



Bradley Allen Shackelford

June 23, 1985 - November 18, 2011

Bradley Allen Shackelford, son of Evan Bradley Shackelford and Barbara Ann (Allen) Shackelford-Thomas, was born June 23, 1985 in Rolla, Missouri.

Brad attended Dixon Middle School and was a 2003 graduate of Dixon High School.

Upon graduation, Brad opened his own auto aftermarket business, J.B. Performance. He then went to work for Sellers-Sexton Parts Department, worked for Charlie's Cars as a salesman and Century Link in telemarketing sales. Brad decided to further his education and became a full-time student at Drury University. He had a love for history and was excelling in college. He had a special heart for children.

Brad enjoyed all kinds of music, especially hip hop on his BOSE electronics. He loved being outdoors while floating on the river. He liked basketball, especially the NBA, and going to the gym. He was a car fanatic and enjoyed everything about cars and also selling them. He liked to play his XBOX, traveling to new places and meeting new people.

Brad embraced life. He had a very playful spirit and sense of humor and everyone considered him a gentle giant. He loved his dog Jimmie and referred to him as his buddy. They went everywhere together. Brad never met a

stranger and he would befriend people, young and old and always made time to stop and talk. He always had a friendly smile for everyone and was always helping a friend in need. Most importantly, he loved spending time with his family and friends.

Brad will be greatly missed by all those that knew and loved him. He passed away Friday evening, November 18, 2011, as the result of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident on Hwy 28 near Dixon at the age of 26 years, 4 months and 26 days.

Brad leaves to cherish his memory his parents: Evan Shackelford (Nancy) of Dixon and Barbara Shackelford-Thomas (Jim) of Dixon; grandparents: Shelby and Charlotte Allen of Crocker; aunts and uncles: Butchy and Gene Newkirk of St. Robert, Karen Espinoza and Jamie Clark of Rolla, Kenny Allen (Sherri) of Dixon, Rhonda Allen of Waynesville, Sandy Trumbo of Lebanon, Kevin Johnson of Rolla, Tommy Allen of St. Robert and Eric Paul Shackelford of San Diego, CA; cousins: Raymond Espinoza, Christina Underwood, Jennifer Turner, Johnathon Allen, Kyle Allen, Brittany Allen, Austin Allen, Kris Newkirk, Kyle Newkirk and Madison Trumbo; step siblings: Jennifer Thomas, Jeffrey Thomas, Derek Houser and Julie Bayha; special family friends: John and Betty Thilges of Dixon and many other relatives and friends. Brad will also be greatly missed by a very special buddy, his dog, Jimmie.

Brad was preceded in death by his "Granny" Shirley Stevenson, "Pop" Robert Stevenson, Grandpa Henry P. Shackelford, Jr. and Aunt baby Suzanna Allen.

Memorial services were held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 22, 2011 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Brian Hellard and Richard Baptiste officiating. Brad's aunt, Sandy Trumbo read a beautiful poem written by Brad's mother, Barbara Shackelford-Thomas. Several family members and friends recalled their wonderful memories of

Brad. The songs "See You When I See You", "You Raise ME Up", "From This Moment", "Amazing Grace", "Someday", "Ave Maria", "I Can Only Imagine" and "I'll Be Missing You" were played. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Bradley Allen Shackelford*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - November 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bradley Allen Shackelford*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Wow Barb I am so sorry to find about about Brad. You have my most sincere condolence. I remember Brad as a teenager, he was always so sweet to me.*

Brenshevia##imported-begin##Brenshevia##imported-end##

March 09, 2012 at 11:40 AM



“ *Thanks for that! It's just the anwser I needed.##imported-begin##Dolly##imported-end##*

December 30, 2011 at 08:00 PM



“ Forever and always in my heart and thoughts. Miss you so much Booper. !!!##imported-begin##Pops##imported-end##

December 27, 2011 at 09:14 PM



“ I offer my sincere condolences to the close friends and family. I only knew Brad (whom I playfully called Brad-A-Roo) for a short while, but I truly cherished his friendship. He offered his expansive knowledge of automobiles to help me with my vehicles on a number of occasions and always refused to accept payment. His personality was motivating and magnetic and I was devastated to learn of his passing. Brad-A-Roo, you will be sorely missed, buddy. My love, Brenda (Brenda-Lou)##imported-begin##Brenda D. Bustillos##imported-end##

November 29, 2011 at 09:37 PM



“ I think about YOU everyday! I love and miss you SO incredibly much! rip cuz##imported-begin##Jennifer Espinoza-Turner##imported-end##

November 28, 2011 at 07:05 PM



“ Dear Barbara and Jim, Our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family. I know how much Bradley meant to you. Your eyes would light up when you spoke of him. We are so sorry that we could not be there in person for you but Ronnie is very ill with lung cancer and we had to be in Springfield for tests and doctor's apts. We love you guys and will be praying for you.##imported-begin##Ronnie and Peggy Walters##imported-end##

