



## Broderick Keenan Fisher

December 30, 1999 - January 25, 2021

Broderick “Brody” Keenan Fisher passed away unexpectedly on January 25, 2021 at age twenty-one.

Brody was born on December 30, 1999 and from the moment he came into this world, he was a sweet, generous, fun-loving boy. He was the third child of six born to Matt and Erin (Maurer) Fisher. From a young age, his brilliant mind was a wonder to behold. Reading chapter books by age 3 and soaking in knowledge like a sponge, Brody’s talents in engineering and science quickly took root. He was fascinated with pyramids, chemistry experiments and space but most of all airplanes and aerodynamics. He also loved animals and volunteered at the Prince William County Animal Shelter from 2015-2016. His intelligence, matched by his gregarious personality and empathy for others, only grew bigger as he got older.

After homeschooling and graduating high school in 2017, he began attending Virginia Tech majoring in Aerospace Engineering. For the first time, he finally had an academically challenging curriculum and thoroughly enjoyed college life. He made many good friends and realized his life-long dream of having his own room when he moved into an apartment with his close friends. Brody took advantage of travel opportunities through Virginia Tech’s Study Abroad programs in China and Germany as well as family trips to Cuba, Mexico and Europe.

Brody was set to graduate this May and planned to start an accelerated Masters program in Aerospace Engineering at Tech in the fall where he was a finalist for a Teaching Assistant position. He was invited to a second internship at General Electric this coming summer.

Brody loved making people laugh and he leapt at any opportunity to go out of his way and make others smile. He always enjoyed a good stunt, a clever pun, and bringing laughter into every situation. His light-hearted humor could relieve tension in any situation, and his hidden talent at karaoke was quite legendary among his friends and colleagues.

Most importantly, Brody was an irreplaceable part of his large family. He was the sweet brother who would do anything for his younger sisters and joined his older brother and sister on one back-packing trip and quickly decided he preferred indoor activities. He made the BEST mac n' cheese, and he would happily make it upon request any time, day or night. He was the grandson who visited his grandparents regularly, helped with projects and talked for hours. And, he was the most loving, affectionate son any parent could ask for. Our hearts are profoundly broken at this loss. His wit, sarcasm and his position as the regular family game night winner will be terribly missed.

Brody is survived by his parents, Matthew Fisher and Erin (Maurer) Fisher both of Manassas, VA; his sister Brenna Fisher and brother Dennis Fisher both of Laramie, WY; sisters Mallory, Grace and Olivia, also of Manassas. He leaves his maternal grandparents, James and Janet Maurer of Chicago, IL; and his paternal grandparents, Dennis and Mary Fisher of Lewes, DE. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family appreciates that donations be made to Prince William Animal Advocates, an organization that provides medical care and

support to shelter animals: <https://pwanimaladvocates.org/>

A service will be held at Grace Life Community Church in Bristow, VA on Monday, February 1, 2021. The viewing is at 2:00 PM followed by a service at 3:00 PM. The services will be streamed from Erin's Facebook account (<https://www.facebook.com/erin.m.fisher.3/>)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB 1. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grace Life Community Church  
9560 Linton Hall Rd.  
Bristow, VA 20136  
<http://www.gracelifecc.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Missing you a little extra much today, Brody* ❤️



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**Grace Fisher** - March 27, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ *I didn't know Brody for very long, but we sat together in our intro to C++ class, back in Fall 2017 I think. He helped me when my code wouldn't work, and made the class more fun with his jokes and smiles. There was a time when I had to go to a doctors office in Radford, to get a drug test for my internship, and I didn't have a car. Brody offered to drive me there and back. I refused, and took an Uber instead, because I felt bad if I would have wasted his Saturday, but he would have done that for me, just a friend he had only knew for a few months. My heart goes out to his family... he was too young. Brody was such a bright student, talented engineer, and kind person. I'm so sorry :(* ❤️



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**Megan Schneider** - February 03, 2021 at 11:44 AM

“ *Our thoughts are with you and we send our deepest condolences to you at this very difficult time.*

*The Virginia Tech CSRA Alumni Chapter in Augusta, GA*

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**CSRA Alumni Chapter** - February 03, 2021 at 11:16 AM

PA

“ My first memory of Brody was as a bright young student in my Intro to Aero class. I will never forget how much he enjoyed the boost glider project and his competitive spirit as the teams tried to prove their design was best. I was also very lucky to have seen him while he was at HAW. I know that was one of the most wonderful times of his life... experiencing a different kind of learning and enjoying life all over Europe. Brody was one of those students who makes teaching fun, whether it was his constant smile or his questions that made me look at topics from an entirely different point of view. He added to my life and to every one of his classmates.

