on Mount Carmel. But later, as Elijah moped on the mountain, the Lord taught him an important lesson. There was a wind, an earthquake, and a fire—but the Lord was not in any of these. Then a still small voice came; that was how God chose to speak to His prophet. The same is true today Kalee. We long for fire from heaven to silence the skeptics once and for all, but God doesn't usually work that way. Long ago He revealed Himself as a helpless baby sleeping in a dirty feed trough, and today He speaks quietly to ordinary people like you and me—if only we are still enough to listen. Kalee, when you lay in bed at night, listen for that small voice inside of you directing your footsteps. That voice will be the Lord speaking to you. If I can, if the Lord will allow, the gentle breeze on your face on a warm summer day will be me reminding you of how much I Love you Kalee. Think of me often, for my Love for you will never leave you, just as your Daddy's Love of you is always with you. You just need to lie still, and listen and feel with your heart and all these things will be revealed to you. You will know that we are with you when that first tear rolls down your cheek. I Love you Kalee Cat, Papa Leone' All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father*

July 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“*Heavenly Father, I come to You with a grateful heart. Thank You for leading me and directing my steps. Help me to see others the way You see them so I can honor You and live in unity all the days of my life. In Jesus' Holy Name I Pray, Amen.*

July 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Brian,I am going to write to Kalee but I wanted to say how much I Love and miss you. We all do! Kalee,I want to talk to you about finding happiness. This talk is about giving to the poor and less fortunate. I don't mean giving to the point where you never have enough to provide for yourself or those you love but instead to give wisely while not allowing greed to keep you from giving. Kalee people who allow greed into their life are never satisfied because self is at the center of its world, and the self is forever taking, grasping after whatever is beneficial to "me." A person secure in the Love of God approaches life with quite a different attitude: Because I am sure that God will take care of me and provide all that I need, I no longer have to be greedy, desperately looking out for myself and grabbing everything in sight. Ultimately, greed is a sign of emptiness. Kalee if you find yourself grasping after things in life, worried that you won't get what you want, what you need, or what you deserve, you have put your trust in the wrong place. Greed will use you up without giving anything in return. God's great Love offers us a fuller, more satisfying life. Always seek God first Kalee and through Him, all things that you need will be provided for you. Proverbs 11:24-25 It is possible to give freely and become more wealthy, but those who are stingy will lose everything. The generous prosper and are satisfied; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. I Love you so much Kalee Cat,Papa Leone'All Glory is Yours Almighty Father!

July 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



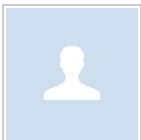
“ When I am saddened, I remember. When my heart cries out in pain, I remember. When I cannot go another step because the weight of this life is so heavy on me, I remember. I remember Your words Master and they bring me hope. I remember Your compassion my Lord and it brings me comfort. I remember that You will never leave me Jesus, because I remember the words You spoke on the mountain top to Your disciples when You said: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you."I remember that God so Loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that who so ever shall believe in Him shall never perish but have everlasting life.I ask only that You remember me my Lord Jesus, and allow me to always Love You. After that, do with me what You will. All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

June 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, I miss you so much and yet I feel your presence around me each day. Your daughter Kalee is so special! What a beautiful little girl! What is a great Mom, and everyone Dan, your Mom, What's family, Jen and I all fall more in Love with Kalee each day. How we all miss you! I get so tired some days. The tears on some days do not stop, I just do not let others see them, but I know that they too are weeping. Then just when I think I have reached the point where I cannot take it anymore, our Father, Abba, gives me strength to carry on. I Love you Brian; you and your brother Dan, and Kalee Cat. I Love all those who God has blessed me with in my life. Each of you have taught me something, and helped me become who I am. Father, I pray that You let me help those whom You have blessed me with in my life before I am called home. I pray that You bring others to me and that You fill me with Your Holy Spirit so that I may be of service for You and bring them peace. Abba, I humbly come before You, giving You all that I am. I invite You to fill me with Your perfect Love that casts out all fear. Fill me with Your peace and joy today and always. In Jesus' Holy Blood, that was shed at the cross for our sins I pray, Amen All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

June 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I Love you Brian. Dad

June 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, Father's Day is this weekend and I hope to see Dan and Kalee. You, Dan, and Kalee are always on my mind. Some days I really do not know how I would make it through the day without the Love of my Father. I wrote this quote about my feelings as this weekend approaches. "When one becomes a parent you understand what unconditional Love means. When a parent loses their child, they understand what unconditional pain means." The pain never goes away and yet it makes little sense to talk about or address it because it's still there at the end of the conversation. Happy Fathers Day Brian from Kalee Cat; I know Kalee would want me to say that for her. I Love you so much, you, Dan, and Kalee. The pain really hurts but if this is the price I have to pay to have had the chance to Love you three, then I gladly accept it. Love Always, Dad

June 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, I Love you. Dad

June 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Batman, I miss you so much. I miss fishing with you, and I really miss your humor. Most of all, I miss the times we had you, Dan, and I, and the times we won't get to have. I Love You and Dan So Much, Dad

May 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



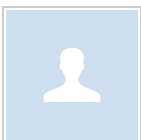
“ Lord,How many tears must I cry, how much pain do I have to carry through life before I can come home? I am so sad, I do not even remember who I am anymore. The pain is just so "THERE" everyday! What ever lesson I am to learn please open my mind and heart to this and bring me comfort. Father, You said, You promised never would any of us be put through something we could not handle. Well, I am really close to not being able to handle this anymore. Please help me, but no matter what I have to go through I will do it, and I will praise your name each step of the way. I know when it gets really bad like this that is when we are being prepared for our next challenge. I accept, but please help me. All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father,Leone' Paul

May 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM



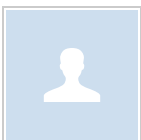
“ LORD, Grant me the light this day in the unseen realm to see how Your strength is greater than any foe that threatens to assail me. Open my eyes, Lord! Remind me of Your awesome power and unlimited resources, and then let me take courage because You are fighting for me! All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father,Leone'

May 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I miss you Batman! :(Love Always,Dad

May 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16).

May 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I Love you with all my heart. Grandpa Sweeney (Papa Leone)

May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father, I thank You that Your ear is open to the cry of Your children and that You will act on our behalf. With that knowledge, we don't ever have to hesitate to cry out to You for Your help and intervention in our lives. What a wonderful Father You are! All Glory and Honor is Your's Almighty Father, Leone' Paul

May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I wanted to talk to you today about the difficulties you will face in your life. Kalee, everyone goes through difficulty and challenges in life. One of the enemy's traps is to isolate you and to try and convince you that you won't make it. But God promises that He will deliver the righteous out of all of their afflictions. Kalee you are righteous because of your relationship with God through Christ Jesus. You are righteous simply by having faith in Him, His goodness, and the promises in His Word. Kalee, during the times in your life whenever the difficult moments happen remember to keep an attitude of faith and expectancy. Pray to the Lord asking Him for His promises that He made over your life. Remember that the Lord is Faithful and you can rest assured that He will bring you through the difficult times. It might be today, it might be next week, next month, or next year, but God is faithful! Through faith and patience, you will inherit the promise. You will get beyond your difficulty, and you'll increase in wisdom and strength because of the difficulty that you have gone through with your face always turned to our Father! All Honor is Yours Almighty Father, I Love you Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney (Papa Leone)

May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Lord Jesus Christ, By Your patience in suffering You hallowed earthly pain and gave us the example of obedience to Your Father’s will. I ask that You would be near me in my time of weakness and pain; sustain me by Your Grace, that my strength and courage may not fail; heal me according to Your Will; and help me always to believe that what happens to me here is of little account if You hold me in eternal life. My Lord and my God Amen.

April 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ FATHER, Help me to have a happy heart. Remove the anxiety that sometimes weighs my heart down. Keep my heart from growing proud. Instead, give me a pure heart—a heart that is pleasing to You. Help me to hide Your Word in my heart so that I can walk in Your Ways and enjoy life that is a continual feast. Love, Leone' Paul

April 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I wanted to share something with you about why it is important to pick good friends and not just friends who seem to be popular or funny. Because whom you pick for your friends and whom you decide to spend time with can create either a positive or a bad environment for you to be in. 1 Corinthians 15:33 tells us, “Do not be misled: ‘Bad company corrupts good character.’” The Bible is full of warnings about the influence “bad” people can have on us. Spending time with those who engage in sinful activities will cause us to be tempted by those activities. Believe me Kalee, your Papa Leone’, that the character of those you are around, good or bad, will “rub off” on you. That is why it is so important to surround yourself with other people who love the Lord, and are committed to Him. Try to find a friend or two, perhaps from your church, who can help you and encourage you (Hebrews 3:13; 10:24). Ask your friends to keep you accountable in regard to your quiet time (time spent talking with God), your activities, and your walk with God. Ask if you can do the same for them. This does not mean you have to give up all your friends who do not know the Lord Jesus as their Savior. Continue to be their friend and love them. Simply let them know that Jesus has changed your life and you cannot do all the same things they do. Ask God to give you opportunities to share Jesus with your friends. I pray that you will also remember how much I Love you Kalee, Grandpa Sweeney(Papa Leone’)

April 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee,Keep this close to your heart that it is much better to entrust our lives to God because when we let him call the shots as we take the role of willing and faithful servants, life begins running more smoothly. As David wrote, "Lord, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. You guard all that is mine" (Psalm 16:5). Kalee, I pray that your prayer be like David's: "Show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasures of living with you forever" (Psalm 16:11).I Love you Kalee Cat,Grandpa Sweeney(Papa Leone)

April 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman,I Love you and miss you. Even though I know you are around I wish you could be physically here to celebrate Dan's birthday with us. We all miss you so much Batman.Kalee,Remember that God saved you by his special favor when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.Love Always,Dad(Papa Leone')

April 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I am writing this to you for later in life; as right now you are a beautiful little girl but as you grow, life's lessons will become more challenging to navigate. The lesson in life I want to share with you today is about leading a virtuous (moral) life. The virtuous life--even grace itself--is often obstructed by human emotion. When people respond to situations, whether in thought, word, or deed with purely emotion, virtue flees and so, too, does the grace to practice virtue. Say, for instance, someone offers constructive criticism to you and you receive it only with lack of humility and self-defense. Perhaps you worry about your reputation and how others perceive your words or actions. This opposes simplicity of heart, which does not chase after its reputation. Perhaps you are prone to impatience or anger. Humility, based on Holy Love, must be allowed to capture your heart Kalee. Kalee always pray for a generous spirit. Such a spirit is always ready to forgive, always ready to practice virtue when put to the test. The generous heart recognizes when you should give to others and when to hold back. You will recognize the opportunities that grace affords you to practice virtue. In this way, you practice wisdom, not impulse. Kalee, always trust in the Lord to give you the grace you need to rise above pure human emotion. It is given to each soul in every present moment. All Honor is Yours Heavenly Father, Love Always, Papa Leone’

April 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, When your days are long and hard, and it seems you have no where to turn; pray this prayer and God our Father will bring you His peace. I Love You Kalee Cat, Papa Leone' Heavenly Father, Today I open my heart to You and choose to take refuge in You. Thank You for Your peace and rest and for showing me Your hand of blessing in every area of my life. In Jesus' Name I pray, Amen

April 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM



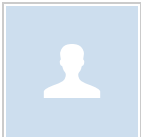
“ Kalee, Here is our true Easter Blessing which is found in 1 Peter 1:3-9 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of (your) faith, the salvation of your souls. All Honor and Glory is Yours Almighty Father. I Love You Kalee Cat, Grampa Sweeney (Papa Leone)

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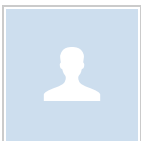
“ Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. Luke 23:34Kalee, There will be times in your life when you will be hurt or offended by what others say or what they might do, and sometimes you will be tempted not to forgive them. But Kalee remember that when people wrong us, our battle is not against them. The person(s) who hurt you is not the real enemy. The Bible says that your adversary is the devil, and he knows that if you don't forgive, then your prayers won't be effective. Unforgiveness puts up a barrier in your life to the power of God. In fact, if we don't forgive others, we can't be forgiven by God. For when we pray the Lords Prayer we ask “Forgive us our trespasses as we have forgiven those who have trespassed against us”. Kalee when you choose forgiveness, you open the door for God's healing power to flow through your life. Disarm the enemies who are in your life today by choosing forgiveness. Bless those who curse you and pray for those who wrong you. Look at what Jesus did when He was betrayed, beaten, mocked, and disrespected, He chose forgiveness. All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father I Love You Kalee, Grandpa Sweeney (Papa Leone’)

March 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Father, Thank You for Your faithfulness to me. Thank You for giving me strength during the difficult times. I trust that You are with me today and I choose to bear my cross knowing that it will and can only be done with Your hand holding me up. I Love You Father. All Glory and Honor is Yours Almighty Father. Leone'

March 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Happy Easter Batman; I Love you so much! Dad

March 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ hey i miss you babe love ya watch over me the next couple days ill really need ya!! ecspecially on friday when i have court!! love you! Muah!

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Whitney

March 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ O God, listen to my cry! Hear my prayer! From the ends of the earth, I will cry to you for help, for my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the towering rock of safety, for you are my safe refuge, a fortress where my enemies cannot reach me. Let me live forever in your sanctuary, safe beneath the shelter of your wings!Psalm 61:1-4All Glory and Honor is Yours Heavenly Father.I Love you Kalee Cat,Papa Leone'

March 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“*Strive to live in peace with everybody and pursue that consecration and holiness without which no one will [ever] see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14). My Dear Kalee, When I write to you here on your Daddy's website, I write to you in future terms even though you are young write now. My hope is that the words that I share with you now may provide you with comfort and direction as you go through this life. Today I want to talk to you about Holiness, which is so important to God. The Bible says that holiness is the key to seeing the Lord. When you obey the Word of God and allow Him to work in your life, you are pursuing holiness and you will see the Lord working in your life. The verse above starts by saying that we should live at peace with the people around us. Kalee when you have peace in your life, in your home, and in your relationships, it opens the door for God to work. However, if you allow strife, bitterness, anger or resentment in your life, and in your relationships, it blocks God's Blessing. Kalee I have found that when it comes to disagreements in any relationship, it does not always matter who is right, it matters what is right. Setting aside one's pride and anger and instead choosing peace is the right thing to do. As you read this message Kalee if there is someone in your life that you need to restore peace with just a simple act of kindness, an encouraging note, or small gift can open the door for restoration in your relationship. Now the other person may have a hard heart and you will have to realize that sometimes others do not want peace or forgiveness; in those situations pray for them and Love them from a distance. Do not allow them to make you bitter, instead pray for them and continue to seek God's Grace in every area of your life. Kalee through out your life let peace create a foundation for the blessings that God has in store for you, and remember...I Love You Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney (Papa Leone') All Honor and Glory is Yours Heavenly Father*

February 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary, Protectress of the Faith, shelter my faith in Your ImmaculateHeart - Refuge of Holy Love. In the Refuge of Your Heart and united to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Your Son, protect my faith from all evil. Amen.*

February 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



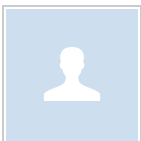
“ *Kalee, Do not look forward in fear to the changes in life; rather, look to them with full hope that as they arise, God, Whose very own you are, will lead you safely through all things; and when you cannot stand it, God will carry you in His Arms. Do not fear what may happen tomorrow; the same understanding Father Who cares for you today will take care of you then and everyday. He will either shield you from suffering or will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.*

February 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lord, who am I, that You should desire so much to be loved by me? And whom shall I love, if I love not You, my Jesus? Here I am, Lord; dispose of me as You please. Give me Your love; I ask nothing more. Make me all Yours before I die.*

February 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Today, Lord, teach me to love you with my whole being and share this love with others.*

February 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Brian, this is your Aunt Lee again, I would like to know if you came across meeting your cousin Les ? He went to be with our FATHER to on May 29th. 2006, you will like him. Say hi to him for me. LOVE TO YOU BOTH. AUNT LEE

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Lee [Leona] Sweeney] [James,

Kalispell, Montana

[Contact Me](#)

Lee [Leona] Sweeney] [James - February 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Brian, Happy Birthday and god bless your family. It's still hard to grasp that you're gone but I know you're with god and nothing could be better than that. Shawn*

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Shawn B,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Shawn B - February 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian,Happy Birthday Batman.Love Always,Dad*

February 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, There are times in my life when I swear that my heart cries out so loud I wonder what others might think; but then I realize that only I can hear the screams. They are a part of me now, just like the blood that rushes through my veins, and the gasp of air that leaves my lungs each time I lower my head to weep as I continue to miss you with each heartbeat of my life Brian. Tomorrow you will be 21 and I wanted to be the first to wish you a Happy Birthday. My present to you is what I promised you before, I got your back Batman until the day our Father who art in Heaven calls me home, I got your back. I Miss YOU and Love YOU So MUCH! Love Always, Dad

February 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ "This one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind I press forward to what lies ahead" (Philippians 3:13). Father, When my heart is sad and full of longing for my son Brian Thomas, I cling to Your promise Father that one day You will allow us all to be reunited in Your Heavenly Kingdom. So when those moments come where the pain seems unbearable, I will continue to turn my face to Your Holy Son Lord Jesus, calling on Him to protect me and to keep me safe from the evil one. Thank You for Your Love and Mercy that You protect me with, I Love You Father, Leone' Paul

January 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, There is not one moment in your lifetime that will happen without there being some meaning attached to it. Every breath you take has purpose and each soul you meet has come to you to receive a gift that only you can give them. This is because God has blessed all of us with unique gifts knowing whom we would meet along the path of our journey in life. By the free will that we have, we can choose to or not to receive those gifts others share with us, and/or whether we share the gifts of our hearts and soul to them. Kalee, never miss the opportunity to stop and search your heart for the treasure each soul you meet seeks. Because it is not yours to keep in the beginning. They are meant to be giving away; but once you have given it away, then it does become yours. I Love you Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney (Papa Leone’)

January 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I pray this over all of my family, and the families of my children and their children’s, children. Father of love and mercy send the precious blood of your son Jesus to cover our hearts and bestow upon us your grace and love. Strengthen our minds and hearts that in our daily work we may imitate your son Jesus who by his passion, death and resurrection has brought salvation to all mankind. We ask for the powerful intercession of all the holy angels and saints through Jesus Christ our king and merciful Savior. Amen.

