



## Gregory James Klein

August 25, 1969 - February 22, 2008

Greg Klein, 38, Bismarck, died February 22, 2008, at his home after a long illness due to an autoimmune disease. A funeral mass will be held at 12:00 noon Thursday at Church of Ascension, 1825 S. 3rd St., Bismarck, with Rev. David Wolf officiating. Burial will be held at St. Mary's Cemetery, Bismarck, at a later date. Visitation will be held from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm Wednesday at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, where a vigil service will be held at 7:00 pm. Greg was born on August 25, 1969, in Bismarck, ND, the son of Dan and Pat Wolf Klein. He was raised and attended schools in Bismarck and graduated from Bismarck High School in 1988. Greg had a love for music and was an excellent percussionist. He followed his heart and passion for music to Bellingham, WA, where he lived and played with bands in the Seattle area. Greg's illness curtailed and complicated his life. Hence, he was only able to complete two years of study at Bismarck State College and the University of ND. Prior to his illness he enjoyed fishing with his Grandpas, bird hunting with his dad, eating Mom and Grandma's food, playing basketball for Coach Miller, playing his drums, exercising and lifting weights and "hanging out" with his friends and older brother. Greg's wit and sense of humor were exceptional as was his sensitivity and compassion for others. Greg will be sadly missed by his parents, Pat and Dan Klein of Bismarck, ND; his brother, Steve of Eatontown, NJ; his grandparents, Katie and Dan Klein of Bismarck, ND; his aunt and uncles, Joan and Om Srivastava of Whitehouse Station, NJ, Denis and Sandy Wolf of Houston, TX, Bob and Cheryl Klein of

Fargo, ND, Jerry and Bev Klein of Fessenden, ND, and Al and Cathy Klein of Elwood, IN, many cousins, friends and his dear cat, Gracie. Greg was preceded in death by his grandparents, Fritz and Chris Wolf; his aunt, Brenda Klein; his cousin, Rob Klein, and his best friend, Tom Davis. Greg preferred all memorials be given to the Ruth Meier's Hospitality House.

# Tribute Wall

NJ

“ I am so sorry for the death of your son. I will pray for God's comfort and peace for you. No words can express...

Nikki Fallgatter Johnson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Gregory James Klein

Pamela J. Fuchs Wild - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ You're in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss.

Chuck, Linda, Nick & Kara Wolski - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Dear Dan & Pat, We are so very sorry for the loss of your son, Greg. Your family is in our prayers and thoughts. Deb & Jack

Jack Fay & Deborah Eberle Gabriel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ Mr. & Mrs. Klein - My condolences to you and your family on the loss of your son, Greg.

Stephanie Kleinjan - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Dan and Pat sorry to hear about Greg our thoughts and prayers go out to you

Keith Klein - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Sorry for your loss. Your in our thoughts and Prayers!

tami whitman - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Mr. and Mrs. KleinI am so very sorry to hear about the passing of Greg. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Kelly Schmidt Clay - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Dear Dan & Pat Klein Family: My deepest sympathy to all of you in the loss of your son,brother,grandson. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Al

Al Glaser - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My deepest condolences go out to Greg's family and all those who knew and loved him. I first met Greg in our High School Summer Biology class and we remained friends throughout the remainder of High School. Greg, I, and a couple of others ventured out to California in 1989 and had some fun in the sun. He moved back to Bismarck several months later and we gradually lost contact. I tried to call him whenever I made it back to Bismarck, and last spoke to him around our 10 year class reunion. We talked briefly on the phone, but were, regrettably, unable to meet up. He always made me laugh, and I will never forget his goofy sense of humor and kind demeanor. Greg also left me with so many great memories from our various High School Band Tours. I know I speak for many others when I say Greg will be greatly missed.Sincerely,Ryan Hays

Ryan Hays - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TI

“ Dear Klein family, I went to high school with Greg and Mr. Klein was my Chemistry teacher. You were both such great people and I have to admit that your class was one of my favorites! When I think of Greg, I see him always with a big smile. May your wonderful memories of Greg help you get through this sad time. Sincerely, Tricia Iten-Maly

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**Tricia Iten-Maly** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Greg. He was a great friend that I remember in High School. I sat by him alphabetically because of our last names and remember laughing during graduation because we hardly knew half the people coming up for their diplomas. He made that day a fun one, even though we were melting from the heat. He will be missed!!

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**Tracy Lipp Klein** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ My heartfelt thoughts and condolences to the Klein family. Greg was a lot of fun to be around and we shared many memories growing up in Bismarck. I vividly remember playing one-on-one basketball on a nerf hoop in the Klein family basement and in the driveway growing up as youngsters. I regret not staying in touch with Greg over the years and wish the Klein family the very best in dealing with this loss. Greg will certainly be missed by all of those he touched with his life.