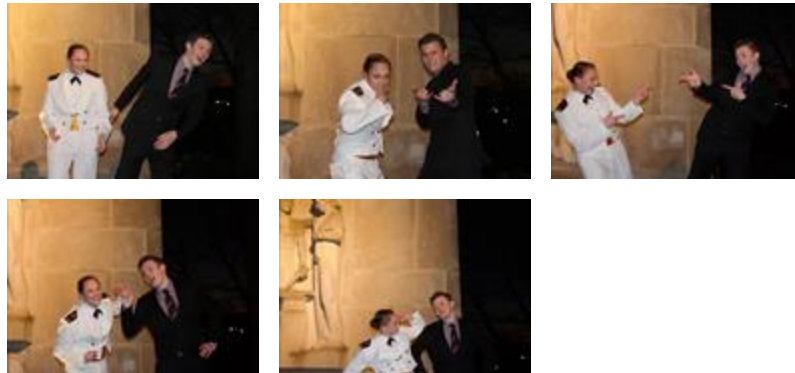
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**Pat Artis** - February 03, 2021 at 10:58 AM

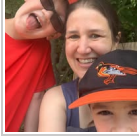
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“ Brody wasn't in my life for very long. We met in the fall of 2019 in Astromechanics and quickly became good friends. We formed a small group that studied together and began hanging out outside of Newman Library. While admittedly, there wasn't much time for that in aerospace engineering, Brody would always make time to spend time with his friends. The biggest occasions we attended together was an orchestra concert (we decided to go see and get super dressed up for), as well as the military ball. While those were incredible, some of my favorite memories of Brody are of us in the library working together or just hanging out at someone's apartment. Despite all of my frustrations for engineering and countless rants he never let me doubt my skills in engineering and would shut me up if I ever said anything bad about myself. Brody mastered simple moments of kindness and had a way of telling you you were loved that always made you feel better. When we were all sour about having too much homework, he always knew how to put a smile on our faces. He always made us feel so loved.

*I am so incredibly thankful to have had him in my life.  
I love you Brody. Rest easy.*



Nicole M Becker - February 02, 2021 at 06:03 PM



“ I feel so lucky to have known Brody! From our very first meeting, I was impressed with Brody’s kindness, passion for learning and adventurous spirit. Not only was he a gifted aerospace engineering student, Brody was also driven to explore the world and support others. He brought such positive energy to the advising office and AOE community. The world has lost a truly remarkable person. My heart goes out to Brody’s family during this time. In a short period of time, Brody touched so many lives and made them better.

Emily Metzgar - February 02, 2021 at 09:14 AM



“ I am extremely lucky to have met Brody during my freshman year at Virginia Tech. We were in the same dorm. One day, my friends received his aid in opening the dorm mailboxes. Later that week, he was caught drawing happy faces on our dorm doors. Just like that- we became friends! We did almost everything together during freshman year. From movie nights to dinner to football games, homework to late night ice cream runs to our Wednesday RSAP (study abroad) classes- you name it, Brody was always there with a smile on his face. I will treasure the memories I have with him forever- he truly made my experience at Virginia Tech.