January 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, When the sun sets down on the mountains and the clouds turn purple and pink. When golden rays send fingers out to touch me, I stop breathing and inhale with my heart because I know that along those glittering strands of light lies my connection to you. I LOVE YOU SO MUCH BRIAN THOMAS!! Love, Dad

January 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM



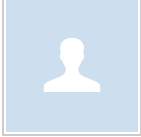
“ *Brian, I miss you so much, how I wish you were physically here. I Love you Brian, and thank you for your humor. Love, Dad*

January 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, Christmas has come and gone and you are on my mind as always. Dan and I had a great time playing Ping-Pong; Kalee and Whit came over and we all shared some smiles. But I can perceive in their hearts that they too miss you and long to hear your voice. I miss you so much...I wish I could carry Kalee's smile in my heart for moments like this where I am so sad; Kalee your smile lights up my world and helps me believe that tomorrow might be ok even though today is so tough. Merry Christmas Brian I Love You and Dan so much, I just hope you both know that! How I wish I could trade places with you Brian so everyone wouldn't have to miss your beautiful smile. Love, Dad Father, For the honor of your name, O Lord, forgive my many, many sins... Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and in deep distress. My problems go from bad to worse. O, save me from them all! Feel my pain and see my trouble. Forgive all my sins. Psalm 25:11, 16-18*

December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bri- just thought i would stop by and tell ya kalee and I miss you and love you so much!*

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Whitney

December 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sorry I'm late to hear about your leaving, before I even had a chance to know you. Your Aunt Lee James in Mt.*

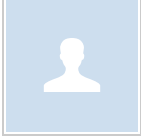
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Lee [Sweeney] James,

Kalispell, Montana

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Lee [Sweeney] James - December 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, It's snowing outside and my thoughts turn to you and your love that you have for this weather. I miss you Brian, but life is short and eternity is well forever. As each day goes by you remind me that you are here. Each day that goes by Our Father shows me His Favor, and Love. Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your promise of grace in my life. Thank You for undeserved favor that You have given me and for empowering me through Your Word. I receive Your grace right now and invite Your Love to flow through me today. I want to thank You for hearing our prayers for Whit and Dan, may You continue to bless them with Your favor. Anoint their heads Father with Your blessing of Love and show them Your Love by bringing Joy back into their lives. In Jesus' Name Amen To you Kalee, Whit, Dan, Kathy, Jennifer, Jack, and all those who Love Brian I pray that you open your hearts to the Lord, that you allow Our Father to bring Joy back into your lives. Think about what Brian would want you to do; he would not want us living in tears. For his life was not defined by when and how he left, but by his heart and the Love he has for all of us. Brian would want us to remember the smiles we shared with him, not the tears. So I pray this prayer over all of you knowing that we can never get over Brian leaving, but we can show the courage, and faith to go through it. When you get to the point in your faith where you trust God, you will feel Brian presence around you in your thoughts remembering the laughs you shared, and the memories that no one can ever take away. So May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord shine his face upon you and be gracious unto you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. I Love You Father Leone’

December 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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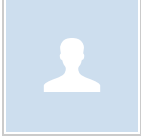
“ You said yourself before, where are you? I'm needing you much more, I guess you never knew And now everything, is gonna fall apart I need you here, not just in my heart This wasn't how it's supposed to be And now I'm torn with misery I won't forget you please don't me In loving memory You said yourself before, where are you? Face down on the floor, I bet you never knew And now everything, is gonna break again If it just began, why did it have to end? It won't go away....

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Whitney Dahlvang,

Anoka, Minnesota

Whitney Dahlvang - December 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I wanted to write to you and remind you to always be thankful not just when things go right, or on Thanksgiving Day but each and everyday. When you learn how to remain grateful every day you are developing a habit of happiness in your life. There is no such thing as an ordinary day. Every one of your days is a gift from God that is unique and irreplaceable. When you train your mind to see the good and discipline yourself to focus on the positive not only will you be happier but you will bring joy to all those you Love when they see the joy in your eyes. I Love You Kalee! Grandpa Sweeney

November 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Happy Thanksgiving Batman; I Love you and miss you. Dad

November 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Father, Thank You for Your blessing me by answering my prayer for Whit. I often times write in here how I Love and miss Brian so much, but Father, without Your Love there would not have been a Brian. In as much as I Love Brian, I Love You more Father. In as much as I Love Daniel, Jennifer, Whit, Kalee Cat, and all the others You have blessed me with and brought into my life, I Love You more Father. As it says in Psalm 73:25 "Whom have I in heaven but you? I desire you more than anything on earth. This Thanksgiving, I am most thankful for Your Love of me. I Love You Father. Leone' Paul

November 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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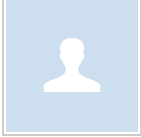
“ Brian i so could use you right now i dont even know wat to so with myself.... i just want kalee to have everything she needs and wants and i cant do it by myself i wish u were here so much.. i talked to a recruiter about a month ago about possibly joining the army i feel lik ya ill be away from kalee for my six weeks for training and one weekend a month but i kno than she will always have the stability i dont know wat else to do im so lost if u get a chance just please give me sign that ur still around I love you and Miss you!! And Please bring Dan Back to us!

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Whitney,

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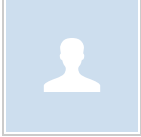
Whitney - November 07, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds” (Psalm 147:3). Kalee, Whenever hurt comes into your life, do not let the evil one take away your cheer. I know this may seem impossible to do, but by always being of good cheer you are showing your faith that you believe that the Lord your God is a God who heals. Know this Kalee, we are chosen by God. God has chosen us; before the world was made God knew who His chosen ones would be. The evil one knows this as well and what plans God has for us; that is why he tries to discourage us by bringing heartache into our life. You are a child of God, and He will protect you from the evil one. Have faith because it doesn't matter what is "broken" in your life, no matter what hurt has entered your life, God's nature is to bring you complete healing. When I heard that your Daddy had died I immediately cried out to my Father that “I will never turn away from Him”. I knew right away that the evil one had attacked me and those who Loved your Daddy and was trying to get us to turn away from our Father. Nothing to that day hurt me as deeply as your Daddy going to be with the Lord; I Love your Daddy and Uncle Dan so much and the pain of not having your Daddy here is great, but not even this would get me to turn away from my Father. How could it? If not for the Love of my Father, I would not have known the Love that I have for my children who where and are “a gift” from God. The first year after your Daddy died I remember very little of it, I knew God was wrapping Himself around my wounds, protecting me from a hurt that He knew I could not handle; He would have to handle it for me. I recall various people coming up to me during that time and they told me of how they admired my strength as I was forced to move forward. They knew how much I Love your Daddy and Uncle Dan. How nothing in this world every meant anything to me until those two little dudes came into my life. What those people did not know, was that I was doing nothing but falling apart. It was my Father who carried and continues to carry me through each day. I have told a few people that it feels like I am on God's shoulder kicking, screaming and crying my eyes out while God carries me through each day, but the people who I see each day, see me as being strong as I go through each day when in fact it could not be

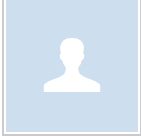
further from the truth if not for my Father's Love of me. All Glory is yours Heavenly Father. Kalee, when your Daddy and Uncle Dan were born I knew what unconditional Love was; every parent does, because it is the only time in your life you will understand what "unconditional" Love truly means. Then I experienced this "unconditional" Love again when you where born Kalee. I remember your Daddy coming into the lobby at the hospital with this Hugh smile and a Love in his eye that showed he now understood what Love means, and saying "Dad, come and meet your Granddaughter". When I walked in the room, I saw your Mom and the Love for you that shown in her eyes, and then I saw you, and I cried with such great joy, because God had blessed us all with you, and I Loved you from the moment I saw you. Getting back to my message for you today; I Love thinking about the day you where born. :) Kalee, notice what the Psalmist says in the verse above: He binds up their wounds. If you have a broken arm, it doesn't just heal overnight. The doctor makes a cast to hold it in place and protect it. He binds up your wound. God does the same thing; He wraps Himself around your brokenness and protects the wounded area until it is strong enough to function properly again. This is what God continues to do for me. I know I will see your Daddy again, but before that can happen I have things I need to do. In closing for today Kalee Cat; The Bible also says that He is a restorer. That means that when He does a work of healing in our lives, He makes us better than we were before. Kalee, when you read this, remember that when something is not going right in your life always turn your face to God and ask Him for his blessings, and ask Him to heal what

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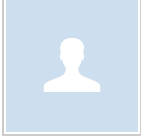
“ Kalee, One of the most important things to remember that Jesus taught us is this. Matthew 5:1-12 Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down His disciples came to Him. And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you." I Love You Kalee, Grandpa Sweeney

October 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Brian, Today I am going to say I Love you Brain and I miss you; now I am going to talk to Kalee. Kalee, I Love you so much, each day you continue to become more beautiful, smart, funny, and just a joy to be around. Kalee, as you grow up know that God desires that you continually rise to new levels. The more obedient you are to His promptings, the more favor, and blessing you'll walk into. When you're about to make a decision Kalee that you shouldn't, there's an uneasiness deep down inside. That's God trying to lead and guide you. If you ignore these promptings of His Spirit, your heart becomes hard. It becomes more difficult to hear His voice until we submit ourselves to Him again in humble obedience. Throughout life, God will deal with different areas in your life. He knows what's holding you back, and He wants to see you move forward. He knows what areas you are not comfortable facing and He wants to strengthen you so that you can deal with those things. Listen to His voice Kalee, and don't allow your heart to be hardened, I Love You, Grandpa Sweeney

October 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, I Love you Brian and thank you for bringing me the news that today was your mass. Kalee, when I talk about how your Daddy talks to me from time to time this is a perfect example. Today is Thursday and last night after work I usually go to Adoration on Wednesday nights. The last few weeks though I have missed for one reason or another. Last night, I thought about going home, but I could hear God calling me to the church. So, I went, and when I got there I normally pray the rosary because the rosary was always something of interest and special to your Daddy. But when I sat down in the pew, God said to me "Leone', lets talk for a bit". I said to God, how about if you talk and I listen? God said fine, He then went on to tell me several things such as I should read the bible more, and how I should go to church more often even though I have trouble hearing the mass because it is important for me to partake in the Lords Supper. God continued talking telling me other things such as that Brian was wonderful and happy, that the reason I have not had my hearing restored is because it has been more of a blessing this way because of what I might have done or said if I had heard what was said to me or at me at various times in my life. Then God said, "Leone' I know you are hungry but before you leave to go get something to eat, please read the monthly news letter." When I sat down to read the news letter I saw that there was to be a morning mass for Brian the next day. I never would have known this if I had gone home like I was intending. When I read this, I wept with joy and thanks to God the Father for Loving me so much. And as I did I could feel your Daddy sitting there right by me smiling and letting me know that this was a gift from him as well because apparently they all knew in Heaven how sad I would be if I had missed this mass. Then this morning, when I started to drive down the street by my house to go to mass, a pheasant, a rooster pheasant flew alongside my Jeep, and the colors where so beautiful and I immediately said "BRIAN!", because I knew in my heart that Brian was letting me know he was with me. Kalee, your Daddy Loved teasing me with his humor which was so funny; you have a lot of that humor in you I can see already. Kalee, your Daddy told me to tell you he Loves YOU with all of his heart, you and your

