



## Captain Lucas Osborn

May 25, 1980 - June 27, 2021

Captain Lucas Brandon Osborn, 41, Hoyt KS, passed away Sunday, June 27, 2021.

Lucas was born May 25, 1980, in Peoria IL, to Randy Osborn and Amy Metzger Osborn Bender. He graduated from Washburn Rural High School in 1998. A gifted musician and serving as drum major for the university band, Lucas graduated from Washburn University in 2004 earning a Bachelor of Education in Music degree.

He and Audra Gordon were married in 2003; two children, Chloe and Jackson, were born to this union. Lucas and Vanessa Van Geem were united in marriage in 2013, the parents of Lillian.

In 2002, Lucas joined the US Army. He served in the 35th ID Army Band until 2007 and was a recruiter for the Kansas Army National Guard (KSARNG) from 2007 to 2011.

In 2012, Lucas was commissioned in the US Army as an Engineer Officer and was part of the 891st Engineer Battalion for most of his career as an officer. He was deployed with the 35th ID from 2017 to 2018 to Kuwait and Jordan during Operation Spartan Shield (OSS). He returned to Recruiting and Retention in 2019 as the Financial Officer for the KSARNG. Lucas served with

honor and distinction, earning many awards and accolades and was greatly respected by his peers and leaders.

Lucas enjoyed fishing, bow hunting, Norse mythology, smoking/grilling meats, woodworking using his paternal grandfather's tools, "Glenn-gineering" as he called it, and smoking his pipe. Lucas was a great friend and could always make people laugh. He especially loved his family; his children were his delight.

Survivors include his wife, Vanessa Osborn; children, Chloe, Jackson and Lillian; his parents, Randy and Karen Osborn, Topeka and Amy and Alan Bender, Oskaloosa; brothers, Austin Hamm, Topeka and Drew Bender, Lawrence; sisters, Emily Osborn and Katie Chaney (Robert) Oskaloosa and Ashley Hamm, Topeka; nephews, Kye Moseley, Gavin Moseley, Silas Chaney, Oskaloosa, Quincy Hamm, Topeka and Thomas Durr, Modesto CA; and niece, Mayah Moseley, Oskaloosa.

Lucas was preceded in death by his grandparents, Glenn and Ann Osborn and Andy and Roberta Kern.

Family will greet friends from noon until 2 p.m. Thursday, July 8, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Funeral service, with military honors, will follow at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Cremation will then take place. Private inurnment will be in Pleasant View Cemetery, Oskaloosa KS at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Mission 22 (united in the war against veteran suicide) or to the funeral home, going to an account being set up for the benefit of Lucas' children. Donations to both may be sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com) .

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Captain Lucas Osborn



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 08, 2021 at 01:57 PM



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Captain Lucas Osborn



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 07, 2021 at 09:16 AM



“ Captain Lucas Osborn

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

ES

“ Osborn was my recruiter. I owe everything I am today to him pulling strings and working his butt off to get me into the Army Guard. He had to dig up and do a couple different waivers for me due to my small stature. He was so patient and kind and hilarious. This is truly a sad day. You will be missed by many, know that you made a huge difference in a lot of lives. Heaven gained an amazing hero.

Erica Snavely - September 24, 2021 at 10:59 AM

LM

“ Where do I start .. I can't believe you are gone .. I remember alot of band memories we shared and also you were on my hubby's softball team at one point You were such a great kind funny Soul you will be missed..



Latisha (leach) Muse - July 08, 2021 at 12:51 AM

CC

“ I met Lucas through Randy and Karen. I immediately liked Lucas. Late 2019 Lucas and Randy attended a Royals game. Kerri and I noticed them in the left field bar and we all decided to enjoy the game together, at the bar, instead of them going to their really nice seats.  
Lucas offered to provide assistance and advice to both of our sons regarding military options. As a result, Sam joined the ANG last June, 2020, while still in high school. He left for basic training June 22nd of this year. Lucas' support and advice helped Sam make some great decisions and his brother Zack is still considering joining after he graduates college.  
I'll never forget Lucas for his instant friendship and his quality, heart felt guidance, he showed my family.  
My heart breaks for the family. I pray for peace and comfort knowing that Lucas made a difference in many lives.

Chris Cushing - July 07, 2021 at 07:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.*



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July 07, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Although we only spoke a few times, Lucas left a lasting impression on me. We were in the band in high school together. He always seemed so happy-go-lucky. We never really talked in high school, but years after graduation we saw each other at Best Buy and he remembered me and we had a quick conversation. He was so nice and I remember wishing we had been friends back in school.*

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**Mike Estudillo** - July 06, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Lucas' family. I met him at Washburn University in the Marching Band in 2000. When I walked in the door for the Saxophone section, he was wearing a Viking Helmet. The best example of his personality, always laughing but dedicated to the art. I enjoyed playing with him and will always remember his personal mission was to play his Saxophone louder than any other instrument in the band.*

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**Daniel Olson** - July 06, 2021 at 12:57 PM

AJ

“ Alta J. purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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Alta J. - July 06, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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July 06, 2021 at 08:39 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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July 05, 2021 at 04:23 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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July 05, 2021 at 12:52 PM

LW

“ Randy, Karen, Austin, Ashley and the entire family, I am so sorry for your loss, my thought and prayers are with you all.

*Lori Wishert*

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**Lori Wishert** - July 05, 2021 at 08:19 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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July 04, 2021 at 12:48 PM

PN

“ *Dear Family of Luke,  
My heart is breaking for you all. I worked with Amy ‘O’ way back when at Bennigan’s and I had the pleasure of babysitting the 3 tow-headed kiddos, L, E & K. ❤️❤️❤️ I remember I had never used a gas stove before and was always freaked out to make them dinner. ;)* They were all sweet, high spirited kids and will always hold a special place in this old babysitter’s heart—tho little K always preferred Cathie S to me. :) Luke just wanted to be on the move!!  
*Luckily I was just 19 so I could keep up.  
Thinking of and praying for you all. May God’s love bring you peace and comfort in the days ahead.*

*Sincerely,*

*Paige Noss (formerly Myers then Correll)*

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**Paige Noss** - July 04, 2021 at 12:32 PM

RC

“ Romero Brown - KS Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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**Romero Brown - KS Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs** - July 03, 2021 at 10:36 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.



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July 02, 2021 at 07:28 PM

DB

“ I will always think of you as Lukie, and I will miss you. 💔

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**Dani Blackwood** - July 02, 2021 at 06:18 PM

JO

“ I met Lucas working at DCF. I really did not know him yet heard a lot about him and what a great guy he was. I am so sorry for you loss. May God Hold all of you In His Hands.

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**JoAnn** - July 02, 2021 at 04:50 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.*



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July 02, 2021 at 02:47 PM



“ *One of my first and best memories of Lucas was one of our first team meetings together. We decided together it would be fun to wear whatever random hat or mask we had available in effort to be as disruptive as possible to everyone else on the virtual meeting. That began a string of shenanigans we kept going for several more months. To say I will miss him is an understatement but I am glad I got to know him for as long as I did. May he feast and battle with the Allfather in Valhalla.*

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**James Heckard** - July 02, 2021 at 12:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Captain Lucas Osborn.*



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July 02, 2021 at 01:36 AM

CS

“ Not only was Captain Osborn one of my Soldiers and brother in arms, but more importantly a colleague, and most importantly a friend. For all those who's life he touched, I think it would be safe to say from everyone, thanks for all the great laughs and memories. Until Valhalla brother



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**Captain AJ Steuterman** - July 01, 2021 at 10:38 PM

KM

To Allen and Amy, Emily and Katie whom I know and all the Osborn family with deepest sympathy I'm so terribly sorry for your loss. I pray for peace in your hearts. Your friend, Kimberly Markham

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**Kimberly Markham** - July 02, 2021 at 12:07 AM

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**Captain AJ Steuterman** - July 01, 2021 at 10:33 PM

CA

“ Lucas and I spread shenanigans all over Ft. Bliss on our train up to go overseas. He was a fellow officer that I could trust and confide in. We worked together in the COIC, and the world has lost a great officer and father.

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**CPT James Allee** - July 01, 2021 at 06:02 PM

LH

“ Lucas's sense of humor melded perfectly with mine making our daily walking breaks a highlight of every workday. He will be dearly missed, and his family always in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Luke H.** - July 01, 2021 at 04:20 PM

JP

“ I am so sorry to hear Lucas has been parted from his family and friends. We were never close while attending WU, but crossed paths frequently. Lucas was fun and kind. I know he will be acutely missed by many. May he be at peace and his loved ones comforted in some small measure by knowing he is remembered fondly.

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**Jessie Polk** - July 01, 2021 at 02:48 PM

KF

“ Lucas and I commuted to guard drill together on a monthly basis for a few years. I will always remember the many laughs we shared on those car rides together. He always had a sense of humor that I related to very well. I'm saddened to have lost touch with him over the years. But I will always remember the good times we had in High School, at Washburn, and at Guard.

He is a permanent part of my memories.

The memory I have, that still makes me laugh, we were driving from a guard gig and passed an abandoned factory that was rusted over and was well past its years of being functional. And one of us asked "I wonder what they produced at that factory?" and then together, in unison, we both answered: "Rust!!"

Lucas then struggled to keep the car on the road as we fought back tears from laughter for the next several minutes. It was that simpatico sense of humor that made him so much fun to be around.

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**Kevin Feeken** - July 01, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DS

“ My favorite memory of Lucas was the day I met him. I still think he told the story the best, but I will try to measure up. It was freshman year of high school and I was leaving one of our band parties. I parked on the street that had a ditch on each side of it. There was only one way in and out, so when it was time to leave, I had to turn my car around. When trying to complete a four point turn, I backed up a little bit too far, and backed down into the ditch. Front of the car sticking straight up. Lucas witnessed the whole thing and came running over to see if I was ok, only to see some crazy kid laughing hysterically. After he realized I was ok, we attached my car to Kent Crane’s truck and pulled me out. We’ve been best friends ever since and we both would laugh every time we thought about the time we first met.

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**Daric Schroeder** - June 30, 2021 at 08:34 PM

ME

“ Lucas, oh how I will miss you. Your stories, game nights, dinners, and all the running we used to do. My heart is shattered. Love you so much. And I will always think of you when I hear House of the Rising Sun .... just like I texted you a couple weeks ago. Life will never be the same, and never quite as good for SO many of us. <3

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**Melissa Evans** - June 30, 2021 at 08:26 PM