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**Troy Hartmann** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Dan and Pat, It was always a great pleasure to run into Greg, play golf back in the day, or hang out with him and his friends in Bismarck. We had many laughs from his abilities to tell stories or just from his quick wit. I feel for you, the extended family, and all his friends in the passing of Greg as I reflect on my own brother's passing almost two years ago to the day. May your faith, friends, and family give you the peace and compassion in such trying times. Sincerely, Troy Goetz

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**Troy Goetz** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WE

“ Dan, Pat & family, We can not begin to express our sympathy for you at the loss of Greg. Our prayers & thoughts are with you today and every day. Love Wilfred & Helen

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**Wilfred & Helen Eberle** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Gregory James Klein

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**Miller, Gary WCHSC** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Greg, We, knew you through your mother and father, who spoke highly of your abilities. You now live without pain -- waiting for your mother, father, close relatives, and your closest friends to join you in the dance of your music.....!

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**Dewey & Cindy Berger** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SV

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You have our deepest sympathy. May God be with you & lead you to peace.

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**Sam Mitzel & Marie Vogel** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ So very sorry to hear about the loss of your son Greg. I wish for your comfort and peace in this time of sorrow.

Kimberly Mayher - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ We are all so sorry to hear of Greg's passing. Greg was one of those very special people that touched everyone around him. He will be remembered fondly and his family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Karla Miller-Iverson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Dan and family, My heart goes out to you! You will be in our family prayers! Fred Moesler and family

Fred Moesler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Oh how sad I am to hear this news. I was a friend of Greg's in highschool. We sat next to one another in English and he always made me laugh. It made the class tolerable. Anyway, he won a silly bet and I owed him a Taco Johns meal. I occasionally run into him throughout the years and I always promised I would make good on my promise. I am so saddened that I will never be able to buy him that damn meal now. I am glad that I got to see him a couple months ago in Target. I was so happy to see him smile again. I am comforted in knowing that he is free from his illness now. My heart and prayers are with you. And to your family, I'm deepy sorry for your loss. He was a very dear person and will be missed. Cheri

Cheri Wasness Brynjolfson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My love and sympathy to you on the death of Greg, your son and grandson. I have known your wonderful family for a long long time. I certainly remember Fritz and Chris Wolf also. They make me remember the UNIQUE tree in the back yard. God bless you as you put to rest Greg. Sister Ivo Schoch

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**Sister Ivo schoch** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dan, Pat and Steve - I am so sorry for your loss. I have not seen Greg for years, but remember as kids how we use to run around the neighborhood. There was one memory of Greg that I will never forget. As our family was watching tv in our living room, Greg came running in through the front door yelling "Mom" only to be stopped in his tracks, realizing he had run into the wrong house. It is something we still have to laugh about but also was a nice memory of Greg that I will never forget. My mother Bernice, also ran into Greg and Pat a couple of years ago, and she said Greg gave her a big hug, she thought that was so nice. Again, our deepest sympathy to your family. Jodi Fuchs Knudson

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**JODI FUCHS KNUDSON** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ So sorry to hear of Greg's passing. He will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time.

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**Cindy Sorenson** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ I remember when Greg learned from his dad how to set his drum sticks on fire. Wow! How cool is that! I also remember Greg as being one of the nicest guys in our graduating class. To everyone whose memory holds so much more, you are in my prayers. I'm sure he will be missed very much.

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**Paul Kadrmas** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ To my favorite teacher, 6.02 x 10 23rd Mr. and Mrs. Klein, I am so sorry for your loss. Greg was in the class ahead of me. I remember him always with a beautiful smile on his face. He was also very kind. I just wanted to let you know that I am thinking of your family and will keep all of you in my prayers. With deepest sympathy, Leslie Linssen Vander Kooy

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**Leslie Linssen Vander Kooy** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Dear Greg, You are my beautiful son and I love you with all my heart. We had so many "hopes and dreams" for you. Your illness, sadly, devastated your life so hope you are "walking with Jesus" and are finally at peace. I Love you Greger. Your dad

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**Dan Klein** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ I am so so sorry for your lost Mrs.Klein. I was one of your third grade students from 2005-2006 you were the best teacher!!!! I am sorry for your lost again!!!! My mom knew your son she said he was pretty popular back then. She says she is sorry for your lost to!!!! Your son knew my mom really well to she said he is a nice man!!!!!! Well I still am sorry for your lost again!!!!!! I remember one day when he came in and was talking to the class and saying that you should never take drugs and then he gave us some treats and he was really nice!!!!!! Well sorry for lost again!!!

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**Aundrea** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dan and Pat,It is not natural for parents to have to bury their children. I am deeply sorry for the loss of your son, Greg.Your son, Greg, was the same age as our son, Deon, whom we lost to cancer 14 years ago. He was 24 when he lost his battle to cancer.You will always remember the fun times you had with your son as time helps you heal from the loss of your beloved son.It will be all the good times that will help you through the grieving process. You will heal, believe me, you will heal from this loss but you will never forget....which we shouldn't.I will keep you and your son in my daily prayers and ask our God to give you the strength through this tough time.Dan, please give my regards to your parents. It is also difficult for grandparents.

