



Brian Matthew Arnold

January 12, 1962 - December 14, 2018

Brian Matthew Arnold, 56, of Topeka, Kansas passed away unexpectedly of natural causes Friday, December 14, 2018.

Brian was born January 12, 1962, in Mountain Home, Idaho to Neal and Ann Magill Arnold. He attended Roosevelt Junior High, graduated from Seaman High School in 1980, and attended Washburn University. Brian loved baseball and played for Washburn all four years. Those years provided some of his favorite memories.

Brian was employed by Hills Pet Nutrition as a quality control laboratory technician. In October 2018, Brian retired from the Hill's Pet Nutrition Topeka Plant after 34 years of service. At his retirement, Brian was considered to be the subject matter expert in the site formulation process and online quality checks. Brian was recognized by Hill's on multiple occasions during his career as the recipient of the Chairman's You Can Make a Difference award, an awards program that recognizes and rewards employees who achieve outstanding results. Brian took great pride in his profession.

Brian was a generous man who helped others anytime he could. He celebrated life and was known for his infectious smile. Brian loved music, sports, cooking, dancing and most of all making memories with his family and friends.

Grateful to have shared his life are his children, Amber Schmidlein (Greg), Jerret Arnold (Carolyn); his mother, Ann Smith; brother, Alan Arnold (Vickie); sister, Julie Hayward (Larry); and former wife, Quail Lowe. Brian was preceded in death by his father, Neal Arnold, and his step-father, Norman Smith.

Brian is deeply loved and will be forever missed.

Family will greet friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, December 21, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, to celebrate his life.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Washburn University Foundation, to benefit the Washburn baseball program in memory of Brian, sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **21**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Brian Matthew Arnold*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - December 20, 2018 at 05:00 PM



“ *Brian Matthew Arnold*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I have worked and known Brian for 34 years! He was the man to go to if there was a problem with the quality of our product. I wish i could have been there for his Celebration Of Life but i had to work. My prayers are with him and his family! We will all miss him !!!*

Alan Gravenstein - December 22, 2018 at 12:48 AM

JB

“ Ann, Alan & Julie,

Very sad to learn of Brian's passing. The last time I talked to Brian was at Atria when Corky was moving out. We had a lot of fun and crazy times back in the day. Playing sports around the neighborhood, baseball at Billard Park and McDonald Field, riding bikes all over town, camping, putting up hay, BB gun wars, lots of stuff I can't remember and probably shouldn't talk about even if I could remember:) It is amazing any of us survived our youth.

May your family have peace and solace, God bless you all,

John Boggs & Family

John Boggs - December 21, 2018 at 12:14 PM

JC

“ Ann, Alan, Julie and family,

My heart is broken for all of you. Although it has been many years since we have seen each other, I have very fond and happy memories with the Arnold family, through my friendship with Julie. You are all in my prayers.

Jolene (Jody) Carter (Sutton)

Jolene D Carter - December 21, 2018 at 11:46 AM

LN

“ *Ann, Alan, Julie and Family,
We are saddened to hear of Brian's passing. To young and to early.
God has a plan for all of us. Heaven gained a good one. I remember
some really good times we all had on memorial day weekends
camping at the lake and partying. Brian had an infectious smile.
Hold your memories close. Rest in Peace Brian. Prayers to all of
you during this difficult time.*
Leslie & John Noller

Leslie Noller - December 21, 2018 at 08:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Brian Matthew Arnold.*



December 21, 2018 at 08:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Brian Matthew Arnold.*



December 20, 2018 at 03:35 PM

PS

“ *Our deepest condolences to Ann, Allen, Julie and Brian`s children.
We`re so sorry for your loss. Brian was a very personable polite
man. We will all miss his upbeat smile and his positive attitude. Jeff
and I are very sorry for your loss. Price and Jeff Smith*

Price R. Smith - December 20, 2018 at 02:54 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brian Matthew Arnold.



December 20, 2018 at 02:52 PM



“ Ann, so sorry to read about the death of you son. Take care my friend, Love n Hugs
Martha Caffrey Frankfort, Ks

Martha Caffrey - December 20, 2018 at 12:17 AM



“ Rose Tribute was purchased for the family of Brian Matthew Arnold.



December 19, 2018 at 09:37 PM



“ I still can't believe you're gone. Ill never forget all of our fun times, your awesome dance moves, and your infectious laugh. I love you and will miss you everyday.

Love,
Nic

Nicole Nantz - December 19, 2018 at 10:33 AM

CR

“ My condolences to the Arnold family. May God comfort each of you at this difficult time.

RIP Brian. See you again on the other side.

Cindy Raines-Duffy - December 19, 2018 at 09:13 AM

RM

“ My condolences to Brian's family and extended family. We had some great times and great laughs playing baseball and basketball. Always fun.

Rick Morris - December 19, 2018 at 08:36 AM

DA

“ Brian was a good guy and will be missed by many. He and Coach Anson are most likely sitting with a cold one and rehashing every Ichabod baseball game Brian played. Sympathy and hugs to Brian's family and close friends.

Dena Anson

Dena Anson - December 19, 2018 at 08:16 AM



“ Heaven's Comfort was purchased for the family of Brian Matthew Arnold.



December 18, 2018 at 09:43 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Julie, Alan and Ann as well as Brian’s children. He was part of a very close and loving family who will miss him dearly. Brian had an easy smile and put others at ease. I’m so sorry for your loss.*

Julie Smith

Julie Smith - December 18, 2018 at 08:49 PM



“ *I was shocked as everyone to hear of his passing. Brian I met playing baseball one summer, I believe in 1973. Him and a few other of his buddies, John Boggs, Todd Longstaff and eventually many more as the years have passed from the potwin area. Many summers from that point on we played a game that we all had a passion for. Many good times and memories. Thanks for being part of the best times i can remember. You were younger but I looked up to you, you were someone anyone would be proud to call his friend.*
Rest

peacefully my friend. Steve Bayless

Steve Bayless - December 18, 2018 at 08:36 PM