Mom, and that one day we all will be together again. Love,Dad who also is a very proud Grandpa

October 25, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“*Hi Brian,I Love you so much and miss your smiling face (Although I see it from time-to-time when Kalee Cat smiles, Kalee looks so much like you) when you and I would be together cracking jokes and then laughing even harder when Dan would repeat it and then laugh. :) Good Times! I look forward to more times like that when we are all together again. I Love you and Dan so MUCH! I will talk to you soon,Love Always,DadThere are many rooms in my Father's home, and I am going to prepare a place for you. If this were not so, I would tell you plainly. John 14:2Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die like everyone else, will live again." John 11:25*

October 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“*Brian,I Love you Brian! How I miss the days when you, Dan, and I did so much together. Even when you picked on Dan or when you where just crabby, it was always fun because I could always get you to smile by snapping my fingers in front of your face. It was really stupid but for some reason it always made you smile. I miss you, and I miss Dan. Dad*

October 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father, For the honor of your name, O Lord, forgive my many, many sins... Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and in deep distress. My problems go from bad to worse. O, save me from them all! Feel my pain and see my trouble. Forgive all my sins. Psalm 25:11, 16-18 I Love You Father, Leone' Paul*

October 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, I Love you Brian and I was missing you a lot again today. I went onto your Aunt Margo's Caring Bridge website just to see what you wrote again; I wanted to hear your voice as I read what you wrote to your Aunt Margo. You said... Aunt Margo, I know i never see you as often as i should, and i realize that you need love and support, but i need my aunt your not only my aunt your my god mother, every time i think of your situation, it brings a tear to my eye, and i know that i act like im a tough guy to alot of people, but i cant be tough when it comes to you i need you here, and i love you and i would do anything to take this away. So i guess id just let you know no matter how bad times get i have your back i know you'll always have mine, your my guardian angel and i love you. Brian Thomas Sweeney Coon Rapids, MN USA - Thursday, December 16, 2004 10:27 PM CST I miss you so much Brian, and like you said to your Aunt Margo, I am saying the same to you, "So i guess id just let you know no matter how bad times get i have your back i know you'll always have mine, your my guardian angel and i love you." Brian's "Very Proud Father" Leone'*

September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ Hey bud I just thought i would stop by and see how u were doing and let u kno i really could use u right now!! I been thinkin about u alot lately and how things would be so differnt if you were still here lately i been so lost i dont talk to any one anymore... its werid..... just kinda keep to my self and work.. kalee and I will be moving in to our own apartment on Oct 1st and im pretty excited finally i place to call home.... just wish u could be here with us!! I love u Bri!! Miss ya not a day goes by I dont think of you!!! LOVE YOU!

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Whit,

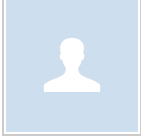
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Whit - September 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Today is Kalee's birthday, we had her Birthday Party yesterday, and as usual, everyone did a great job of spoiling her. I as many others I am sure thought about you during the party, and how much you are missed. I Love you so much Brian, and miss you every day. As much as I miss you, I miss you as much or more for Dan, Whit, Kalee, your Mom, and all the other people you meant so much too. Dan seems to be the one most lost without you. I never realized what an influence you where to Dan and how he reached out to you when he needed someone to talk to in private. Brian, days go by bringing us closer to you, and I continue to put my trust in our heavenly Father for I am sure that all things have a purpose. I trust Him to comfort those of us who turn to Him during times of heart breaking despair to create our greatest triumphs. I pray for Dan, Whit, your Mom, and all those who mourn and miss you so much. I Love you Brian,Dad

September 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, The world continues to move forward, some days without me. I miss you so much Brian; I hear your voice from time to time letting me know you are ok, thank you for that. I am worried about Dan, I pray for him that our Father will look over Dan and bless him. Kalee will soon be two years old, and Brian she has so much of both you and Whit in her. You both have that mischievous sense of humor and so does Kalee. I miss you Brian, as do a lot of people. I Love you Brian. Kalee, Earlier I mentioned how I would write to you more often as time goes by talking to you about things I hold dear, and things you should know. Today I want to tell you a story about a man who never gave up. This story holds the message I always told your Dad and Uncle Dan when they where about to enter into a sporting event. As in most sporting events, as in life, it does not matter how you start out, but how you finish the race. Some people may believe that others should have ran their race this way or that way, but only God knows the race you are suppose to run as well as where your finish line is. My dear Kalee, let your heart listen to God, and you will know what race you are to run, and where your finish line awaits you. On October 20, 1968, a dramatic moment took place at the Mexico City Olympics. A few thousand spectators remained in the almost dark Olympic Stadium awaiting one last runner. Finally the wail of police sirens ripped the air. As all eyes turned to the gate, a lone runner wearing the colors of Tanzania staggered into the stadium. John Stephen Akhwari was the last contestant to finish the 26-mile contest. He had injured his leg in a fall and entered the track bloodied and crudely bandaged. While he hobbled the final, lonely lap, spectators rose and applauded him as if he had won. After the race, someone asked him why he had refused to quit. "My country did not send me 7,000 miles to start the race," he replied simply. "They sent me 7,000 miles to finish it." Kalee, to help all of us achieve a strong finish in our race of faith, Jesus Christ promised that "Whoever confesses Me before men, him the Son of Man will also confess before the angels of God." Kalee, you can finish your race well by eagerly confessing Christ before others, and when you are on your last lap, as with every other event in your life, your Daddy, and I will be there cheering you

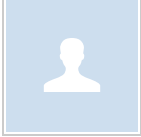
on. I Love you Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney

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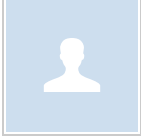
“*Dear Kalee, One day you will realize that your imagination is extremely powerful. God created you as a visual being. Choosing the right images in your mind's eye is important because your life will move in the direction of your thoughts. The way you see yourself in your mind's eye, over time, will drop down into your heart and become your reality. If you'll create a picture in your imagination of something you want, or a dream coming to pass and keep it in front of you, then you will move in that direction. Kalee Cat, I encourage you to get up every morning and picture yourself succeeding! Picture yourself healthy and whole! Picture yourself and your family not only being blessed, but being a bigger blessing to others. Kalee, if you'll keep the right images in front of you, and always submit yourself to the Lord through prayer and thanksgiving, you'll move forward into the life of victory God has promised you. I Love you Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney*

September 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Well this summer is almost over; and all the kids will be going back to school soon. I miss all those times with you and Dan. I think about the good and shall we say, more difficult times that you and Dan had with school but what I wouldn't give for those days now, and how I am missing you. Jen, Jack, and I went and picked Kalee up today and went shopping and out for lunch, Kalee is so fun, I know you are so proud of her and Whit. I Love you Brian, and I miss you each day, and every minute of each day. Every day, my heart that was wounded when you left, bleeds non-stop. When I think about "Getting Better", I laugh, and I ask myself "How is that suppose to happen"? How can anyone "Get Better" after losing a son or daughter that they Love as much as I Love you and Dan? I pray to my Father to please help me through each day. To please let me have my joy back knowing we will all be back together one day with you. Then I bounce back, and I get through the day. But....I miss you; miss fishing with you, but mostly, I JUST REALLY MISS "YOU" BATMAN!! Love you Batman,Dad

September 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“*Father, I am grateful for all the blessings that You have giving me in my life Father and all of the blessing I know you will pour over me in the days, months, and years to come. Father, right now I choose to praise You and thank You for your promises in my life. Thank You for completing the work you've started in my life so far and the work that You will complete with me from this day forward. Help me be a blessing and an encouragement to others each and every day. Thank You for the Love You have poured over me when You let me become a Dad, and now a Grand Father. Father, You have brought many joys into my life, to many to write all of them here. I Love You so much Father, and I am so very grateful for all the Love, Peace, and Kindness You have shown me since I was born. Others say that I share a special relationship with You, and I know this to be true, for You have blessed me, and kept me close to You and away from harm throughout my life. You have sent your angels to protect me and to attend to me before my pain from missing Brian grows to strong for me to handle. Each day Father, You comfort me, and when I close my eyes I can feel your presence around me, calming me, as a Father would to his child. I know that my loneliness now will be one day replaced with great joy. I know that my sadness will be turned into celebration, and I know that my path to these promises require me to be long-suffering. I will do so with faith, and thanks. I will do this while holding your hand Abba as you lead me down the path you want me to travel. As I travel down this path, I pray for you to help me Father bring peace to those I meet along the way. As I travel this path you have laid out for me, I will do so while remembering my confirmation promise that you gave to me; Be ever thou faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. For those who continue to mourn the passing of Brian, Father I pray; Lord, Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life; You did console Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to all who mourn, and dry the tears of all who continue to weep. Jesus, you wept at the grave of your friend Lazarus; comfort us now I pray in our sorrow. You did raise the dead back to life; I pray that You give Brian eternal life. Brian was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; I ask You Lord Jesus to give Brian fellowship with all*

the saints. Brian was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant Brian a place at your table in your heavenly kingdom. Comfort all of our sorrows at the passing of Brian; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of comfort: Deal graciously, I pray, with all who mourn; that, casting all our cares upon You, we may all know the consolation of your Love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. I Love you Father, Leone'

August 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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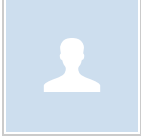
“*hey brian i just thought i would stop by to see how u were doing i miss you soo soo much and i wish u were here with me! I love you Bri and hope u finally found a happy place!*

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Whitney,

Anoka, Minnesota

Whitney - July 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM



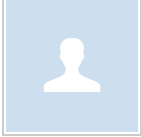
“ *Batman, Over this past weekend Jacks baseball team that I help coach, the Rockies, won the 11 year old In-House Andover City Championship and now we will play in the State Tournament in August. This reminds me of when I coached you and Dan and we won all those championships together. I had such a great time with that and the parents and kids I got to know. I remember how I gave you the name Batman from the movie that you Loved so much as a little dude, but later, the name Batman came from your ability to hit so well. I miss you Brian, and I miss being able to talk about you, and sometimes I feel really alone. I Love YOU, Dad*