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**Bill Schumacher** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I was out of town this week and just heard about Greg upon my return. Unfortunately, Greg and I didn't stay in touch after high school, but I have plenty of great memories from Wachter jazz band days with him. And who can forget their first prom? :o Mr. and Mrs. Klein, I am sorry that you've lost Greg at such a young age and pray that you will find comfort in all of your special memories of him.

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**Michelle Thompson Missy Miller** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ I will always rememeber working out at 3rd street Gym, working at the gas station on 3rd street, singing in the band in Seattle with Greg as the drummer, and just hanging out. Greg was one of my best friends. I will never forget him. Todd

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**Todd Glass** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ My condolences on the passing of Greg! My prayers are with you all and that you find strength and comfort during this difficult time. When I think of Greg, a smile comes on my face as I remember his great smile and wonderful personality.

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**Jenelle Muri** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ To the Klein families, we are sorry to hear about Greg. I know you will all miss him. Our prayers are with you all. Richard, Janell and Richie

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**Richard, Janell and Richie Mitzel** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Dan, Pat and Family: I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that God has now provided a permanent home for Greg; one where there is no more pain. I remember the days when your boys and Bob and Cheryl's boys would be having a grand time together, whether it be at a baseball game or having a snowball fight. One day all of us will hear that joyful noise again; we just have to wait a little longer. I believe that time heals all wounds. Although it may not seem like it now, things will get better. Until, then please take good care of yourselves and each other.

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**Keith Schweigert** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Dear Klein Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. I will always remember Greg for the athlete, musician and all around good guy he was.

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**Lance C. Potter** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ I am deeply saddened to hear the news about Greg. Like many others, I met Greg in High School and became friends with him immediately. His humor was refreshing as was his kindness. He always had a smile on his face that would light up a room. Even though we have not talked to each other in years, I always considered Greg a true friend. May happy memories help your family through this difficult time. Thank you for being such a great friend! Rest in peace Greg!

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**Tracy Hinsz** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ To the Klein Family,How sorry I am about the loss of your son whom I knew from playing in the BHS concert band. He was a great drummer! Now he can talk "music" with our former band instructor, Mr. Knnak Spelling ?in heaven while looking down upon you all! You'll be in my prayers! Take Care and God Bless You!

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**Antoinette Gross Heier** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Pat, Dan & Family,We are so sorry to hear of this sad news. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Our Condolences and sympathy.Love,Shirley, Bob and Stephanie

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**Shirely and Bob Schumacher** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Mr. and Mrs. Klein and family - I am so sorry for your loss. Greg was a great friend all through high school, and Mr. Klein, you were a great chemistry teacher. My best memories of Greg are of him working out at Third Street Gym and us going to our senior prom together. That was definately the highlight of my senior year! Greg was a wonderful person that will be greatly missed by many people. My prayers are with your family.

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**Suzy Neuens Saunders** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Pat and Dan, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I met Greg after he returned from California. He had a unique and understated sense of humor and a zest for adventure. I remember many adventures including mountain biking, playing frisbe golf, white water kayaking, searching numerous stores for the best price on almond butter, and of course, listening to bands at the local night clubs from Tacoma to Bellingham, WA. As parents, you two never questioned or judged, but accepted and loved unconditionally. Greg and your family has been to hell and back more than your fair share. I pray that peace will find its way to you. I hope the happy memories will surface first. I am thankful to have been welcomed by your family. And, ultimately, I am grateful to have known Greg. He has left a footprint on my life. His presence on earth will be missed.

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**Michelle Tjaden Oltman** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ My deepest sympathies to the Klein family on the loss of Greg. I was shocked and saddened to hear this news. I got to know Greg junior year when he was on newspaper staff and I was on yearbook staff. Greg was one of the nicest guys in our graduating class. He touched many lives with his involvement in a variety of activities - sports, music, journalism, student government, etc., as well as his participation in some very funny pep rally skits! I am keeping Greg's family and those who were close to him in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

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**Lisa Bertsch Perkins** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ To Klein' family and friends, you are in our thoughts and prayers during this very sad time.

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**Joe Meide** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *It's such a comfort to learn how one life can touch so many others. May you find peace knowing the mention of Greg's name brings smiles to countless friends.*

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**Pamela Bauer Bosh** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *I'm very sorry to hear about Greg's passing. Though I lost touch with him after my first year of college, I will always remember him as an excellent person and a great friend.*

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**Matthew Becker** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ *Dan & Pat: May the Lord comfort you and your family. Our prayers and thought are with you. God Bless*

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**Ed & Alice Rypkema Wolf** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ *My sincere condolences to your family. Greg's smile was contagious and his quick wit and sense of humor sure made Band Tour much more interesting! My thoughts and prayers go out to you all.*

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**Heidi Moesler-Guetzkow** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *I only met Greg a few times, he was very friendly and genuine. I wish I had known him better, my sympathies to the family for your loss. Jason Rasset*

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**Jason Rasset** - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM