



## Brad D. Skiles

September 5, 1980 - August 26, 2021

Brad David Skiles, affectionately known as Bratley by many of his family members, left this life on August 26, 2021 at 8:29 p.m., at Freeman Hospital in Joplin, Missouri.

Brad was born on September 5, 1980, in Taipei, Taiwan to Ted and Beverly Skiles. He was raised in Taiwan at the Home of God's Love, a children's home that was run by his parents. He attended and graduated from Morrison Christian Academy in 1999 and then moved to the United States. He attended one semester at Ozark Christian College. He then attended American Flyers Flight school in 2001 where he received his Commercial Pilots License and Flight Instructor Certification. He held various aviation positions. He also resided in California where he cared for his grandmother. He later returned to Missouri and made Carl Junction his home.

Brad will always be remembered for keeping everyone around him in stitches with his quick wit and great sense of humor. He was the life of many family events while gathered around the table playing games and entertaining everyone with his animated stories in English and in Chinese.

After much pressure from his brother-in-law, he became an Iowa State Cyclones fan. He also loved watching the Dallas Cowboys and the Dallas Mavericks. He loved riding motorcycles (usually very fast), playing basketball,

soccer, and golf. Growing up in Taiwan gave him the ability to speak fluent Mandarin Chinese. He had a love of Chinese foods, especially Taiwanese curry, and the Asian Culture. He enjoyed playing with babies and caring for the elderly.

He was greatly loved by his parents and siblings. He is survived by his parents Ted and Beverly Skiles of Lo-Tung, Taiwan and Carl Junction, MO, Mark (Vicki) Skiles, Carlisle, IA, Greg (Amy) Skiles, Carl Junction, MO, Vicki (Darin) Smith, Dallas, TX, Holly (Dan) Toney, Carl Junction, MO, Steven Skiles (Taiwan), and Chris Skiles, Carl Junction, MO. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

The family rejoices in knowing that several other families are celebrating because of his willingness to be an organ donor.

A visitation will be held on September 4, 2021, from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. at Fir Road Christian Church in Carl Junction, MO with a Memorial Service following at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made through Fir Road Christian Church in memory of Brad Skiles to help with expenses.

# Tribute Wall

KF

“ *Ted & Bev,  
We send condolences in your time of loss.  
May God’s peace and comfort be with you as you grieve the loss of  
your son. We remember Brad as a happy, smiling, caring, brother in  
Jesus.  
There’s coming a day when we’ll all see him again, in eternity.  
Praise God for the hope we have in Jesus Christ our Lord and  
Savior!*  
*Kurt & Delberta Fluharty*

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**Kurt Fluharty** - September 08, 2021 at 06:20 PM

BH

“ *Heartfelt condolences and prayers to Bev and  
the family during this tough time.*



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**Barbara Hamblin** - September 04, 2021 at 12:59 AM

DK

“ *Praying for all the family and friends.*

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**Debbie Klahn** - September 03, 2021 at 10:18 PM

HA

“ *Hatayama's purchased the Basket of Memories  
for the family of Brad D. Skiles.*



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**Hatayama's** - September 02, 2021 at 04:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brad D. Skiles.*



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September 02, 2021 at 04:05 AM



“ *One of our earliest memories of Brad was when we first came to Taiwan in 1986 with the Kings to teach him first grade and his brother Chris fifth grade. We were really impressed and humbled when he was sent as our translator to negotiate buying a refrigerator because we couldn't speak Chinese of course and at 6 years old he was fluent.*

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**Mike & Dezi Worstell** - September 01, 2021 at 06:36 PM



“ *Barbara King lit a candle in memory of Brad D. Skiles*



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**Barbara King** - September 01, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ *Freya Lim (from Taiwan) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Brad D. Skiles.*



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**Freya Lim (from Taiwan)** - September 01, 2021 at 01:54 PM

KT

“ We have fond memories of Brad going on Sports Ministry trips with us to Malaysia. He had his quirks, but was always actively engaged with the young people we met. We appreciated his energy and basketball skills!

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**Kristi Tan** - August 30, 2021 at 11:16 PM

DY

“ We are deeply saddened by the news of Brad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone.

*David, Crystal, Autumn, and Austin Young*

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**David Young** - August 28, 2021 at 10:11 PM

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*All of us in the Taylor family will greatly Miss Brad! We are continuing to hold up all in this Skile's family during these difficult days.  
Carolyn and Steve Taylor*

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**Carolyn and Steve Taylor** - August 30, 2021 at 11:55 AM