



## Matthew Goertz

November 1, 1986 - August 7, 2024

Matthew Mark Goertz, Topeka, Kansas, passed away unexpectedly on August 7, 2024, at the age of 37.

Matthew was born on November 1, 1986, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Matthew and his family moved to Topeka, Kansas when Matthew was two years old. He attended Shawnee Heights Schools from Kindergarten through graduation in 2005. After graduation, he attended Vocational School.

Matthew was an exceptional musician and artist. He played bass guitar, stand-up bass for various bands, and loved to perform at "open mic night". He also excelled at piano and numerous other musical instruments.

Matthew was a free spirit who loved outdoors and animals. He enjoyed helping neighbors and friends with their yardwork and other tasks. As an adult, he worked various jobs from auto parts sales, construction, landscaping, and golf course maintenance.

Grateful to having shared his life, his loving parents, Bradley Mark and Laurie Goertz of Topeka; sister, Jennifer Goertz (Chuck Neria) of Lawrence; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Matthew is preceded in death by his grandparents, Albert and Florence

Goertz, Jack Larson, James and Betty Schroeder.

Memorial Service will be 1 p.m. Friday, August 16, 2024, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Visitation will follow until 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home to help with Matthew's funeral expenses.

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 16. 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

AUG 16. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Topeka, KS 66614  
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# Tribute Wall



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



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**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home** - August 14, 2024 at 03:58 PM

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*Matt was my best friend and we hung out just about every day for half of my life. Now I'm going to think about his laugh everyday for the rest of my life.*

*There is a road, no simple highway  
Between the dawn and the dark of night, and if you go no one may follow, that path is for your steps alone.*

*Alex Resnick*

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**Alex Resnick** - August 16, 2024 at 02:30 PM

RB

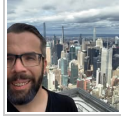
*I'm really sad to find out about this. I worked with Matt at O'Reilly's 10 or 12 years ago and we often picked bluegrass and country tunes together. He was a helluva musician.*

*Sorry for your loss.*

*Condolences,  
Russ*

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**Russ Baker** - August 16, 2024 at 02:33 PM



*Matt's passing hits hard. Thanks for always coming to my birthday parties as kids. I always saw you as the cool Matt when we had class together. We may have fallen out of touch as we grew up but I will always remember your fun nature and sense of humor. Rest easy brother*

**Matthew Holderbach** - August 16, 2024 at 07:39 PM



*“ Mark, Laurie and family I just saw this today. My heart goes out to you. There's such heartache when you lose a child. Please know he's with Jesus. Keep God in your lives daily he'll cradle you and your family thru this extremely hard time.  
I honestly don't know what David and I would have done without Jesus. You'll be in our prayers. May God Bless and keep you always  
We are always reachable.  
David and Myra Bryant*

**Myra Bryant** - August 18, 2024 at 03:15 PM



*“ Matt's passing hits hard. Thanks for always coming to my birthday parties as kids. I always saw you as the cool Matt when we had class together. We may have fallen out of touch as we grew up but I will always remember your fun nature and sense of humor. Rest easy brother*

**Matthew Holderbach** - August 16, 2024 at 07:48 PM



*“ Love, Larry and Debbie Goertz purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Matthew Goertz.*



**Love, Larry and Debbie Goertz** - August 15, 2024 at 08:39 PM

CE

“ I didnt know Matt but i knew his Dad, Mark. . Mark was a jokester, friendly .. funny so I can see how that carried on to his son. . R I P Matt. .

Creig Eitreim - August 15, 2024 at 05:03 PM

KL

“ My heart hurts for you. I only knew of Matt through the SHES years but it sounds like he was a talented, kind and loving young man you could be proud of. I pray for your peace and that you feel Gods love in the days to come.

Karen Lollman - August 14, 2024 at 06:17 PM

PB

“ Patty Blose purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Matthew Goertz.



Patty Blose - August 14, 2024 at 06:01 PM

FF

“ FMOK Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Matthew Goertz.



FMOK Family - August 14, 2024 at 11:15 AM

FF

“ FMOK Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Goertz.

FMOK Family - August 14, 2024 at 11:15 AM

DD

“ Matt was the good neighbor who helped me through the difficult times after Jerry passed away unexpectedly. He mowed and edged my yard to perfection, moved my plants and flowerpots, and helped with my yard sales. My sympathy at this sad time. I pray that memories of your kind son and your faith that he is rejoicing with Jesus and Jerry in Heaven will give you comfort and peace.

Dorothy Dolsky - August 13, 2024 at 05:03 PM

JR

“ Matt will always be regarded as a good friend to each member of our family and very sadly missed. We are so grateful to have had his friendship since his Kindergarten years and will cherish those memories from school, sports, and his fellowship through the years. Sending comforting thoughts and prayers. May his memory be a blessing. The Resnick Family

Joyce A Resnick - August 13, 2024 at 02:46 PM

LM

“ Matt was such a kind hearted person. We will miss him.

LeAnn McGranahan - August 13, 2024 at 11:57 AM

 Tom Wolfe

“ I knew Matt to be a sincere gentleman. May his music play in your hearts forever. (T. Wolfe)

Tom Wolfe - August 13, 2024 at 10:19 AM

VC

“ Goertz Family,  
My heartfelt condolences to all of you as you learn to live this new life without Matthew. Though his physical presence will be missing, he'll always be a part of your lives. You'll hear his laugh, remember his funny comments, let that make you smile, not sad. I remember a sweet boy who always had a smile. What I didn't know was what a great friend he was to Jeffrey, when he needed him most. I wish I could give him a hug and thank him. But you already knew about those qualities. May all the good times and happy memories give you peace and comfort as you navigate these difficult days. I'm with you in prayer daily.  
Vicki Coulter  
(Jared, Jason & Jeffrey Dailey's Mom)

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**Vicki Coulter** - August 12, 2024 at 07:27 PM

TG

“ Matthew was a wonderful person i didn't know Matthew im sending my symphaty to the goertz family may Matthew rest in peace 🙏  
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**Terry glenn** - August 12, 2024 at 04:55 PM