*Brody had an infectious personality with a zeal for friends, aerospace engineering, and life as a whole. My heart is absolutely broken. Sending my most sincere condolences to Brody's family during this time. He will be missed greatly.*

*Until we meet again, Brody, rest easy amongst the stars.*



Mikayla Berman - February 01, 2021 at 09:40 PM



“ *First of all: My condolences to Brodys family and those close to him. Thank you for this platform to share memories and also the steaming of the service. I have been deeply moved by the memories and prayers shared.*

*I am so happy to have become friends with Brody when he was studying here in Germany spring 2019 .*

*On one friday evening he prepared his mac'n'cheese with the best suitable ingredients Hamburgs supermarkets have to offer for one of out international dinners at the dorm. Looking back that have not only been the first but also best mac'n'cheese I ate until this date - and believe me, I have tried plenty when studying at VT for fall semester... I guess no restaurant can compete with a selfprepared dinner amongst friends.*

*I always loved about Brody how passionate and excited he could be about things he wanted to do or see. It was not seldom to watch his broad smile appeared when you told him about a new place to visit or activity to do in town.*

*Thank you for enriching my life by beeing such a wonderful friend Brody. Your memory inspires me to go out and offer help to people who do not dare to ask for it.*

*Your friends in Hamburg deeply miss you.*

*Ruhe in Frieden.*

*Tino*

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**Valentin Krebs** - February 01, 2021 at 07:19 PM

CO

“ Brody was my first friend in aerospace, and was the truest friend in every sense of the word. We spent countless hours together in the library, studying for exams and making each other laugh. He was there for me in every way, whether it be to help me understand something in class, to listen to me, to tell me a joke, or to give me a hug. There is not enough room in this little box for me to even try to sum up the absolute joy that Brody was and the light that he brought into my, and everyone else's, life. Brody, you are so missed and so unbelievably loved. To Brody's family, I send all of my love; his memory will be honored every day and my great-grandchildren will hear countless stories about my dear friend Brody.

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**Caitlin Oberlin** - February 01, 2021 at 04:21 PM

KE

“ I am so indescribably sorry for the Fisher family's loss. I never had the gift of meeting Brody in person but have learned what an amazing young man he was by the memories of his family and friends. May they find comfort in those memories and the support of others.

*Karen Gray Edwards*

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**Karen Gray Edwards** - February 01, 2021 at 03:35 PM

LB

“ Brody was sweet, sensitive and brilliant-reflecting a high degree of both intellectual and emotional intelligence. A rare combination of gifts. It was a privilege to be his precalc and physics teacher in high school as well as support his SATs. I am incredibly proud of all he has accomplished and saddened at what he left behind. I am devastated for your parents and siblings and everyone that will miss on everything your brain and heart had to offer. Hugs and prayers. - Mrs Blakeman (Capen)

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**Laurie Blakeman** - February 01, 2021 at 02:04 PM

PR

“ I am so grateful for the privilege of having interacted with Brody several times since the summer of 2018 when he reached out to me with his desire to explore options for doing research on a couple of challenging topics in aerodynamics. And we are talking about a sophomore! From the very first email I knew, he was a class act. Smart. Professional. Inquisitive. Passionate about learning. Ambitious. Driven to excel. Articulate. Courteous. Brody will be missed. He has left a void that cannot be filled. There are no words to provide comfort to his family and friends for dealing with the feelings of profound grief. But we will forever cherish the fond memories of our time together and carry on. May he rest in peace.

Pradeep Raj - February 01, 2021 at 01:04 PM

IW

“ The aeronautical engineering professors and the International Office at Hamburg University of Applied Sciences are deeply saddened to hear of Brody's passing. We knew and cherished him as a talented and inquisitive exchange student in the summer semester of 2019. We know from so many other exchange students that he was a really important member of their group, helping others to find their feet in a strange county and making the most of this intercultural and educational experience. It is always a great loss when such a young and talented person leaves us and we should like to pass on our sincerest condolences to his family. We hope that his fellow students, friends and family will find comfort in happy memories in this difficult time and be carried through prayer. - Prof. Jutta Abulawi, Prof. Dragan Kozulovic, Ingrid Weatherall



Ingrid Weatherall - February 01, 2021 at 11:59 AM

DT

“ My memory of Brody is as a young boy in the Classical Conversations home school program. Fittingly, he wore round wire frame glasses that made him look like a little professor, because he knew everything! When it came time to recite, I was always astounded by the breadth of his knowledge. Although we knew his older brother Denny better, the times Brody tagged along with him to our home, we noticed Brody’s sweet, quirky, funny personality. This world has lost a dear soul, and we grieve with his loving family.