July 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM



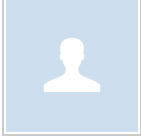
“ *Brian, Today would have been a good day to go fishing. You where so good at fishing that I believe you could catch a fish in a water puddle. I miss you so much! Love Always, Dad*

July 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM



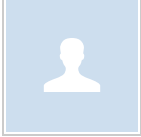
“I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy” John 16:22. Brian, Each day is a good day because it is a day closer to all of us being together. But I have things to do for my Father before that will happen. So each day I will live in the joy that my Father wants me to have and gives to me each day. Although I struggle from time to time, I will always turn to my Father to refresh my heart. I Love you Brian, and as I said before, the only feeling stronger than how much I miss you is how much I Love you; but some days it is hard to tell which one is stronger. On those days, like every day, I turn my face toward my Father, Abba (God). For my Father alone sustains me against all of the madness of this world. I Love everyone that my Father has brought into my life, but never anyone above Him, my Father. Even in pain I give thanks, for if it were not for my Father's Love, I would not have had the chance to feel the pain that I feel so deeply from missing you Brian My Son, along with Daniel I Love you both so very much. Kalee, as you grow up, at times, your life will probably be so fast paced that it seems to be swirling around you at times. In the midst of a hectic schedule, there are plenty of opportunities to lose your joy. But you don't have to let any circumstance, or anyone rob you of the joy that is rightfully yours in Christ. Kalee once you have decided to follow God, and listen to Him, alone, nothing can take away that joy that is within you. And when your heart is set on joy, no one can wrestle it away from you unless you allow it. Your enemy is roaming around like a lion - waiting to devour, destroy and rob you of joy (1 Peter 5:8). But he can't steal what Jesus has given to you Kalee. The verse at the beginning of this letter is a promise from Jesus, Himself - so hold onto the joy Kalee that He has put in your heart! I Love you Kalee
Cat, Grandpa Sweeney

June 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, Brian, this is for Kalee. Kalee, I Love you more each time I see you, I Love you more each time I think of you, and how you nod your head while you say "Love You" to me. I do it back to you, nodding my head and saying "Love You" and you laugh and laugh. I Love you so much Kalee Cat. Kalee, this is something I want to share with you for when you are older and understand. I want to tell you that listening is a lost art today; I hope it will be better when you are older. Today, many of us are so concerned about expressing what we think or believe that we just don't listen closely to others - or even to God. As a Christian, Kalee, try to develop your senses so that you can hear God's voice in the midst of the world's noise. God speaks not only through the Bible, but also through godly counsel and His Holy Spirit. If you want to know what God desires for you Kalee, just ask Him. But then be ready to listen for His answer. All it takes is a simple prayer like the one Samuel prayed in 1 Samuel 3:10, where he said to God, "I am listening." Kalee you never know just how God will speak to you, so listen for His still, small voice to answer. If I am not here as you grow older read this over and over again, and you will understand what it is you need to do. Love, Grandpa Sweeney Kalee, Your Dad asked me to write this next part to you. Kalee, I am with you everywhere you go and I want you to know that I Love you so much. At night, while you sleep, I come to you in your dreams and hold you and tell you how much I Love you. I will see you and your Mom again, but until then, hold onto my Love in your heart, and in your dreams because I am always near. I Love you, Dad

June 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Brian, I miss you! I know you are around me from time to time in the spirit. I know this because of the unmistakable feeling I have when I hear your voice, or feel your presence around me. Jesus said "It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no avail; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But there are some of you that do not believe." Well I believe, and that's why I know you are with me from time to time. Thank you for directing me to your Fathers Day card yesterday, it meant the world to me to read what you wrote. I Love You, Dad

June 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, Today we celebrated your brother Dan's open house over at your Uncle Doug's and Aunt Kelly. We all had a very nice time and I thought about you as I am sure everyone else did. I miss you so much. I know you are proud of your little brother big bootie for making it. I hope now he goes onto college. I will be thinking about you a lot tomorrow on Fathers Day. I can't imagine it will be anymore then I do every day though. I MISS YOU BRIAN! Love, Dad

June 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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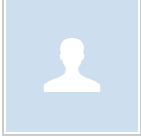
“ DADDY-baby kalee wants to type and write u a message wvn
tnbnmfkjmncm,ejkt***love u daddy*ckjfkjhnkbjkk,gm f, x miss u so
muchf mmmmrjg vv fv

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Ur daughter,

anoka, Minnesota

Ur daughter - June 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM



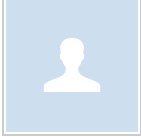
“ My Dear Kalee, The basketball team your Uncle Dan plays for and I coach won the Championship this, our last year together. Your Daddy would have been my assistant coach (He mostly used the gym time to play ball with us :). Your Daddy was a great athlete!) as he was in past years with this team, but since he was not here, before the Championship Game I named you my assistant coach. Before the Championship Game started all the players and coaches names were introduced over the PA system as you were as the assistant coach for our team, the Gophers. After we had won the championship there was an on court ceremony where each Head Coach presented his players and coaches with trophies. When the ceremony began but before I called each player up to receive their trophy, I talked for a moment about your Daddy and how he was not here but that “YOU” where. At that time I asked your Mom to bring you up to receive the championship trophy you and your Daddy won, and when she did you where wearing your Daddy's jersey. This was an opportunity for you and your Daddy to share. I hope you still have the jersey and trophy when you read this Kalee Cat because being able to do this meant the world to me as I am sure it did for your Daddy as he watched us from Heaven. I Love you Kalee, Grandpa Sweeney (Or as you say it Pa-Pa)

May 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, Today is Memorial day and I still cannot bring myself to go to your grave. I just can't. I Love you so much Brian, and today...well today would have been a great day to go fishing. I MISS YOU SO MUCH!Dad

May 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman,I just wanted say hi, and to let you know that you have been really heavy on my mind as always. Must be because the fishing opener came and went but I just can't seem to even want to think about going without you. You and I where the best fishing team ever and I miss that and about a million other things we did together. Thanks for stopping by when I hit those really low moments to let me know you are around and that soon we can be together again. I Love you so much Brian!Dad

May 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ To The Family of Brian Sweeney: Today, May 1, our family learned of Brian's death. Brian was a neighbor of ours in Ramsey and went to school with our son, Dan. Brian and Dan lost touch (apart from school) after Brian moved to Andover. We liked Brian very much. We are deeply saddened. You'll be in my prayers. Keep the faith. Christ is coming very soon.

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Lucinda Benson,

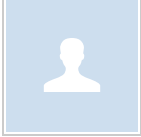
Ramsey, Minnesota

Lucinda Benson - May 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Brian, Just came by to say hi and to tell you again how much I miss you and Love you. I look forward to spending time with you and doing some fishing. I miss you buddy! Dad

April 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian, Happy Easter I miss you buddy! We just came back from our cruise last night and today is Easter. I missed you on the cruise, it would have been "REALLY GREAT" to have you with us. With it being Easter today though I know I will be with you soon and then we can go fishing again. Kalee Cat is getting big, and Whit is a great Mom. Your brother Dan misses you so much but he won't talk to me like he use to and I miss that so much! Life is really up and down with you being gone, but my faith is in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to get us all through this. I Love you Brian Thomas! Love, Dad Father, not my will but your will be done.*

April 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Brian-Hey its whitney i just thought i would right to ya cause im having kinda a tough day.. I miss you so much and i have so many questions i would like to ask u..... Every day is a challenge for me i jsut really wish u were here to help me raise our beautiful daughter....Im tryin my best with raising her..... And every night i think about how much differnt it could of been... and how i really hope u werent mad at me for something when u left us..... our last words were I love you to eachother and i hold on to those last words with my life... i also have a message on my phone from u i always listen to so i can just hear ur voice and let Kalee listen to it... well im gunna get going now... I love you always and forever!

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Whitney,

ANoka, Minnesota

Whitney - March 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Kalee, I was so happy to see you at Uncle Dan's basketball game. You are so sweet Kalee, and your love for your Grandma Kathy is very obvious. You spent the night at Grandma Kathy's house and came to our game. Even though our team did not win, Uncle Dan, Grandma Jennifer, and I came out with smiles on our faces because you were there. Each day Kalee, each and every day I thank my Father for his blessings, those I see, and those I do not see or understand. Kalee, when you pray, end each prayer as Jesus said when he prayed to his Father "But not my will, but Your will be done Father". Then believe that no matter what happens, that our Father, who art in Heaven is watching over you. You are, and always will be in my prayers Kalee, I Love you Kalee Cat, Grandpa Sweeney

March 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Today I am going to write to your beautiful daughter. Kalee, This entry in your Dad's guest book is to you Kalee Cat. Kalee, I wanted to talk to you a little in case I am not here later. I do hope to have the chance to watch you grow up, to take you fishing, and do a lot more with you, my darling Granddaughter. Kalee, I know you will do well in life, because your Mother is a great Mom, and I know your Uncle Dan who Loves you so much and by the way you react everytime he is around you it is very obvious that you Love him dearly as well, will be here for you. I do not know your other Grandparents well but I know they Love you deeply as do your other Uncles, and Aunts. But this is from me Kalee to you so if I am called home to the Lord before we get a chance to really share time together, I wanted to tell you that I Love you Kalee Cat with all my heart. I have treasured every moment I have had so far to hold you in my arms, to watch you laugh, and to watch you shop :) I will write more to you here as time goes on but remember me as your Grandfather, who Loves you so much! You are and always will be my Kalee Cat. Love, Grandpa Sweeney

March 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman, Just stopped by to say hi and to tell you I Love you. I miss you batdude. I got your back buddy. I Love you, Dad*

March 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hi Brian, Just stopped by to let you know I got Kalee the earrings you wanted her to have. I Love and miss you so much each day. Love,*

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Dad

February 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Hey Brian Just wanted to let u know Jalisas mom will be joining u soon.. she left us yesturday morning.... Make sure u welcome her with open arms..... Were really gunna miss her so make sure ur gunna look down and watch over all of us we need ya!

