



## Brett Richard Candela

August 1, 1983 - January 2, 2016

Brett Richard Candela, age 32, passed suddenly of an unexpected illness, on Saturday, January 2nd, 2016 at Riverside Hospital with his loving family and friends by his side. Let us celebrate his joyous life. He was born August 1st, 1983 in Columbus, Ohio to Dr. Richard and Sandy Candela. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Jerry and Dora Candela; grandfather Stephen Komara; uncle Thomas Candela; aunt Patricia Sposito and aunt Marlene Komara. He is survived by his parents, Richard and Sandy Candela; sisters, Nicole Candela and Melissa Candela-Broom; nephew, Jared Candela; brother in law, Michael J. Broom; fiancé, Aubrey Beatrice Agnew and their expected son; Grandmother Ruth Komara, Uncle Bob Komara and family; Aunt Pat and Uncle Bill Kochenour and family; Aunt Lisa and Uncle Steve Komara and family; Aunt Sue and Uncle Tom Komara and family; Aunt Carol Catley and family; Aunt Kim Komara; many extended family members and friends. Brett was a devoted son, brother, uncle, fiancé, father, cousin, friend, and coach. He was a graduate of The Wellington School, Class of 2002, where he excelled at sports, making everyone laugh, and forming friendships that lasted throughout his life. Additionally, he attended Columbus State Community College. He was an avid athlete and enjoyed all sports. During his high school Lacrosse career, his freshman year he was named Second Team All Ohio and named First Team All Ohio the following three years. He was 9th in The Wellington School's career Lacrosse scoring list. He enjoyed coaching and refereeing Lacrosse. He was most known for his love of his family, especially

his nephew Jared, friends and life. His humor, pride, and enduring loyalty will always be remembered and cherished. He displayed an extraordinary gift, which allowed him to positively impact the lives of many children he mentored. He showed compassion to all, especially the animals he loved and spent time building a home with Habitat for Humanity in Argentina. He proposed to his great love, Aubrey "Betty" Agnew on Christmas Day, 2015 and was overjoyed for the upcoming birth of their son in May. As the true hero and honorable man he was, he selflessly donated his organs to save the lives of others. The family would like to thank the staff of Riverside Hospital for their compassionate care and dedication during his final days. Family will receive friends from 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016 at ST. BRIGID OF KILDARE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin, Ohio 43017 where Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 12:00 NOON with The Reverend Kevin Kavanagh, Celebrant. If they choose, friends may make memorial contributions to: Capital Area Humane Society, 3015 Scioto Darby Executive Court, Hilliard, OH 43026 [www.cahs-pets.org](http://www.cahs-pets.org), The Childhood League, 670 South 18th Street, Columbus, OH 43205 [www.childhoodleague.org](http://www.childhoodleague.org) or Ohio Health Hospice, 800 McConnell Drive, Columbus, OH 43214 [www.ohiohealth.com/hospice](http://www.ohiohealth.com/hospice). The Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 W. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065 (614)-792-1471 assisted the family. Please visit [www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com) to send condolences to the Candela Family.

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brett Richard Candela*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Dear Dr Candela and Sandy,  
" I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I cannot imagine what you must  
be going through. My thoughts and prayers are with you!*

*Lori Spies*

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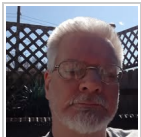
**Lori Spies** - January 07, 2016 at 12:10 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. So many great times and memories  
together over the years. Crazy fun in Steamboat! My love and  
prayers are with you. Jamey*

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**Jamey Zborowski** - January 06, 2016 at 01:02 PM



“ *Brett was just a year older than our youngest. I can't imagine what  
you are going thru. I worked with him at Ometek. I only knew him for  
a short time. He was a great guy. The world would be a better place  
if it were filled with more people like him.*

*Sincerely, James Mertens*

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**James Mertens** - January 06, 2016 at 10:47 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Brett Richard Candela.*



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January 06, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ *Hugs To You! Bill and Kay Kose purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Brett Richard Candela.*



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**Hugs To You! Bill and Kay Kose** - January 05, 2016 at 03:16 PM



“ *Dear Dick and Sandy,*

*I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Brett's passing. I'm sure the same will be true of many of the old Harbor gang. Please know that the thoughts and prayers of my family are with you and your family at this time.*

*Thad Hague and Family*

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**Thad Hague** - January 05, 2016 at 03:10 PM

FB

“ *From all of us at Morris Builders purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Brett Richard Candela.*



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**From all of us at Morris Builders** - January 05, 2016 at 02:31 PM

LM

“ *Dear Richard and Sandy, Nichole, Missy and family, words cannot express the deep sorrow we share with you with the sudden death of Brett. You are all in our prayers. May all of the dear and loving memories that you have of Brett bring you peace as you grieve. Eternal rest grant unto Brett O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May Brett's soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. With Love, Larry, Linda and Tommy Murcko*

