



Blake Edward Keith Hartung

December 18, 1993 - March 20, 2022

IN MEMORY OF:

Blake Edward Keith Hartung

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive (Old Route 13), Murphysboro, Illinois

Blake Edward Keith Hartung, 28, passed away March 20 at his home. He is survived by his parents, John & Stacy Hartung of Carbondale, and Bart & Tracy Hagston of Murphysboro; his siblings Morgan Weber (Kraig) of Murphysboro and Madison Reynolds of Carbondale; his grandparents Betty Travelstead, Cindy Hagston, George Kupczak, Nellie Travelstead, and Gabby & Mitzi McBride; and his precious dog, Bella. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, cousins and so many good friends.

Blake was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Hans Dieter Hartung and Betty Lou Hartung Kupczak, his maternal grandfathers Keith E. Travelstead and Dale W. Pierson, and his niece Caroline Elyse Weber.

Blake was a 2012 graduate of Murphysboro High School and was a member of the Golf team and drum major for Crimson Express marching band. He was a proud Corrections Officer for the Illinois Department of Corrections at the Murphysboro Life Skills Re-Entry Center. He was a member of Murphysboro

United Methodist Church and as a young man was active in many mission trips and youth activities.

It is ironic that Blake's heart condition took him from us so young, because he was all heart and that's what made him special. He was never the most articulate at stating his feelings, but if you were close to him you knew. His friends know that he was always there to laugh or listen, that he was fiercely loyal, and that he would do anything for them. His family knew that he was full of love, even when he wasn't comfortable talking about it.

Many thanks to those who stood by Blake and showed their love and support during the past few years while he battled health issues. He valued these relationships and you are all welcome to continue to show Blake your love by coming as you are to his visitation.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Thursday, March 24, 2022 and from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on Friday, March 25, 2022 all at Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home. A brief service will be held at 12:00 noon on Friday, March 25, 2022 at the funeral home. Cremation will be accorded following the service.

Memorials may be made to the family at the funeral home. They will select an appropriate organization to receive this generosity at a later time.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24.** 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13
31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-2500
crain@crainsonline.com

Visitation

MAR **25.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

MAR **25.** 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Blake Edward Keith Hartung*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I haven't seen or spoken with Blake in many years, but we were friends at Murphysboro Middle School before I moved away to Kansas. Blake was always such a fun, cheerful, and kind person. I found these photos I took of him and wanted to make sure someone had them. I'm so sorry for your loss and will be praying for Blake's family. Rest In Peace to a special guy who always made others feel happy!*



Morgan Isern (Gauby) - March 25, 2022 at 07:01 PM



Thank you for sharing the photos and your kind words

John & Stacy Hartung - March 29, 2022 at 07:26 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 24, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



March 24, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ I had the pleasure to work with Blake on a few occasions (Menard c.c.) and he was always helpful and took pride in what he did. Even though I hadn't known him for very long, I'll always remember how kind and generous of a person he truly was.

G. Berry - March 24, 2022 at 08:14 AM



Thank you for your kind words. ❤️

John & Stacy Hartung - March 29, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



March 23, 2022 at 12:06 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 22, 2022 at 11:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 22, 2022 at 08:14 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 22, 2022 at 02:51 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 22, 2022 at 02:31 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



March 22, 2022 at 10:50 AM



“ Aunt Paula and Bob Morgan purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



Aunt Paula and Bob Morgan - March 22, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



March 22, 2022 at 08:28 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.



March 22, 2022 at 06:45 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 22, 2022 at 01:24 AM



“ [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.

March 21, 2022 at 10:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 21, 2022 at 09:51 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 21, 2022 at 09:48 PM



“ *Jackson County Board of Health purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



Jackson County Board of Health - March 21, 2022 at 08:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 21, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.*



March 21, 2022 at 08:39 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Blake Edward Keith Hartung.* ”



March 21, 2022 at 08:32 PM