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Whitney,

Anoka, Minnesota

Whitney - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



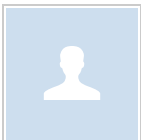
“ Father, I Love you Father, thank you for bringing Brian and Dan into my life. They have and continue to bring many blessings into my life. Thank you for Jennifer, Jack, Whit, and Kalee and all of the many blessings you have giving me. I Love you Father; and even though my heart is hurting, I remember my confirmation promise. "Remain faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life". I will trust in you Father with all of my heart and soul for now and all of eternity. Although I struggle in this life some days and I do not always understand the path I am on, let not my will, but your will be done. Leone'

February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Batman, Today is my Birthday and it seems that I am missing you more (if that is possible) today. I said missing because I know you are doing great and I remember those moments we talk, but sometimes, deep down, I think it is still ok for me to tell you how desperately I miss you! I Love you Brian, and I look forward to seeing you again. Dad

February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Happy Birthday Batman! I miss you so much, but today, Dan and I are going to celebrate your birthday by going to a movie and having your favorite lunch at the DQ. A mushroom Swiss burger basket and a cookie dough blizzard. I Love you Brian, and thank you for stopping by from time to time to let me know you are doing just fine. I LOVE YOU!!!Dad

February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ *BRIAN, I think this is the first time I have been on here but your father told me it is always open. Today was one of the days I did not stop at your grave. For some reason I am really saddend you are not here and I am really missing you. We are moving on with life but is not with you in our memory every day. dan spends alot of time with me and I love every minute I have with him. I only wish we had this time with you. I have had time with Kalee and I can only tell you how much she is like her father. She is your clone, maybe she is a godsend to us, we have welcomed Whitney into our family and Love her as a daughter, and Kalee is our special love and only hope Whitney can accept this we love both of them. Life hands us so many challanges and disapointments in life that we have to learn to deal with and go on. AS I told many of your friends you have to live for tomorrow because tomorrow may be the best day of your life. I miss you and love you with all of my heart. I love you with all of my heart for ever and evre in the whole wide world. LOVE YOUR MOM*

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MOM,

COON RAPIDS

Contact Me

MOM - January 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM



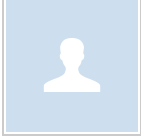
“ *I MISS YOU SO MUCH!Dad*

December 28, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Batman,It's been one year since the horror began knowing that you where gone. I know I will see you again, but I miss you and Love you so much Brian Thomas Sweeney!! Kalee Cat and Whit where over last night and we had a really nice Christmas with them. Kalee is beautiful and Whit is a very cool person, you have very good taste falling in Love with her Brian.I went to the church last night at midnight and prayed the Rosary for all of us. My first time praying the Rosary but I did it because I know how special the Rosary was to you that Alice gave you. While my eyes where closed I felt/sensed a shadow walk by me and I knew right away it was Jesus letting me know everything will be alright. When I went to the Prayer Book where everyone writes their prayer requests, I stopped and read a few, and when I went to write a request I couldn't ask for anything after reading a few of the prayer requests that where already written; so I wrote the following: Please...not my will but your will be done Father...your son.I Love You BrianDad*

December 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Merry Christmas, Today I want to offer all of you who have continued to keep me and my family in your prayers while sharing your constant words of encouragement a Christmas present. To give you your present first I must share a story with you. There was a guy who had this dog, and the dog stayed outside all the time on a leash. He would go out every day to feed, and play with his dog but the dog always stayed on his leash. For several years the dog would see other dogs go by and wanted to go play but he couldn't because he knew how long his leash was; even when the cat would walk by and tease him, he would run after the cat always knowing when to stop before the leash would pull back on him. One day the man decided to take the collar off of the dog and when he did he just sat in a chair to watch and see what would happen. He thought for sure the dog would run off after the other dogs as they came by enjoying his new found freedom but when they did he just sat there. When the cat came strutting by the dog took off after the cat but again he stopped at the point his leash would have stopped him. Like this dog we seem to stay in our rut, not venturing out beyond the length of our leash. But Jesus death on the cross removed that collar from our necks and we no longer live in the captivity of sin. All we have to do to find the freedom that is ours, is to step out in faith, just take one more step in faith to find the freedom that Jesus birth and death gave us. My Christmas present to all of you is this, take that one more step, realize your freedom from your addictions to cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, your health problems, your feelings of being alone, or unloved, and problems that have been handed down from one generation to the next in your families. God will help you but first you must take that next step, that next step in faith looking for your freedom and once you do, you will find the freedom that you have been looking for. When you are ready, pray this prayer; the Jabez Prayer: Oh, bless me indeed Father, Enlarge my territory; guide me with your hands, And keep me from evil so that I may not cause others pain. If you pray this prayer God will release his angels to watch over you and guide you down the path that was prepared for each of you. Pray this prayer in faith, and know that it will be done on Gods time table, not ours. So, Merry Christmas, and

thank you all for visiting Brian's guestbook and please continue to leave messages to Brian, and/or all of us. All Glory is yours Heavenly Father, Leone'

December 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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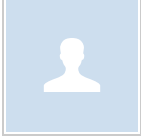
“*hey daddy just thought i would stop by and say Merry Christmas and let u know ur girls arent doing to tough we really miss u! But know we will be up to see you tommorrow to light candles and remember the good times we had! I love you so much and i dont think anyone can ever compare to wat we had..... I love you Brian and cant wait to see u again!*

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Whitney Dahlvang!,

A-town, Minnesota

Whitney Dahlvang! - December 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman, Today is Christmas Eve, and I miss you so very much! I wanted to stop by and wish you a very Merry Christmas and to tell you again how very much I miss you and Love you. I Love you Brian!!Dad*

December 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

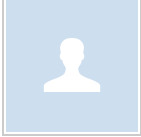


“ Leone, When your son passed, our family was so sad and heavy hearted, yet we failed to seek you out and let you know. I am so sorry for that. Today, as I read the guestbook entries for Moose, I was so moved by your loving message to Scott. I immediately looked for Brian's guestbook and read every page. You really are an inspiring person Leone, who has and is enduring such a loss, yet you remain faithful, open and loving. I just want you to know that your son's death touched us too, even though we did not know him. You coached our son Corey, along with your son Dan, in Little League, many years ago. You were a wonderful coach back then and continue to be a wonderful example of a person with faith and tremendous courage. I am so sorry about your loss of Brian, especially as you near the first anniversary. Please know that many are thinking of you and your family and wishing you peace with Brian, and joy with your beautiful granddaughter. Cindie, Nels and Corey Johnson

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cindie johnson

December 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Batman,I have been thinking about you a lot so I thought I would pop by and say hey. I Love you Brian and Gods knows how much I miss you. Please be with us this Holiday season, your stocking is up with Wits, and Kalee Kat. God I Miss You!!!!Love,DadP.S. Dan isn't doing his homework, stop by and kick his butt.

December 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM



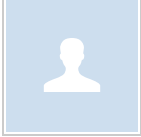
“ Happy Thanksgiving Brian..We all miss you so much. Kalee and Whit came over yesterday to visit. Kalee is so big, and looks so much like you. I can't begin to tell you how proud I am of Whit as she continues to grow as a Mom. Kalee really Loves her Uncle Dan, and cell phones. :) Remember Batman, I got your back. I Love you so much and I look forward to seeing you again soon. Love,Dad

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Leone' Sweeney,

Minnesota

Leone' Sweeney - November 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

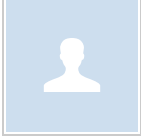


“ Hey Batman, Thought I would stop by and say hi. I miss you so much, I really miss you so much Brian! Your cousin Jordan passed away and now we are reliving the grief and horror of losing someone much too soon. I want to say thank you for the times you stop by and let me know you are around. That means the world to me Brian. Kalee Cat spent the night Saturday, and we had a great time. Kalee is walking now; a little wobbly but just the same she is walking. I played “Get You” with her like we used to do when you where just a little dude. I chased her around the center island and she would just scream in delight when I caught her and then we would do it again. I will stop by again Batman to talk more. Until then remember Doctor Evil and Mini Me and how they would do that I Love you sign that we always did to each other? Well I do it every time I walk by your picture in the living room and I am doing it now. I Love you!

~

Dad

October 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *The only feeling that surpasses how much I miss you Brian is how much I Love you. But at times it's hard to tell which one is stronger.* ”

~

Dad

September 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Hey daddy just wanted to let you know youe baby girl is walkin!!!
Hope youe Watchin down on her!! I lvoe you so much and Miss you
so much words cant even describe it!! Remember to be around for
Kalee's Birthday on Sunday 5-8 at my moms Love ya! See ya When
I get there!

Love,
YOur baby girls!!

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Whitney,

Minnesota

Whitney - September 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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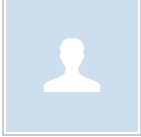
“ Hey hun- just thought I would stop by and say hey sorry havent been up to see u lately things been kinda rough...everyday seems to get worse I miss u more and more everyday.....I miss ur smile ur voice everything about u and I even miss the way we fought :) Now i dont got anyone to argue with I know we fought alot and half the time we did it on purpose just to push eachothers buttons and we def. knew which ones to push :) but know i love you! Kalee is going to be 1 next month I cant beleive that....Shes about to walk and shes got three teeth and workin on more I really wish u were here to see both Kalee and I grow up! remeber not a day goes by that i dont think of u and wish u were here with me.. just wish some how u could give me a sign or something so i know ur ok and i know ur watchin over us...I hope ur ok and your not doing anything up there to get in trouble haha I love you daddy!!!! Miss u!!

