



Bradley R. Kraywinkel

February 28, 1964 - December 24, 2025

To view the livestream of Brad's service, please visit <https://www.youtube.com/@blvdchurch8101/streams>

Bradley Robert Kraywinkel, well-known as Brad to his friends and family, passed away peacefully on Christmas Eve December 24th, 2025 at home, after a long courageous battle with cancer. He was born on February 28, 1964 in Winnebago Village, MN to Robert and Charlotte Kraywinkel. After graduating from Minnesota Lake High School, Brad studied and earned a Bachelor of Art degree from Gustavus Adolphus College, MN. He spent some time in the UK and later worked as an Editor at a Minnesota Newspaper. Last 25 years of his career, he was a long-term Federal employee at SSA in both Minnesota and Michigan offices.

He enjoyed hunting and target shooting; he found solace through hiking, walking, long drives in the countryside, and attending antique shows and Ducks Unlimited banquets.

Brad is survived by his devoted wife, Anh Lan; his parents, Bob and Char; his brother, Mark Kraywinkel; several aunts and uncles, cousins and countless nieces and nephews in Minnesota and Michigan. Although he lived in Michigan for over 20 years, Brad remained a loyal Vikings fan. The Vikings and the Lions football games had always sparked intense and fun rivalry

between Brad and his Michigan friends.

Bradley's life was a testament to the power of faith. He was a recovered addict for 39 years and served as a mentor to others who coped with addiction. Brad was an active member of The BLVD Church, and was also actively involved in the Men's Bible Study group at Embody Church in Holland, MI. His devotion to God was carried out through his life of service and building relationships, connecting people: anonymously paying meals for elderly or disabled people at restaurants; handing out gas cards to long-distance commuters, helping neighbors with yard work. He never missed an opportunity to explain, share, or pass along his love of faith and God, his struggles through addiction and the final battle with cancer. Throughout his journey, he strongly believed in God to the last message, "My Faith remains strong. I have experienced miracles in my life and I have witnessed miracles."

His "social butterfly" personality shone bright in his community. He touched many lives with kindness, built a life full of meaningful friendships and memories that will endure with people from all sorts of life. Those who knew Brad will forever cherish his weekly messages of gratitude, encouragement, his love of God, and his contagious laughter.

A Visitation will be held at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E 16th Street - Holland, MI 49423) on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 from 4:00 to 7:00pm.

A memorial service will be held at The Boulevard Church (238 W 15th Street – Holland, MI 49423) on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 1:00pm.

Memorial contributions may be given to Celebrate Recovery, through Central Wesleyan Church. <https://pushpay.com/g/wecentralholland>. Please specify Celebrate Recovery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home
315 E 16th St
Holland, MI 49423-4213

Funeral Service

JAN 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

BLVD Church
238 W. 15th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Bradley Kraywinkel Memorial Service Video in memory of Bradley R. Kraywinkel*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - January 23 at 09:52 AM



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Bradley R. Kraywinkel*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - January 19 at 12:42 PM

LA

Beautiful video Mark, gentle hugs ❤️

Leanne Altenhofen - January 20 at 10:42 PM

FF

“ From Christina Peña and Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.



From Christina Peña and Family - January 20 at 11:52 AM

CP

“ Christina P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.

Christina P. - January 20 at 11:36 AM

TM

“ Tam, M. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.

Tam, M. - January 19 at 05:57 PM

CC

“ Chick-Owa Sportsman Club planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.

Chick-Owa Sportsman Club - January 19 at 11:55 AM

CC

“ Chick-Owa Sportsman Club purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.



Chick-Owa Sportsman Club - January 19 at 11:55 AM

JK

“ Joji & Kristen purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.



Joji & Kristen - January 19 at 11:00 AM

JK

“ Joji & Kristen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.

Joji & Kristen - January 19 at 11:00 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.



January 17 at 10:41 PM

TF

“ *The Straub Famiky planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*

The Straub Famiky - January 17 at 10:41 PM



“ *24 files added to the tribute wall*



Mark Kraywinkel - January 17 at 04:05 PM

MC

“ *Members of Tulip City Rod and Gun Club purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*



Members of Tulip City Rod and Gun Club - January 16 at 08:35 PM

HF

“ *Houston Texas Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*



Houston Texas Family - January 16 at 04:21 PM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*



January 14 at 06:11 PM

AF

“ *Aunt Anh Nguyen family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*



Aunt Anh Nguyen family - January 12 at 02:05 PM

AL

“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Anh Lan - January 03 at 07:20 AM

AL

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Anh Lan - January 01 at 05:18 PM

AL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Anh Lan - January 01 at 05:08 PM

AL

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Anh Lan - January 01 at 05:03 PM

SB

“ *Shomari & Brittany purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*



Shomari & Brittany - December 30, 2025 at 05:08 PM

SB

“ *Shomari & Brittany planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bradley R. Kraywinkel.*

Shomari & Brittany - December 30, 2025 at 05:08 PM

MK

“ I miss him every day, here are some photos I had on my phone to share



mark kraywinkel - December 29, 2025 at 06:50 PM

SW

“ May you finally rest in peace dear nephew.

Still Counting My Blessings Brad.

Paul and Sharon



Sharon Wetzel - December 29, 2025 at 04:38 PM

JB

“ Brad faced the same pancreatic cancer that my late wife Jeannette faced...both with extraordinary grace and deep faith.

Brad was a "prayer mobilizer" going forward in worship at the BLVD Church for prayer at almost every service he attended.

I am thankful to have had the privilege of being just one of hundreds praying for both him and Anh Lan.

Prayers will continue daily for you Anh Lan. For Brad, I will join him in "counting his blessings" especially now that he, along with my dear wife Jeannette, enjoy a "glorious inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and kept in heaven for them." (1 Peter 1:4)

Jonathan Brownson - December 29, 2025 at 03:12 PM

TR

Rest in peace Brad!
We are so thankful to have you as our dear friend.
Prayers will continue for dearest Lan Anh.
Love,
Tristan, Becky and kids 🙏

tristan - December 31, 2025 at 08:15 PM

AS

“ Had the privilege of having Brad as a neighbor for 5+ years. Countless times he would mow our yard when we were out of town, deliver cookies or brownies and just stop by on his walks to say hi to my family. His courage and faith was amazing as he fought cancer

adam swartz - December 29, 2025 at 01:20 PM



“ We lost a good friend, good listener and also a brother. Hope he’s in heaven and look down to us all!!
Still Counting Our Blessing...

Wendy Nguyen - December 29, 2025 at 12:38 PM

DL

“ Brad’s passing is a great loss to our family. He was a wonderful person who always brought positive energy and genuinely cared for others.

We will always cherish the memories of spending time together. My parents often hoped to have the chance to drink coffee with him again in downtown Holland.

I will always remember the time Brad took me shooting, and I still keep the targets with his handwritten notes congratulating me when I hit the bullseye. I also remember the very cold day he drove me to Lake Michigan—I was shivering, and he teased me for wearing a dress. He said he didn’t warn me on purpose because he wanted me to truly experience how cold Michigan can be. That memory has stayed with me ever since.

May you rest in peace, Brad. You lived a life well lived and were deeply loved by many. I hope chi Lan Anh finds strength and comfort to get through this profound loss.

Duc L. - December 29, 2025 at 11:42 AM

QB

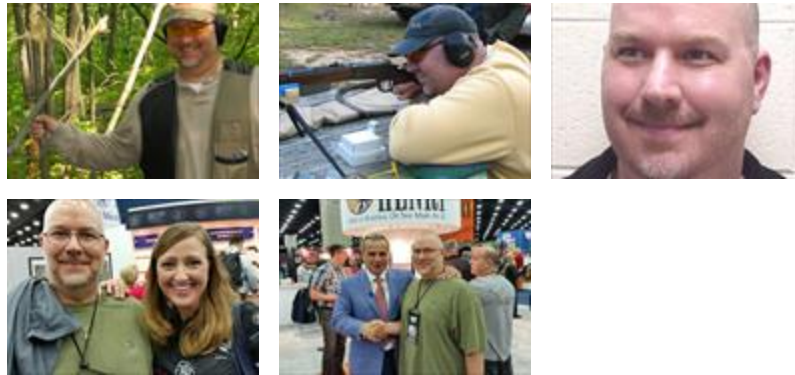
“ *Quyên Beckman lit a candle in memory of Bradley R. Kraywinkel*



Quyên Beckman - December 29, 2025 at 11:24 AM

AL

“ *6 files added to the album Event*



Anh Lan - December 29, 2025 at 10:34 AM

CD

wish I could hold you, Anh Lan.....I'm crying, but it's tears of joy for he's in the light I let the prayer warriors know thank you for letting me know love you so

Chris Davis - December 29, 2025 at 11:08 AM

BS

Ohhhhh some tears here Bless you and all your family. I was sorry as I was about to get another card out do Dear Brad Love and prayers Bunny

bunny swank - December 29, 2025 at 11:20 AM

DL

Rest in peace my good friend. Dan lepo

dan lepo - December 29, 2025 at 03:04 PM