November 25, 2011 at 08:26 PM



“ Sorry for your loss Evan, if i wouldve known sooner that it was your son i wouldve came to his services...
Gerald Pulliam

November 24, 2011 at 12:41 AM



“ Barb and family, I'm so sorry to hear of your son's passing. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. You are in my prayers. There is nothing that can be said to lessen the pain you are feeling. I can only imagine the loss. May God bless you in your time of suffering.
Mark Premont

November 23, 2011 at 07:25 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers reach out to the family during this time of tragedy and loss. May God hold you, comfort you and keep you close as you continue on in this life. One day, you will all be together again.
Delaney Family

November 23, 2011 at 05:39 PM



“ The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit, Psalm 34:18. Know you are in our thoughts and prayers.
JB/Cheryl King

November 23, 2011 at 11:48 AM



“ Evan, you probably don't remember me, but I went to school with you in Waynesville until the fourth grade and moved tom Stoutland after my dad died and my mom remarried. I am saddened to read about the loss of your son, he was so very young to die and tragically! Am thinking and praying for you and your family during this horiffic time. May the Lord help ease the pain you are feeling. I have never lost a child, I have lost my parents, three siblings, and three years ago lost my husband, the pain will never go away, there will always be an emptiness left in your heart, cherish all your loving memories and be thankful for the time that you did have with your son. God bless you all.

Betty (Lytell) Rupard###imported-begin###Betty (Lytell)
Rupard###imported-end###

November 23, 2011 at 01:15 AM



“ we are so sorry for your loss. Have not seen Brad in years but remember him fondly.. Our Daughter Erin used to "hang out" with him during her summer visits and she asked that I send you her thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Holly and Dan French###imported-end###

November 22, 2011 at 04:36 PM



“ Barb/Evan, I'm sorry very sorry for your loss. I can only hope that you can find peace in the memories of your son.###imported-begin###Terry Collins###imported-end###

November 22, 2011 at 02:57 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers during these difficult times.##imported-begin##Lorna West##imported-end##

November 22, 2011 at 01:16 PM



“ You were an awesome human being, man. Here's hoping you make an equally awesome Angel. See you on the other side, my friend.##imported-begin##Avery K. Tingle##imported-end##

November 22, 2011 at 11:52 AM



“ Barb-Jim,

So-o very sorry for your loss, my heart goes out to you...many prayers sent up for you.

Sincerely,

Leslie##imported-begin##Leslie Edwards##imported-end##

November 22, 2011 at 10:43 AM



“ I pray for God's grace to fall upon you and mend your hearts. My heart is with you. Brad, you and your cars will be missed!##imported-begin##Shauna Campbell McCullough##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 11:19 PM



“ You will forever be remembered.##imported-begin##Marie Marshall##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 11:15 PM



“ My heart goes out to the family Brad was such a sweet kid always had that smile for you. Our prayers go out to the family May God Bless you and comfort you during this sad time.##imported-begin##Stephanie & Billy Fenton##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 09:24 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss of your son. It is a test of your heart soul and mind to get threw this and the many days to come, but please think of the wonderful times you had and just push forward to go on and live life because that is what he would want. this is how i keep going !! i lost both of my children... my prayers and thoughts are with you always##imported-begin##Robin Davis##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 09:05 PM



“ Barb & Evan-
Words can't express how sorry we are for your loss. I know that Bradley was a wonderful, young man and that he will be greatly missed by your entire family. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during this difficult time.

Angie, Steve, Pavin and Payne Jackson##imported-begin##Angie Jackson##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 07:15 PM



“ Barb and family, please accept my heartfelt condolences. There are no words to lessen the pain you are feeling. I will keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##Pam Cannon##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 06:19 PM



“ Words cannot express the sorrow I feel for you. It is very hard for teachers to see their former students pass away at such a young age. I pray God will give you the strength to get through this difficult time.##imported-begin##luann nichols##imported-end##

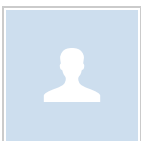
November 21, 2011 at 05:35 PM



“ Barbara and Family,
There are no words that we can say to properly express the depth of our sorrow for your loss. We are so sorry and extend our prayers and deepest sympathy.

Love, Alan & Layla##imported-begin##Alan & Layla
Earl##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 03:31 PM



“ On the behalf of myself and my family, we are so sorry to hear the loss on all three boys. I hear Brad was a nice kid.. We are Praying for you and your family. Take Care. May God be with you.##imported-begin##Jessica Wiles (Hardesty) and David Wiles##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 01:46 PM



“ I want you all yo know my preyers are with you all I don't have any words that I can say but I amso sorry for your loss if any one need's anything please call we love you all so much.##imported-begin##Georgia Davis##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 12:00 PM



“ Barb, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your son. I know that this is a extremely diffucult time for you,and I pray that God gives you the strength to get through this. Just try and focus on all the good times you had with your son.May God bless you and your family, and know that I am thinking about you. Love ya girl... Randy##imported-begin##Randy Howser##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 11:25 AM



“ Sorry for your loss If me and my Family can help in anyway please let us know##imported-begin##michael lastrapes##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 10:49 AM



“ Barb and Jim, I am so sorry to hear this tragic news. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Sheila Debo##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 10:44 AM



“ *i am so sorry. Your in my prayers because your in my heart. God Bless the whole family*

With love

Annette and Charlie###imported-begin###Annette Hance###imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 10:06 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of this tragic accident. Brad was a student in my single author class at Drury University. He was an excellent student and a joy to have in the classroom. I always appreciated his insight and willingness to share in the focus groups. His winning personality and million-dollar smile will be sadly missed.###imported-begin###Lin Paddock###imported-end##*

November 21, 2011 at 09:25 AM



“ *Evan, Nancy, Jim, Barbara, Sandy and family,*

I'm so sorry for your loss. I didn't know your son, but my kids Maxwell and Katie did. Such a tragic accident. I hope you will be comforted in the difficult days to follow. Your church family misses you and I pray your family will be comforted.###imported-begin###Phyllis Jones###imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 09:12 AM



“ Barb, I am so sorry for your loss. Brad was full of life and did not deserve to leave this world the way he did. He will be missed but rest assure that we will see him again. God only give us the burden we can carry and now we can share the memories and carry him in our hearts.##imported-begin##Ariadne Howell##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 05:28 AM



“ I still can't believe this is all real. My deepest sympathy goes out to Barb, Evan and the family. Brad was such a fun, loving, energetic person. He could always make me laugh with his quick wit and clever comebacks. I truly loved him with all my heart and will always carry a piece of him with me until the day I too leave this earth. It's comforting to know that this isn't the end for Brad, he'll live on through all of our cherished memories and until its our time, he'll be waiting for us patiently to join him.##imported-begin##Tracy Fairfax##imported-end##

November 21, 2011 at 12:45 AM



“ Barb and Evan, I am so sorry for your loss, he was a dandy, When you have the time, I would like for you to come and see me, I have something for you, but take some time, I as you know had a loss, so I can say I know what is going through your heart.... if there is anything I can do, please let me know, I am so sorry, prayers are with all of you##imported-begin##Linda Hardesty##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 11:42 PM



“ *Barbara and family. My heart was broken to hear of the loss of your son and my dear friend and student, Brad. I cannot begin to tell you how special he has been to me over the last few years at Drury. A hard worker and good natured student, Brad worked so hard to achieve good grades and to learn new things. I will miss him so much.*

"Good night, sweet prince, and may flights of angels sing thee to they rest."##imported-begin##Luge Hardman##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 11:19 PM



“ *Evan and Barb you are in our thoughts and prayers. Evan, you know that I have been here and know exactly what you are both going through. We are here anytime day or night if you need us. If you need a shoulder or hand we will be there.*

We love you

Karen and Charlie##imported-begin##Karen and Charles McPeak##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 11:02 PM



“ Remember that we will be an ear to listen, a hand to hold, a heart that cares, and friends that will share your loss. With Love and Prayers for you and all your family!! May God give you the strength you need to get through this and to give you his comforting touch. I shall always remember the good times seeing Brad at Spur Auto Sales with his dog Jimmie spending time with his grandma and grandpa which I know he dearly loved. He will be greatly missed by many. We don't always understand God's plans for us but I do know God's plans are perfect. On November 18th he called another angel home with him.##imported-begin##Barbara & Mitchell Riggins##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 09:49 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss, i pray that god gives you peace and comfort in the days to come. Brad was a nice guy and he will be missed.##imported-begin##Ashley Mazza##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 09:34 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Brad was a wonderful young man who will truly be missed by so many. It has been great to get to know him again as an adult and a student at Drury. Always remember he is in your hearts and with you wherever you go. Love to you all.##imported-begin##Brian and Tammie Black##imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 09:29 PM



“ I know that there is nothing that can be said to lessen the pain. Evan and Barbara, please know that I am sending all of my prayers to you and your family during this difficult time. Stay strong and know that there are a lot of old friends sending their love to you!###imported-begin###Teresa "Gibson" Garner###imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 09:22 PM



“ To Brads Family and Friends
My heart goes out to All of you. You are All in my thoughts and prayers. Only God knows the answers. I pray that he will guide you thru your time of sorrow. Brad will always be with you !!!!!
With Love and Friendship
Karin Brickner and Family###imported-begin###Karin
Brickner###imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 09:22 PM



“ Barb, Evan & Jim, We cannot express to you how very sorry we are to hear of your loss, please know that you and your families are in our prayers and thoughts, I pray that God gives you all, his peace.
Sincerely, Roger & Ellen Rose###imported-begin###Roger & Ellen
Rose###imported-end##

November 20, 2011 at 06:38 PM



“ *Brad was too young for this... Thinking and praying for all who are hurting and missing him at this time. God Bless and comfort you. I have no words to properly express the sorrow this has left on all of us. Cherish all your wonderful memories, knowing he is in heaven looking down with that Smile.##imported-begin##Mary Haas##imported-end##*

November 20, 2011 at 05:41 PM