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**Linda and Larry Murcko** - January 05, 2016 at 01:35 PM

SK

“ *Sandy and Dick,  
Bob and I were so shocked and stunned to hear this tragic news.  
Please accept our sincere condolences . Bob and Sheila Klein*

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**sheila klein** - January 05, 2016 at 01:08 PM

BF

“ *Richard, Sandy and the entire Candela family-  
So saddened to hear of Brett's passing and I cannot imagine the  
grief you have.  
May God hold you all close during this time and may you hold  
special memories in your heart.  
With prayers and love,  
Barb Falter*

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**Barbara Falter** - January 05, 2016 at 11:35 AM

RZ

“ *Richard Zborowski purchased the Beautiful in Blue  
for the family of Brett Richard Candela.*



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**Richard Zborowski** - January 05, 2016 at 11:28 AM

RC

“ *Rick, Susan and Nicki Crossland purchased the  
Fruits and Blooms Basket for the family of Brett  
Richard Candela.*



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**Rick, Susan and Nicki Crossland** - January 05, 2016 at 09:19 AM

SM

“ *Sandy & Dick, words can not express my sadness when I heard of Brett's passing. I immediate had wonderful memories of living in Shire Cove, and watching Brett, Nicole, Melissa and Stefan play, laugh and having so much fun in our back yards. Brett was so full of life and joy. I am so happy that he will still be here for you and your family through his child that will be born.*

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**Suzi McVoy** - January 05, 2016 at 08:37 AM

SC

“ *Sandy, Dick, Nicole and Missy, Words cannot express the profound sadness we feel at the passing of Brett. He lit up a room with his smile and larger than life personality. Please know that you and Brett are in our prayers. May he rest in peace in the arms of the Lord and may the Lord comfort you and your family. With love and sympathy, the Crossland Family, Rick, Susan and Nicki.*

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**Susan Crossland** - January 05, 2016 at 08:08 AM

TO

“ *To the Candela family, I would just like to express my condolences on your loss. During this period of sorrow and grief, may the memories of the good times in the past permeate thru and give you solace in the knowledge that your memories will always keep him with you. Take care.*

*Tim Obarski*

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**tim obarski** - January 05, 2016 at 07:22 AM

AF

“ Dear family and friends. I am so deeply sorry to hear about your loss. Brett will be missed, but not forgotten because Jesus' words found at (John5:28,29) says there will be a resurrection. So what this mean is that Brett will be given a fresh new start with the prospect of living forever without sickness and death. (Rev. 21:4) I hope these promises found in the Bible bring comfort knowing that you have an opportunity to see him again to share more wonderful times together.

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**A caring friend** - January 05, 2016 at 05:23 AM

VI

“ Dear Sandy and Dick,  
My heart goes out you and your family. I so sorry to hear of the loss of Brett.  
Please know that God will keep you strong during this time of loss and continue to support you with your faith.  
Sincerely,  
Vickie Mickey

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**vickie** - January 04, 2016 at 10:48 PM

KM

“ To the Candela family I never met Brett, I just remember how you were there for the Morrow family when Mark passed away. I am his sister, your support was so needed and appreciated. I am so sorry for your loss, just know I am praying for you.

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**Karen McMackin** - January 04, 2016 at 05:58 PM

TK

“ Richard, Sandy and family we are so sorry for your loss. We never had the pleasure of meeting Brett, but heard wonderful stories about him from our son-in-law Alan Rill. He was a wonderful, fun-loving person who will be missed and remembered by many. Please know that your thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Tom and Evelyn Kaperak*

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**Tom & Evelyn Kaperak** - January 04, 2016 at 12:44 PM

MH

“ I am at a loss for words, but know that you and your family are in our thoughts, in our prayers and in our hearts. God bless you and your family.

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**Mark & Laura Hertenstein** - January 04, 2016 at 12:27 PM

DC

“ Jackie and I are deeply saddened by the news of Brett's death. Our thoughts and prayers are with Richard, Sandy, and the entire Candela family. Dennis Calnon

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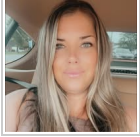
**Dennis Calnon** - January 04, 2016 at 12:05 PM

DR

“ The Carolinas Healthcare Behavioral Health Charlotte Call Center would like to extend it's heartfelt condolences to Melissa Candela-Broom and family. We are saddened by the news of the lost of your loved one. Please know that you and your family are in our thought and prayers. Matthews 5:4.

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**Desiree Rew** - January 04, 2016 at 10:57 AM



“ *At this time may the Lord comfort you and give you all strength. My thoughts and prayers are continually with you. -Sandy Hay*

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**Sandy Hay** - January 04, 2016 at 09:41 AM



“ *I am very saddened by the news of Brett's passing. You have my heartfelt sympathies. Thoughts are with all of you at durring this difficult time. -Keristin (Heifner) Schnurbusch*

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**Keristin Schnurbusch** - January 04, 2016 at 08:58 AM