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**Donna Tavani** - February 01, 2021 at 08:32 AM

VT

“ VA. Tech Global Engineering Team purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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**VA. Tech Global Engineering Team** - February 01, 2021 at 08:05 AM



“ To all the people who made Brody the confident, adventurous, intelligent, passionate, caring person he was: thank you.

*Brody, I will always remember you as a friend who took pride in not going with the status quo, a drinking buddy who had a genuine and contagious smile and laugh, an example of how to work hard but put work away and have fun, someone I was excited to share stories with, and a classmate I was lucky to be able to call upon for help. You were mature, personable, and whip smart beyond your years. I don't have enough fingers to count the number of jaws that dropped realizing you were only 19 in Germany. I am truly blessed to have known you.*

*Rest among the angels in peace.*



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**Elise Dirkse** - February 01, 2021 at 12:22 AM



“ Brody, I came to know how great of a friend and person you were after traveling to and through Germany with you. It was a pleasure to study with such an intelligent and authentic person at HAW and Virginia Tech. I'm grateful for the memories we shared, from the flight simulators to the late night döner runs, and everything in between. We will always miss such a kind, witty, and generous soul. All of your friends here and across the world will love and miss you forever.

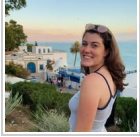
*For the family, all of my thoughts and prayers are with you, I am truly sorry for your loss.*

*Rest In Peace Brody.*



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**Raeven Waters** - January 31, 2021 at 11:40 PM



“ *Caring, thoughtful, protective, welcoming, genuine, funny, smart, wonderful friend.*

*I was beyond lucky to have met and become good friends with Brody during our exchange semester in Hamburg. I will cherish our memories forever; splitting pitchers of good German beer, screaming-singing take me home country roads while walking to the u-bahn, and having family dinners at hagenbeckstrasse.*

*To the Fisher family- I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. I send all my love to your family.*

*Rest In Peace Brody. You will be so missed.*



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**Klara Hoherchak** - January 31, 2021 at 11:14 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.*



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January 31, 2021 at 10:07 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.* ”



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January 31, 2021 at 07:12 PM



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**Catherine Madden** - January 31, 2021 at 06:03 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.* ”



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January 31, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



January 31, 2021 at 12:56 PM



“ Kimberly Lt Col purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



Kimberly Lt Col - January 31, 2021 at 11:39 AM



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Kimberly Lt Col - January 31, 2021 at 09:44 AM

KC

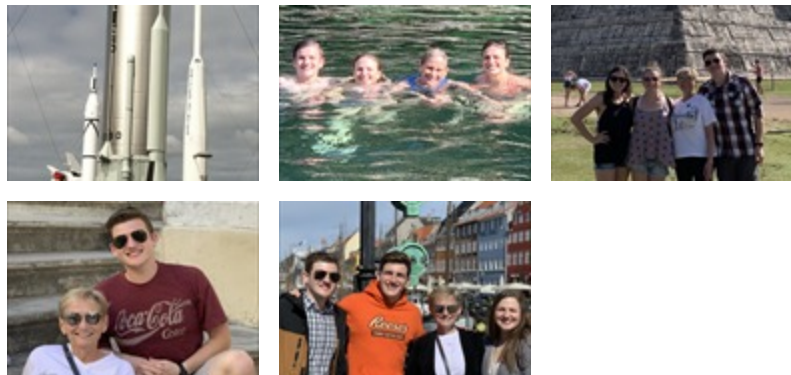
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Kimberly Frady, Lt Col CAP - January 31, 2021 at 09:31 AM

JM

“ To my precious grandson Brody, who loved our quiet listening hikes together when he was young, challenged me in our scientific discussions when he was a little older, and spent many happy weeks of “camp” at my house as a teenager. We traveled to foreign countries, fulfilled a dream of going to NASA, and thrilled together at the total eclipse. Brody came with me to Wyoming when my mom was sick, and the three of us were together when she passed away. He was my comfort and my steadfast help. No grandma was ever so blessed. I will never forget the boy that gave me so much to remember. You are so very loved.



Jan Maurer - January 30, 2021 at 10:53 PM

BP

“ Matt, Erin, Brenna, Denny, Mallory, Olivia, and Grace,

*You and your extended family are in our thoughts and prayers. We are heart broken for you. Brody was very special to us. Sleepovers, birthday parties, overnight camping, playing at each other's houses. This is the Brody we knew best, from the age of 3 to 7. However, when Daniel was ranking dorms at Virginia Tech, Brody sent him a long, detailed, humorous email about the various dorms, which was so kind, thoughtful, and generous.*

*We are so sorry for your loss and are just 4.5 hours, an email or a phone call away. We love all of you and pray God's comfort, peace, and guidance for you.*

*Love, The Porters - Bev, Mike, Meghan, Becca, and Daniel*



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**Bev Porter** - January 30, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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January 30, 2021 at 10:23 AM

JN

“ Brody was such a special young man and we are heartbroken at this loss. Our family always admired him for his intellect, his wit and his ambition. We are so grateful for the time that we had with him and for our camping memories in Gettysburg. We will miss him forever.

*Love, Uncle Rick, Aunt Joanna, Caleb, Cooper & Declan*



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**Joanna Nice** - January 30, 2021 at 08:23 AM

SM

“ My son, Matthew Morris, a fellow Aerospace Engineering classmate at VT shared with me your families tragic loss. I can't even imagine your pain you have had to endure. Brody sounds like an amazing young man. God bless you all.

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**Stephanie Morris** - January 30, 2021 at 07:34 AM

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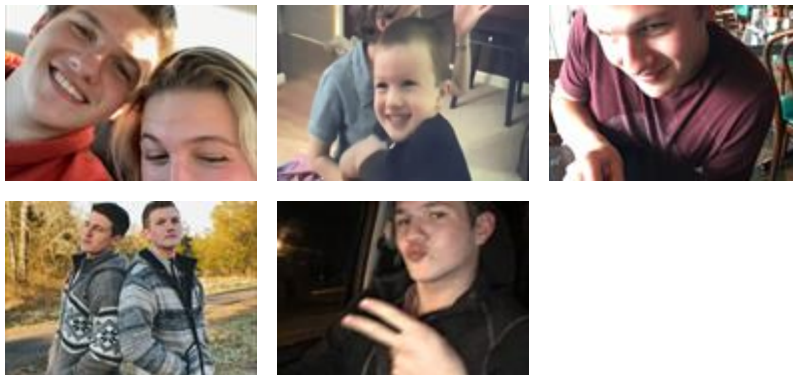
“ This still doesn't feel real. I miss you so much Brody. You were such a giving soul, and it's such a shame your life came to an end so shortly. I love you more than I can say. Rest easy.



Mallory Fisher - January 29, 2021 at 10:47 PM



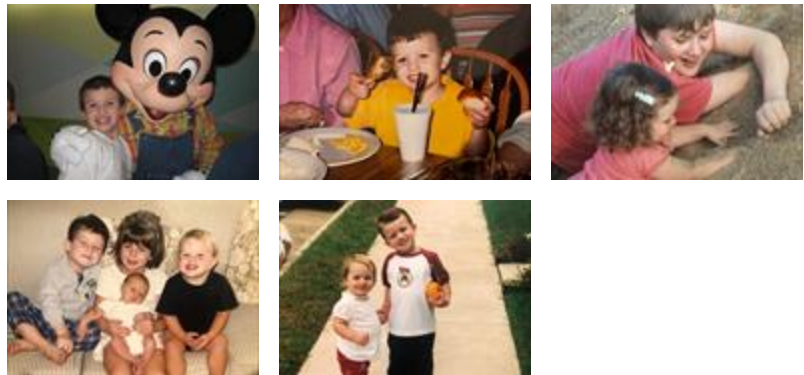
“ To the millions of memories we made- I love you forever and more.