~

Whitney and Kalee Sweeneydahlvang :),

Minnesota

Whitney and Kalee Sweeneydahlvang :) - August 30, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *I Miss YOU!!*

I LOVE YOU FOREVER AND MISS YOU EACH DAY!

Dad

August 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Batman,*

Thought I would pop in and let you know that Dan took and passed his drivers test on the 12 of July. Now he is driving both my jeep and your mom's car all the time. I think he actually owns my Jeep! I miss you Batman, but I know it will be like a blink of the eye and we will be together again. Kalee came over the other weekend and spent the night and even though no one else heard it, I did, Kalee said "Who's that?" and "What's that?". She reminds me so much of you when you where a baby. Whit's doing a great job raising Kalee, but we all wish you where still here. I miss you Batman, and I Love you so much!

Love you always,

~

Dad

August 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Hey bud-
Just thought I would stop by and say hey Im not doing so good
these days I miss you so much... nothing is the same Very
lonely..... Kalee is gettin very big gunna start walkin soon.. :) We
think about u everyday and everynight.. still cryin myself to sleep at
night :(I Love you and Miss you daddy!

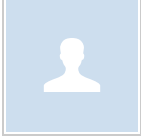
LOVE WHIT AND KALEE

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Whitney and Kalee Dahlvang,

Elk River, Minnesota

Whitney and Kalee Dahlvang - July 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Happy 4th of July Brian, I miss you so much! Every tear drop, every moment of my broken heart, I Love you and miss you more.*

Love Always,

Brians Dad

July 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian,
Happy Fathers Day Brian; I saw Kalee cat yesterday and Whit.
Kalee has your smile and her eyes have both Whit and your eye color. She has beautiful eyes. Whit is doing a great job, I know you are proud of her. She is a great Mom. Remember, I got your back Batman.*

I Love you and miss you "SO MUCH"!

Dad

June 18, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Brian, I wish you could be here to see Linette she is just about to pop they say it most likely a boy I know you already know. I also have so much work that we both could have been on the "come up". Well I got to say days aren't the same since you been gone but I going to keep on moving on and I know you'll make shore of that so keep on keeping on and watch out for my mom and tell her I know she hears my now.

MOM I love you both and I'll see ya when I see ya.

LOVE

JERRY

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jerry howell,

coonrapids

jerry howell - June 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Hey Brian,
Just came by to tell you that I Love you and to mention that tonight is Whit's graduation ceremony. I know you will be there and I know you are proud of her and all that she has accomplished and continues to accomplish both for her and for you with Kalee. I Love you, and I cannot begin to find the words that accurately say how desperately I miss you.

Love,

Dad

~

Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Leone' Sweeney - June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *God makes a promise, faith believes it, hope anticipates it, patience quietly awaits it.*

I Love you and miss you so much Brian.

Father, I miss Brian so much, and I want to see him as soon as I can, but let not my will be done but let it be done by your will Father. I Love you and my trust is in you heavenly Father.

Brian's Dad

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Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Leone' Sweeney - May 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Brian,
Kalee has her first tooth! I Love you so much Brian and we all miss you so much. I know you are with us, and soon we will be together but right now it is really hard not having you here. I Love you and miss you Brian more then words could ever say. How I look forward to the day we can be together again. Until then, I got your back Brian. I will watch over Kalee, Whit, Dan, Mom, Jen, and Jack until the day I die. And like everytime you really wanted to be sure that I would do something for you that was really important to you, you would ask me to say I promise. So this is for you Brian, "I Promise".

God I miss you!

Love,

Dad

~

Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Leone' Sweeney - May 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Hey daddy I just thought I would stop by and say hey!!! I really miss you and wish you were here with me and our baby girl!! She is gettin so big and she looks just like you!!!! I love you soooo much and I always will... I cant wait till the day we meet again and can be a family again! Don't you find any new girls up there :) haha I love you Babe!! See ya when I get there

**Whitney* ONE LOVE!!*

~

Whitney Dahlvang,

Anoka, Minnesota

Whitney Dahlvang - May 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KD

“Daddy-

We have had some hard times and really wish you could be here to help us through them. We really miss you and I want you to know not a day goes by we don't think about you. I hope you hear us every night before we go to bed and every morning when we give you a kiss and tell you we love you!!! I hope you had a good birthday and I hope you liked the Balloons and flowers we got you!! Please continue to watch over us and Please help me through this. Hugs and Kisses from your baby girls!!!

Love you always and Forever,

Mamma and Baby Kalee

*ps. She is getting so big and she looks like her daddy! I LOVE YOU!
YOUR MY ONE AND ONLY!!*

~

Kalee and Whitney Dahlvang,

Anoka, Minnesota

Contact Me

Kalee and Whitney Dahlvang - February 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Father,

Today is Brian's birthday and many of us will be recalling our special friendships with him, as well as the Love that many of us shared with him. But Father, I wanted to thank you for allowing us to have the time that we did with Brian. Thank you so much for the Love that Brian brought into all of our lives; the many smiles that he gave and received because of his very special spirit. I want to thank you Father, for with out your Love, Mercy, and Grace, none of us would have had the opportunity to be missing this extraordinary young man. So, please, on this very special day, Bless us all again by removing any sadness that we may feel. Please replace that with the incredible and very special feeling we all had when Brian would smile that sweet, special smile of his at us.

Father, I know you know what we need before we even ask, and this is why Jesus taught us that when we pray, to pray this way.

*Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.*

Amen.

I Love you Father!

~

Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Leone' Sweeney - February 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Brian,
Today "is" your birthday. Happy Birthday Batman, I Love you so much, and like all of those who knew you, I miss you so much. Let me fill you in on some things that have happened since you left. Bridges that seemed burned have been rebuilt. Relationships that seemed strained have been giving another chance. I know you are behind this, because it is what you have always wanted...for everyone you Love, to Love each other, and to respect each other. Brian, you are my beloved son whom I "AM" so proud of. Daniel and I miss playing "Brian Ball" with you. I promise you, Brian, I will until my last breath, protect Whitney, and Kalee. I Promise you Brian, I will be there for Daniel and your Mom. I promise I will be there for Jennifer and Jack. Most of all, "I promise" that I will live my life with honor, for our Father, and for you Brian.

I Love you Batman, Happy Birthday!

P.S. Thank you for allowing me to write what I am about to write.

Love Always,

Brian Thomas Sweeney's very proud Dad,

Leone'

~

Leone' Sweeney,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Leone' Sweeney - February 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *It saddens me to hear about Brian he was a great guy. His family is in my thoughts and prayers. I am very sorry for the loss.*

~

Amber Lofgren,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Contact Me

Amber Lofgren - January 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM

FA

“ We, The Ahola Family, are very saddened by your loss. Just two years ago we went through the same pain and sadness. It is very difficult to lose someone close and dear in our hearts. No words can ease your pain but know this... God Can and Will...Ease the Pain.

The Ahola Family, send our prayers at this time. Take care

~

Florence and Mark Ahola,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Contact Me

Florence and Mark Ahola - January 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *Kathy, my friend from long ago...how life changes...back at REO there were no cares or worries (just make more parts than the last person!)...and then we had to grow up. I think of you often. I am so sorry. Lisa (Caverley) DuHamel*

~

Lisa DuHamel,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Lisa DuHamel - January 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ To Brian and loving family. our prayers are with you, in time of need,in remembering the memories you shared. i know i relived them in my head over and over again, looking at old pictures from when we were kids.when brian came back to school to graduate. he told me he was doing it for his daughter he loved talking about her and showing off her picture to anyone evan if he didnt know them that well he was just so proud. just made everyones day seem all that much better seeing the way he loved her and looked at her. we miss you and hope you found peace. WILL MISS YOU BUT NEVER WILL FORGET YOU!

~

April & Nate Randall,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

April & Nate Randall - January 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *My deepest empathy to you Whit and Kaylee, Brian's family, and friends: How shocking for you. He was working hard at feeling at peace when I last heard. REST in PEACE Daddy. No one can replace you. God Bless you in your journey. The rest of us will try to help your family however we can.
My prayers to you, Judy Hall*

~

Judy Hall,

St. Paul, Minnesota

Judy Hall - January 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Leone'

*My heart just breaks for you. I won't begin to say that I know how you feel but I know your grief is deep. Please grab ahold of Jesus and hold on for dear life. He will always comfort you and give you the peace that you need in your heart. The Psalms always help me. Chapter 139 is a wonderful one. God bless you and your family.
Love Sonja*

~

Sonja Eggum,

Andover

Sonja Eggum - January 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *To the Sweeney family,
I was so sorry to hear about your son Brian. May your family find
peace in the wonderful memories that you share with each other.
May God be with you all.*

~

Sue Surgenor,

Prairie Farm, Wisconsin

Sue Surgenor - January 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *BRIAN AND FAMILY,
I WAS SO SHOCKED TO HEAR THE NEWS ABOUT BRIAN, THE
LAST TIME THAT I HAD SEEN HIM WAS ON WHITANYS
BIRTHDAY AT A COMEDY TOUR IN MINNEAPOLIS, WE ALL HAD
DROVE TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE! WE ALL WILL DEEPLY
MISS YOU BUDDY! YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WILL BE IN MY
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS! LOV YA REST IN PEACE!!*

~

ANGELA WARHOL,

RAMSEY, Minnesota

ANGELA WARHOL - January 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Leone and Jennifer*

I am so sorry to hear about Brian. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Bonnie

~

Bonnie Holter,

Danbury, Wisconsin

Bonnie Holter - January 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Brian,*

Today I just got back from Hawaii, finding out the news. I have to say I was definately shocked..talking with you right before I left. I'll miss you Brian, it's hard for me to find the right words to tell you how I feel right now. I truly hope you are in a better place and found happiness. I will think of you every day. My prayers go out to Dan and family. I miss you guys and stay strong.