Grace Fisher - January 29, 2021 at 10:44 PM

MB

“ Brody - I love you more than words could possibly express. The little Blues Clues loving, bleach blonde cutie with the huge smile and sweet personality who could give a million compliments is who I will remember most. You possessed a million wonderful qualities that will never be duplicated and it's hard to articulate in words what your loss will mean to our family. I miss you so much and will love you forever.



Meghann Buehner - January 29, 2021 at 10:18 PM



“ Will always miss you Bro Ro ❤️



Brenna Fisher - January 29, 2021 at 10:09 PM

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Robert S. Emmett - January 29, 2021 at 06:08 PM

RE

*Our team in the office of Global Engineering had the honor of working with Brody since he started as an ambassador in the fall of 2019 after he returned from Hamburg. He then worked a few hours remotely by computer each week as a student assistant beginning last spring, editing the ambassadors' bi-weekly news and inspiring other students to seek international experiences. Brody was a light, a natural leader in our group. I am a parent of four children ages 3 to 14 and I can tell you that since I heard the news you have been and continue to be in my thoughts and prayers. Brody is deeply, deeply missed by his fellow Hokies. He had such empathy and kindness for others and such a wonderful combination of good humor and intelligence. Our hearts go out to you.*

Robert S. Emmett - January 29, 2021 at 06:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.*



January 29, 2021 at 06:05 PM

LD

“ My sister Karen Edwards shared with me your family’s tragic loss. Having a son near Brody’s age, I can’t even begin to imagine your pain. Reading about all of the wonderful things about who Brody was makes me wish I would have had the opportunity to meet him. He was obviously a remarkable young man in so many ways, and full of kindness and caring for others. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Lisa Deyo

Lisa Deyo - January 29, 2021 at 05:11 PM

JB

“ I can't imagine what you all must be going through, but you will be in my thoughts and prayers. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Josh Brackett - January 29, 2021 at 04:51 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



January 29, 2021 at 04:14 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



January 29, 2021 at 03:54 PM

DO

“ I had the privilege of working with Brody last semester for our experiments and labs in Aerospace. He was hard working, light-hearted, and kept a positive attitude throughout every meeting we had. I felt angry and upset the night I found out what happened, because I knew the world lost a good man. I hope he may find peace now, and I wish the best to all those he was close too. We miss you Brody.

Denys Ovchynnikov - January 29, 2021 at 02:28 PM

TA

“ The VU Girls - Kirsten, Kristi, Gina, Cheryl, Amy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



The VU Girls - Kirsten, Kristi, Gina, Cheryl, Amy - January 29, 2021 at 01:42 PM

BB

“ God Bless all of you. Your family is so special to us! We will keep you in our prayers for comfort and peace. ❤️

Bonnie Baggan - January 29, 2021 at 01:35 PM

AL

My head and my heart just can't wrap around all this. Brody was one of my most BRILLIANT piano students. He was a joy. Always. The world is not nearly as good without him in it. Rest In Peace young man. Your time with us was just way too short. 💜🙏😭

Annemarie Landry - January 30, 2021 at 09:37 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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**John Thies** - January 29, 2021 at 12:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



January 29, 2021 at 12:40 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



January 29, 2021 at 11:56 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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January 29, 2021 at 10:25 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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January 29, 2021 at 10:05 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Broderick Keenan Fisher.



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January 29, 2021 at 09:52 AM

OF

“ You’ll always be missed, bro.



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**Olivia Fisher** - January 29, 2021 at 12:19 AM

ST

“ Erin, Matt, Brenna, Denny, Mallory, Grace and Olivia,

*The joy that Brody brought to our lives as the kids were growing up will never be forgotten. His smile brought sunshine to those around him on any given day. We will always remember those brighter days. What a special young man! The memories will be forever in our hearts.*

*Sending healing prayers, comforting hugs, and an abundance of love to all of you!*

*George, Stephanie, Alyssa and Justin DeRaymond*



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**Stephanie** - January 28, 2021 at 09:02 PM

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**Matt Fisher** - January 28, 2021 at 07:38 PM

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**Matt Fisher** - January 28, 2021 at 07:37 PM