~

Michelle Denardo,

Andover, Minnesota

Michelle Denardo - January 02, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ *My Dearest Kathy - Once again we are challenged with a terrible loss and once again with the strength of our incredible family we will get thru this. Know that Brian has finally found peace and Kalee will now have her own special angel!*

Whitney- The courage you showed at Brians funeral was amazing. Please know that you are not alone in your pain. Keep your chin up for Kalee and never let her forget how much her daddy loved her. She is a lucky girl to have so much love.

~

Kelly Walch,

Anoka, Minnesota

Kelly Walch - January 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ *Kathy and Sullivan Family:*

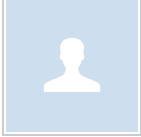
How sad we were to hear of Brian's passing. No words can express our sadness and that thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Many happy memories surround us of Spring/Summer softball games, sitting in the stands and cheering the boys on. Kris is very sad and sends his deepest sympathy. What a blessing to have a grandchild that will forever remind you of him. Keep strong. Mark, Vickie, Kari and Kristopher Williams, Coon Rapids.

~

Vickie williams,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Vickie williams - January 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ To all that loved Brian, we have not lost him, for he is with us in our hearts and memories. Brian may have had a heavy heart at times but he always had a genuine smile and hug for all those he loved. To his mother-You must believe in your heart that you did everything a loving mother could have possible done for her child. You loved him with every once of your being and he knew that. Brian will live on through our memories and through his beautiful daughter. Celebrate what Brian was, a warm and caring person who lost his way but has now been found. We will always love you Brian, now and forever and ever.

~

a friend

January 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ *Leone & Jennifer & all who loved Brian. We were so saddened to hear of Brian's death. You are in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this tough period. God bless you all.*

~

Louise & Dave Orttel,

McGregor, Minnesota

Louise & Dave Orttel - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Brian-

Ever sence the first time I saw you I knew I wanted to know you. Affer time went by you became to mean alot to me. You helped me through so much I cant imagine how my life would have been without you in it. We had our share of times but even now all I can seem to remember is you smiling and making funny faces, you always made me laugh. I am so very proud to have known you and I will always remember you! Also to brians family,whitney and his little baby girl you are all in my prayers!!

~

Ashley Butler,

Elk River, Minnesota

Contact Me

Ashley Butler - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Whitney & Kalee-

I cannot begin to express how deeply i feel for your loss and i want you to know that everyone is in my thoughts and prayers. You're a strong girl, and I'm here for you always!!

Love you Nat

~

Natalie svetlin,

Ramsey, Minnesota

Contact Me

Natalie svetlin - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ ~

Natalie svetlin,

Ramsey, Minnesota

Natalie svetlin - December 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Leone & Jennifer & family,
We were so saddened to hear of Brian's death. You are in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this tough period. God bless you all.

Sue and Stefani Meyman

~

Sue Meyman,

Andover, Minnesota

Sue Meyman - December 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *Kathy and family.....My heart aches for you and the loss you've suffered. No words can comfort a grieving parent but I want you to know that you're loved and prayed for every day.*

~

Patti Aune,

New Brighton, Minnesota

Patti Aune - December 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Leone', my forever bud. I hurt so bad for you. I know that your boys were your everything, and words can not express how sorry I am. I hurt deeply for you and Jennifer and the rest of your family. Know that I am hear for you, if you need anything, anything at all. Know that God is with you and i have lifted you and your famliy up to him several times. Lean on him Leone' He will be there for you. With all my Love, Your Sister in Christ. Julie

~

Julie Vickroy,

Zimmerman, Minnesota

Julie Vickroy - December 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *Kathy and Danny,
I have so many wonderful memories of you and your boys. The
cutest kids I ever met. I remember seeing Brian in September and
he gave me a huge smile and hug and that is what I will remeber. A
boy who had a quick remark on the phone or in person that always
made me smile.
Patti*

~

Patti Wylie,

Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Patti Wylie - December 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ *"Peace-Out" "Sweendog!" Love ya lots!
They won't let me say that in church...Kathy, You know his pain is
gone and we'll get through this! Love ya! PV*

~

Aunty Patty VS,

Andover, Minnesota

Aunty Patty VS - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Leon and family, we are deeply saddend to here of Brian's Death. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. my dad always remembered telling Brian how strong an arm he had when playing football. He will always be in our thoughts.

~

Mario Ramotar,

Coconut Creek, Florida

Mario Ramotar - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ *Kathy & Family,*
I am so sorry for the loss of your son/brother. Know that I am
thinking and praying for all of you.
God Bless & watch over you.
love, Franny

~

Franny Barrett(Rudolph),

Emily, Minnesota

Franny Barrett(Rudolph) - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Leone & jennifer

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Just know you have alot of friends and family that care. Although I have not had the pleasure to meet brian, I know his parents were loving people that loved him dearly. may god be with you all...

~

Kathy Axt,

Champlin, Minnesota

Kathy Axt - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Leone,
*The soul of the ones we love and lose will live on in those they
leave behind. We ache for your loss of Brian and will live to comfort
Dan.*

Lynn Burns and TJ Leary

~

Lynn Burns,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Lynn Burns - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Leone', Jennifer & Dan,
Our hearts break for you and what you must be going through right now. Just know that you and Brian are in our prayers. Our sympathy goes out to your entire family in this time of grief. We love you.

~

Tim, Stephanie, Matthew & Ben Percefull,

Katy, Texas

Tim, Stephanie, Matthew & Ben Percefull - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Brian~

hey hunnie! you were such an awesome friend and father. just seeing you the other day made my day with your smile. At this sad time it makes me happy to know you are in heaven watching over your baby girl and family. Just know that you will forever be missed!

Love you

Ashlee and Jayda Belisle

~

Ashlee Belisle,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Ashlee Belisle - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Whitney and Family:*

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I am sorry about the loss of Brian but at least he still lives on. Whit you always know that no matter what you need I'm here for you so if you ever need anything dont be afraid to ask. My prayers are with the entire family and I am truely sorry about the loss.

Love,

Accala Sullivan

~

Accala Sullivan,

Andover, Minnesota

Accala Sullivan - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Leone, Kathy, and Jennifer,

On behalf of myself and the other Directors of the Andover Athletic Association, please accept our most sincere condolences. While it is impossible to understand what you must be feeling, know that our thoughts are with you.

~

Steve Gompertz,

Andover, Minnesota

Contact Me

Steve Gompertz - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *Christa and Family:*

Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.

Ed and Nancy Burns of Anoka

~

Ed and Nancy Burns,

Anoka, Minnesota

Contact Me

Ed and Nancy Burns - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Leone and Jennifer,
My prayers are with you during this difficult time. Always know that God is there for you. I have experienced a loss like yours in my life and personally know that the only real source of peace and freedom is from our loving God. Look for and see the Jesus around you in friends, family, and others. May the dark cloud of sorrow and pain be lifted by His light. Your friend

~

Craig Johnson,

Anoka, Minnesota

Contact Me

Craig Johnson - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Dear Kathy and Sullivan Family,
Here I am again struggling to find words to comfort you in yet another loss to your family. I guess God just wanted Margo to have her Godson with her in heaven. Once again my heart is heavy thinking of the pain all of you must be going through and just know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. God Bless all of you and know that neither Brian nor Margo are suffering any longer. Let the great memories of them sustain you in the times ahead. Love, Sue Perko*

~

Sue Perko,

Bloomington, Minnesota

Contact Me

Sue Perko - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of my family at this time. I am truly sorry about Brian. He will be watched over well by Margo and Uncle Tom. My Love to all of you.*

~

Barb Hubbard,

Isanti, Minnesota

Contact Me

Barb Hubbard - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KK

“*Jer, our thoughts and prayers are with you. You've had to endure so much the last several months. Don't lose faith!*

Brian, from what I and Jeff knew of you, you were a wonderful, fun person. You will be sorely missed.

*With deepest sympathy to the entire family,
Kim, Jeff, Kyle & Brittany Kelsay*

~

Kim Kelsay,

Blaine, Minnesota

Contact Me

Kim Kelsay - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Brian, aka (B-nuts) as I called him was on the road to happiness from the day his girl was born and let it be known that not a day went by that Brian didn't say that baby's name and smile.

p.s.

he was the little brother I never had and he will never be forgotten by the ones who know and loved him. "he was my DOGG" R.I.P. B-nuts

~

jerry howell,

coonrapids, Minnesota

Contact Me

jerry howell - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *As a mother of young sons, I can not imagine the heartache that is upon your family at this time. I wish you all the strength possible during this very difficult time. Lean on your friends and family for support. It is truly tragic to lose a family member and even more so when its someone so young and innocent. Condolences from my family to yours.*

~

Kelly Anonymous,

Delano, Minnesota

Kelly Anonymous - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Brian-

I just hope you know how much we loved and always will love you. You were my everything! I know we had are tough times but we always got through them no matter what it was we were there for eachother through thick and thin. I just don't know how I'm going to go on with out you.... I need you kalee needs you. I'm lost and confused right now but i know I have to be strong for me, you and our gorgeous daughter kalee. Brian I LOVE YOU AND WILL ALWAYS MISS YOU!! I PRAY YOU HAVE FOUND PEACE AND HAPPINESS. My prayers are also with the family and friends stay strong.

Love,

Whitney and Kalee Dahlvang

~

Whitney And Kalee Dahlvang,

Anoka, Minnesota

Whitney And Kalee Dahlvang - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Leone,

Words cannot express the deepest sympathy I have for you and your family. I am here for you, Leone. It is family and friends that help us through these terrible times. Brian will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Your friend, Tom

~

Tom Bergherr,

Dayton, Minnesota

Tom Bergherr - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LB

“Kathy and family, I am so terribly sorry to hear of Brian's passing, my heart goes out to you. It should be comforting to know that you have a HUGE network of friends and family that care and that Brian and his godmom Margo, are together. My deepest thoughts and prayers are with you.

~

Linda (Lee) Betley,

Blaine, Minnesota

Contact Me

Linda (Lee) Betley - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM